Bronx Global Learning Institute for Girls Charter School
The Shirley Rodriguez-Remeneski School
"Where Every Girl Is a Leader!"

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, February 18, 2026
Time: 5:30 PM
Location: Virtual via Zoom
Notetaker: Laura Paulino, Executive Assistant

BOT Members Present:
Victoria Jenn Rodriguez, Board Chair, Millie Carrasquillo, Treasurer, and Alexandra De Leon

BGLIG Staff Present: Kevin Morris, Interim Executive Director

Board Member Absent: Carla Anderson (excused absence), Shermira Ellison (excused absence), and Dina Velez (excused absence)

I. Welcome & Opening Remarks

*The meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM by Board Chair Victoria Jenn Rodriguez.
*Quorum confirmed by Millie Carrasquillo.

II. Roll Call by Millie Carrasquillo

III. Interim Executive Director's Report < Kevin Morris >

- **BGLIG Community Happenings:** Recent highlights included a Juilliard-led orchestra workshop that provided students with advanced music instruction and exposure to audition-based enrichment opportunities. The school also hosted "Pancakes with Parents," where families discussed academic performance and literacy support. Upcoming events include the Black History Month Showcase and scheduled visits from external partners.

- **Current Enrollment & Outreach Efforts:** Enrollment remains stable at 341 students, with 133 applications received for the upcoming school year. Recruitment efforts continue through open houses, participation in the Bronx Charter School Fair, and community outreach with an external enrollment partner. Student attrition has primarily been due to family relocation, with new enrollments occurring largely in middle school grades.

- **Staff Highlights:** A new Director of Operations has officially joined the school, bringing extensive operational experience. A new middle school social studies teacher has also been onboarded. Ongoing staff recognition efforts continue to support morale and instructional consistency.

- **Academic Updates:** Quarter 2 internal assessment data was reviewed. English Language Arts proficiency increased from Quarter 1 to Quarter 2, while math showed modest overall growth. Stronger gains were observed in grades 3–5, with more moderate progress in middle school. Performance gaps between general education students and SPED populations were discussed, with targeted supports planned for Quarter 3 to address these areas.

- **Finance & Fundraising Updates:** Discussions included ongoing engagement with external partners and continued exploration of funding opportunities to support programmatic and operational priorities.

- **Facilities & Strategic Planning Updates:** Continued facilities planning efforts remain underway.

IV. Committee Reports:

Academic Committee Report < Victoria Jenn Rodriguez, Board Chair >

The Academic Committee discussed instructional performance trends, support for special populations, and continued strengthening of key academic programs to ensure alignment with schoolwide goals.

Finance Committee Report < Millie Carrasquillo, Treasurer >

The Finance Committee reviewed current budget performance and ongoing financial planning efforts to support long-term sustainability.

PTO Report < Tabled >

- The PTO report was tabled due to the PTO President's medical absence. Continued positive family engagement and collaboration were acknowledged.

V. Board Matters < Victoria Jenn Rodriguez, Board Chair >

- **Next BOT Meeting:** The next Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, at 5:30 PM.
- **Board Appreciation & Visit Friday, Mar 27, 2026:** The upcoming Board visit to BGLIG on Friday, March 27th, was discussed, including opportunities for Trustees to engage with staff and students as part of the school's Board appreciation activities.

VI. Public Comment

- No public comments were received during this meeting.

VII. Motions

- ❖ Motion to approve January 2026 Board Meeting Minutes (all meetings held during January) — motion made by Victoria Jenn Rodriguez.
    - ❖ Seconded by Millie Carrasquillo
    - ❖ The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Executive Session

Victoria Jenn Rodriguez made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a personnel update. Millie Carrasquillo seconds. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously at 6:20 PM.

- ❖ Motion to remove Dina Velez and Raven Obas as authorized signatories on the school's investment account at JPMorgan Chase and replace them with Kevin Morris (Executive Director) and Victoria Jenn Rodriguez (Board Chair) — motion made by Millie Carrasquillo.
    - ❖ Seconded by Alexandra De Leon.
    - ❖ The motion passed unanimously.

Victoria Jenn Rodriguez made a motion to exit Executive Session. Seconded by Millie Carrasquillo. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously at 7:29 PM.

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:30 PM made by Victoria Jenn Rodriguez, seconded by Millie Carrasquillo. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Board Meeting will be held: Wednesday, Mar 18, 2026 (5:30 - 7:00 PM)