

**BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD
December 14, 2021**

Location: Online via Zoom.com

Present: Rev. Dr. Michael Carrion, Carlibi Rojas, Agatha Akyere, Kevin Kearns and Dennis Sze

Excused: Milca Meyer

Minutes: Rev. Dr. Michael Carrion called the meeting into session at 7:08 pm

I The minutes of the Board meeting held in November 2021 were adopted by the board.

II. Principal Schiraldi presented the School Leader's Report:

Attendance

- Total: 92.39%; SPED: 91.93%

Enrollment

School Enrollment (as of October 2021)		
Enrollment	Total	% of total
All Students	592	N/A
Special Education	120	20.2%
English Language Learners	70	11.8%

Staff Updates/Changes

New Operations Associate hired: Maritza Ponce; already ATS proficient

Staff Development

- On Friday, December 3rd, the staff received a half day of professional development. (2 sessions)
 - iReady – Monitoring Personalized Instruction and Engagement Through Data Chats
 - Second Step (SEL Program) Presented by Ms. Osias and Ms. Morales
- Teachers have been receiving individual and grade level coaching in Math, ELA, Science and Social Studies weekly from the coaches

Curriculum and Instruction

- Morning tutoring has begun. AIS and ELL teachers are working with small groups of students during breakfast from 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
- Afterschool tutoring will begin on January 19th. It will run from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday. We will have one class of approximately 20 students on each grade level. Students will be chosen by the grade level teachers.

Academic Achievement Measures

- Coaches created an iReady schoolwide challenge as an incentive. The homeroom class on each grade band that completed the most iReady lessons in a 4-week period won an ice cream sundae party.
- Data Teams continue to focus on the skills each grade has identified as being most needed in ELA and Math.
- Mid-Year assessments in ELA and Math are scheduled to begin on January 3, 2022

Community Outreach

Our committee, led by Ms. Lamar, Ms. Murphy, and Ms. Hernandez, worked very hard planning events to help our families and the community.

- The committee collected nonperishable food donations from staff and students. These donations were picked up by City Harvest, the largest food rescue organization helping to feed New Yorkers who are struggling to put food their tables. As a school, we donated 1500 pounds of nonperishable food.
- The Thanksgiving food lottery, which was funded by staff members and business donations, provided 30 winning families with the items to make a plentiful Thanksgiving Dinner
- The annual Giving Tree for the holidays is in full swing. 76 staff members donated gifts to be given to 108 students that were nominated by teachers and staff.

Covid-19 Safety Measures – Update from Mr. Parrino

- Weekly Student Covid testing
- Weekly Staff Covid Testing
- Student on-site vaccinations

Board moved to Executive Session at 7:40.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05

V. Business Office Report

- None at this time

VI. Executive Directors Report

- PreK application submitted
- Viability assessment in progress
 - Department inquiries are being funneled to complete the assessment
 - 11/12 - Zoom call to provide visual classroom information to complete the assessment
- Outreach to Q about different locations he has available with the proper space BAOP require
- Board: How many square ft per class are we looking for? 540 Sq ft each classroom(~5000 total) - Targeting 8 classes

VII. Unfinished Business

- N/A

VIII. Public Expressions

- None at this time

Board President made a motion to move to executive session and seconded by Kevin Kearns at 7:27 PM.