

# BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE

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

JANUARY 10, 2023

**Location:** Online via Zoom.com

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

**Excused:** Milca Meyer, Agatha Akyere, Dennis Sze

**Minutes:** Kevin Kearns called the meeting into session at 7:05 pm. The minutes of the prior meeting were unanimously approved and adopted by the Board.

### **Ms. Schiraldi delivered the Principal's Report:**

#### **Enrollment**

Current Enrollment— 560 Total Students

Special Education – 127 students – 22.6%

ELL – 85 students – 15.1%

#### **Attendance Rate**

December attendance rate for total enrollment – 89.7%

December attendance rate for Special Education Enrollment – 89.1%

#### **Staff Updates**

- Released
  - Kindergarten Teacher
  - Kindergarten TA
- Positions To Be Filled – (Interviews are taking place)
  - 2 - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Education Teachers
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math AIS Teacher

#### **Professional Development**

- Teachers have been receiving individual and grade level coaching in Math & ELA weekly from the coaches.
- Ms. Giblin has been meeting with the special education and general education co-teachers from the ICT classrooms twice a month for P.D. workshops.

### **Academic Achievement Measures**

- Data Teams continue to focus on the skills each grade level had identified as being most needed in both ELA and Math.
- Mid-Year Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessments began on January 3, 2023
- Mid-Year Math Readiness Assessment began January 10, 2023
- Mid-Year iReady Diagnostic had begun being administered.

### **Curriculum and Instruction**

- After school tutoring for K-8<sup>th</sup> grade students in ELA and Math will begin on January 18<sup>th</sup>. It will run from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday until April 4, 2023. We will have one class of approximately 20-25 students on each grade level. Students will be chosen by the grade level teachers.

### **School Celebrations/Events**

- December 21<sup>st</sup> – PTO Bake Sale during lunch periods
- December 22<sup>nd</sup> - Glee Club presented their Holiday Sing Along to all classes throughout the day, as well as a live streamed presentation to the residents of a local Nursing Home
- December 23<sup>rd</sup> - Half Day and start of Winter Break – School Closed December 26<sup>th</sup>-January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Update from Mr. Parrino** – Discussed the activities of the basketball team

### **Executive Director Update – Mrs. Jackvony**

- Discussed ongoing discussions regarding Renewal/Status of High School

### **Public Expressions:**

- 5 members of the teaching staff spoke publicly and gave their opinion regarding the current collective bargaining process.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm**

### **Enrollment**

Current Enrollment—589 Total Students

Special Education – 122 students – 20.7%

ELL – 76 students – 12.9%

### **Attendance Rate**

March Attendance Rate for Total Enrollment – 94.6 %

February Attendance Rate for Special Education Enrollment – 93.7 %

### **Staff Updates**

- Released –
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade Leave Replacement/K-2 ELL Teacher
- Hired –
  - Operations Associate - Ms. Valdez
- We are still looking to hire for the following positions -
  - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Special Ed. Teacher
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher
  - K-2 ELL Teacher

### **Academic Achievement Measures**

- NYS 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Math Assessments were administered on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>
- Teams of teachers, together with Ms. Schiraldi, Ms. Jackvony, Ms. Arshravan and Dr. Jane Spielman worked to score the NYS Math Assessments in grades 3-8 at the Marriott Hotel in the Bronx.

### **School Celebrations/Events**

- Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> grade Parent workshop on the H.S. Process
- Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report cards went home
- April 15<sup>th</sup> – April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Spring Break
- Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> – Parent Workshop – Building Positive Relationships with Your Child
- Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Parent Meeting on upcoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade activities
- Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> – Staff Appreciation Week

### **Authorizer Communications**

- May 6<sup>th</sup> – Pre-visit call ... Schiraldi, Jackvony and Parrino with Laurie Hazely.
- June 1<sup>st</sup> – Pre-renewal visit.

### **III. Assistant Principal Report**

- Mr. Parrino provided an update
- Recent increase in students testing positive for Covid
- Following DOE protocols; low staff transmission
- Girls volleyball team began season on Friday
- Board meeting will be held in person starting June 10<sup>th</sup>
- Board voted unanimously to meet June 7<sup>th</sup>

### **IV. Academic Director Report**

- Ms. Jackvony – Update on Renewal Process
- ELL % item of focus for renewal package
- Expectations for visit on June 1<sup>st</sup>
- ACR report due Friday
- Pre-K application; submitted budget; waiting for visit; 18 seats

### **V. Public Expressions**

- No public expressions offered

***The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:21pm***

***The Board returned to Regular Session at 8:20pm***

***The Board adjourned the Regular Session at 8:21pm***