



TNAACS Board Meeting  
Tuesday April 25, 2017  
9301 Avenue B, Brooklyn, NY 11236  
Draft Minutes

Meeting ran from 6:00 – 7:15 PM

In attendance were Board Members: Mac McDonald, John Jangl, Kevin Monroe and Lorraine Scorsone

Also in attendance were: Lisa Silva, Matthew Harrington and Shimon Waronker  
Dini Gourarie took Minutes

1. Matthew Harrington shared the Monthly Financial Report
  - (a) Net projected surplus (after depreciation) estimate is \$333,847
  - (b) Current student enrollment = 318 (budget 325).
  - (c) Preliminary budget work occurring this week. Looking to cut personnel expenses and hopefully present draft budget to the Board in May. The school is considering modifications to the pay scale. This information will be presented and reviewed by the board prior to the budget being approved.
  - (d) MMB and CSBM has scheduled the Interim audit for 6/17 and year-end for 9/11. Matthew Harrington will be working with CSBM and MMB to ensure that the audit goes smoothly.
  
2. Lisa Silva shared general school updates
  - (a) The State Testing updates
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students have completed the State ELA exam – TNAACS has signed-on with the NYC Charter Center Consortium Testing and have sent teachers to score as part of the program
    - Math test scheduled for next week (week of 5/1) and Math test prep is ongoing in both after-school and during the day.
    - NYSESLAT, prepping the fourth graders for upcoming Science exam
  - (b) Marketing Plan and recruitment updates
    - Teacher recruitment for: Line Teacher, Master Teacher, Dean of Students, Music/Art (Cluster) Teachers, Intervention Specialist, SETTS Teacher. Several new positions are being recruited for in order to get line teachers additional “prep” periods and also to add needed services to the school
  - (c) Student Recruitment the lottery was completed on 4/4/17 by Matthew Harrington and Lisa Silva. Dini Gourarie from TNAI was the 3<sup>rd</sup> party observer. 534 students were included in the lottery and 139 students were accepted from K-5. Students who were accepted have until 5/5 to complete registration paperwork and then the wait list opens on 5/5/17.
    - (i) 16 students have completed registration paperwork to date
  - (d) Miscellaneous School Updates

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Matthew Harrington

- The first Hiring Day is scheduled for Wednesday 4/26/17 – 6 teacher candidates have been invited to the event. The next hiring date is scheduled for 5/24/17
- Chancellor Carmen Farina visited on 4/20/17 to check in on the co-location. She's pleased by the Charter/DOE collaboration and was happy to hear that TNAACS has installed communal basketball hoops in the playground and also has invited PS 233 teachers to attend Teacher's College Professional Development days with TNAACS staff, and looks forward to more ways the schools can share space and activities.
- The NYSED Charter Renewal application is coming due. TNAACS will be partnering with consultant for Charter Renewal application
- Matthew Harrington and Francesco Margiotta in the operations department have been soliciting bids to replace the broken window shades at the school. Three vendors have submitted proposals and operations will be reviewing with Lisa Silva in the coming weeks

#### 4. Decision

- A decision was made to replace basketball hoops in gymnasium (TNAACS purchased for use of both schools) and to replace window shades in whole school we occupy. Kevin Monroe moved to approve, seconded by Lorraine Scorsone. The vote was unanimous in favor of approving the projects

John Jangl made a motion to adjourn. Kevin Monroe seconded the motion.