



# The New American Academy Charter School

## Minutes

### TNAACS Board of Directors Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday February 7, 2018 at 6:00 PM

#### **Location**

9301 Avenue B

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#### **Directors Present**

E. DeAngelis, F. Monrose, K. Monrose

#### **Directors Absent**

V. McDonald

#### **Guests Present**

L. Parquette Silva, L. Scorsone

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

L. Parquette Silva called a meeting of the board of directors of The New American Academy Charter School to order on Wednesday Feb 7, 2018 @ 6:00 PM at 9301 Avenue B.

#### **C. Approve Minutes**

### **II. Finance**

#### **A. Monthly Financial Report**

Lisa reviewed the numbers in each grade and now they are fairly close to cap of 370. With the increase in special education students, there is an increase in revenue.

Lisa also stated that they now have 400 applications and also that Citizens of the World charter school is closing. They have asked for a private tour for their families who are in search of a new school next year. They will do a private tour and one additional tour. When they over tour, they have a smaller number of people on each tour.

Keven spoke about how when he toured another school, he needed to do it on line. Lisa liked the idea and said she would reach out to the school and ask them about it. Brooklyn Urban Garden is the school that does the register on line for the tour and that the event appears on your google calendar. Lisa will reach out to the principal.

To summarize TNAACS is stable in terms of numbers and finance.

### **III. Governance**

#### **A. Board on Track Update**

Lisa reported that a few people still need to finish their skills survey. A board member recommendation will go to see the school and then perhaps that person will become a board member. Lisa thanked everyone who has remained loyal to the board.

### **IV. Other Business**

#### **A. Test Preparation**

Lisa reported that Saturday Academy is up and running. There are 48 students who attend. Lisa does arrival and dismissal and therefore pays only for the hour of instruction. Lisa has a school aide to support dismissal. There have been very few absences. Only one student has been replaced for attendance.

They did a mock ELA and Math for testing conditions and proctors for Grades 3 and 4. Grade 5 did not do the ELA but did do a Math Mock exam. The data tells you which types of questions, each grade did well and not well on. Lisa formulated a mock exam based on this data, especially focused on the test questions they are not doing well on for both ELA and Math.

When you get the data, you don't see their work or the incorrect answers they chose. Through giving the mock exam, the teachers have identified trends in order to guide instruction in classrooms, small group intervention, and Saturday prep.

The mock exam went well and gave information about logistics for the day of the test - for example proctors and rooms and two students who have scribes.

#### **B. Next Jump Leadership Academy**

Lisa returned to JUMP with several teachers who did not attend previously attended with her. It was a very big group of educators. They broke them up into a group of 5 for a task in the same way that TNAA does the hiring process. Looked at what we do really well and what need help with.

Revenue side and the health and culture side.

There was anonymous feedback. Some was helpful and some was brutal.

Lisa reported about giving weekly shoutouts.

Charlie said that TNAACS is invited back each year. There are people who work with Charlie and who may also be able to work on the board.

Lisa is going to go to their super Saturday on March 10. It is similar to our hiring process.

**C. Norovirus**

The norovirus, or stomach flu, is in the building. About 8 children were sent home yesterday, 4 today. Now several teachers are sick. The custodial staff was notified. They have been insuring that the bathrooms are kept clean. Teachers are wiping down surfaces and spraying soft surfaces, disinfecting doorknobs, no hand to hand contact. It appears to be under control. Parents were notified. Told that they need to be kept home for 24 hours fever free.

**D. Hiring Fair**

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. DeAngelis

Meeting was adjourned at 6:36 PM.

E. DeAngelis made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

K. Monroe seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.