

# BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD

April 18, 2023

**Location:** zoom.com

**Present:** Rev. Carrion, Kevin Kearns, Carlibi Rojas, Glenn Corwin

**Absent:** Dennis Sze, Milca Meyer, Aggie Kyerere

**The meeting was called to into session at 7:07pm**

**The minutes of last month's meeting were adopted unanimously by the Board.**

**Ms. Jackvony presented the Principal's Report**

*(Ms. Jimenez provided translation into Spanish)*

### **Enrollment**

Current Enrollment— 559 Total Students

Special Education – 123 students – 22%

ELL – 89 students – 16%

### **Attendance Rate**

March attendance rate for total enrollment – 92.2%

March attendance rate for Special Education Enrollment – 91.8%

### **Staff Updates**

- Released – Chef
- Hired – Jasmine Gordan - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Special Education Teacher for ELA & Social Studies
- Positions To Be Filled – (Interviews are taking place)
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Education Teacher
  - K-2 ELL Teacher
  - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Education Teacher (Math & Science)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math AIS Teacher

- SETSS Teacher

### **Academic Achievement Measures**

- Data Team meetings continue to take place to discuss strategies and interventions to be implemented to help meet the needs of the struggling students to move towards grade level proficiency.
- NYS 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade ELA Assessment will be administered on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

### **School Celebrations/Events**

- March 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> – Scholastic Book Fair
- March 16<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Conferences (86% of our families attended)
- March 17<sup>th</sup> – “Math Around the World” Math Day school-wide celebration organized by Ms. Arshravan and the math committee
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Parent Breakfast Club with Administration
- March 27<sup>th</sup> – Open House for Student Recruitment
- March 28<sup>th</sup> – Parent Workshop – Women’s Self-Defense Workshop
- March 30<sup>th</sup> – Parent Workshop, “Helping Your Child Succeed in Math,” facilitated by Ms. Arshravan
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> – 2023/2024 School Lottery
- April 4<sup>th</sup> – Last Day of Afterschool Tutoring
- April 5<sup>th</sup> – PTO Bake Sale and evening PTO meeting
- April 6<sup>th</sup> – April 14<sup>th</sup> – School Closed for Spring Break
- April 18<sup>th</sup> – Pep Rally (K, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students, as well as the BAOP teachers on the Pep Rally Committee, performed for the students in the testing grades)
  
- Rev. Carrion asked what the school was doing to effectively recruit for vacant positions including the Chef’s position
  
- Ms. Schiraldi said we were targeting staff of Catholic schools which are closing; also targeting local universities; online recruiting sites
  
- Rev. Carrion asked for the HR Director to report to the Board soon on recruitment strategies
  
- Rev. Carrion noted that some of the staff of Catholic schools may not have full qualifications and credentials – need to be aware
  
- Mr. Corwin suggested we include Charter School Job Fairs

- Rev. Carrion asked about our new strategies for assessment prep
- Ms. Schiraldi described our methodologies
- Ms. Jimenez described particular Ela strategies
- Ms. Giblin also described team assessment strategies

**Update from Mr. Parrino**

- Basketball season just ended – tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- Large school following
- New sport – coed soccer starts this week with Mr. Fernandez

**Executive Director Update – Mrs. Jackvony**

- Lottery: 53 available seats; 20 seats already committed
- Kindergarten – 6 registered, 31 additional accepted already
- Used centralized outreach team and telephone bank
  
- Took to streets on March 17 along 170<sup>th</sup> street – marketing outreach to community
- Went into each shop
- Disney trip May 15 – 19; 31 students so far
- Construction team meeting with Pillar to go over external design of new building- colors etc.

**Public Expressions:**

- None

**The Board Moved to Executive Session at 7:49pm**

**The Board exited Executive Session at 8:24pm.**

**The Board adjourned at 8:25pm.**