BGLIG

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

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MINUTES
September 11, 2024
Board of Trustees Meeting

*All items on the agenda are subject to a vote
Location: Virtual via Zoom Meeting
Time: 5:30 - 6:30 PM EST

Board Members Present: Carla Anderson, Dina Velez, Cindy Truong, Aurora Brice, and Victoria Jenn Rodriguez

Board Members Absent:

BGLIG Staff: Raven Obas and Laura Paulino

I. Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Dina brought the meeting to order at 5:50 pm

II. Roll Call - Dina Velez

III. Executive Director Report - Raven Obas: Presentation

- **First Week of School:**
  - K-2nd began school first on Wednesday, Sep 4, 2024
  - All grades started school on Thursday, September 5, 2024
  - The school and staff theme this year is Raising the bar
- **Student Enrollment & Recruitment**
  - Current students enrolled at BGLIG are 314
  - BGLIG would like to hit 320 students enrolled in the budget deficit will be offset
  - Underdog (Recruitment tactic)
    - Partnerships with Parent Coordinators to streamline communication
    - Still a subset of families in the process of submitting applications
    - Canvassing: In-person outreach to community programs
    - Digital Advertising on Facebook and Instagram

- **Staff 1:1s**
    - The school community thrives as a close-knit team and family in an all-girls environment where the supportive administration and ongoing UFT negotiations present valuable growth opportunities.
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- **Financial Plan Investment Ideas**
    - Investment ideas (1-2 years vs. 5 years)
    - Several Ideas to target Financial Ideas, e.g., return BGLIG to break-even budget, Idea #2 professional development and idea 3: International Education opportunities: Travel opportunities (open up to 7th grade as well)
        - Exchange program (Penpals): Finding a partner school that matches our philosophy (Bank Street College School Grassroots)
    - State testing: Still pending.
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IV. BOT Co-President Update - Reminder Tugboat Services (September BOT Development)

- Paul O'Neil will review and update the School Policy/scenarios.

V. Academic Committee Report - Carla

- Discussed on Raven going in classrooms for Walkthroughs

VI. Finance Committee Report - Co-Chair - Cindy/Secretary - Victoria/Treasure - Aurora

- Look into real estate for a potential new building.

VII. UFT Update - Dina

- Resolving the salary scale for teachers is promising. A conversation will take place in October.

VII. Motions to approve:

1. Motion to approve August 14 Board Meeting Minutes made by Dina. Cindy Truong seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.

VIII. Public Comment:

1. No public participation.

IX. Executive Session:

1. No executive session.

X. Closing Meeting:

- Motion to end Board Meeting made by Dina at 6:35 pm, Carla seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.

The next BOT Meeting will take place Wednesday, Oct 9, 2024, at 5:30 PM EDT