

Mariana Bracetti Academy Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting
6:00 PM April 5, 2017
1840 Torresdale Avenue – Philadelphia, PA 19124

Present: Arlene Holtz, Tracy-Elizabeth Clay (phone), Jorge Santiago, Tara Smith (phone), Carrie Nase-Poust (phone)

Not Present: Jenee Chizick, Carmen Cruz, Tara Buckley

Executive Session was held at 5:30 PM to discuss a legal matter.

Arlene Holtz calls the meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

I. Routine Business

a. Approval of 3/1/2017 Minutes

Tara Smith motions to approve the 3/1/2017 minutes. *Jorge Santiago seconds the motion. All vote in favor, and the motion carries.*

Motion: Tara Smith

Second: Jorge Santiago

Ayes: AH, TEC, JS, TS, CNP

Nays: None

II. Public Comment

Angel Amigon-Rojas speaks on behalf of his brother.

Mr. & Ms. Rhodes speak on behalf of their daughter.

III. Action Items

a. Approval of Student Expulsions

The hearing officer, Carrie Nase-Poust, makes her recommendation for student expulsion.

Carrie Nase-Poust motions to not expel student 7293640. *Jorge Santiago seconds the motion. All vote in favor, and the motion carries.*

Motion: Carrie Nase-Poust

Second: Jorge Santiago

Ayes: AH, TEC, JS, TS, CNP

Nays: None

Carrie Nase-Poust motions to not expel student 6361454. *Jorge Santiago seconds the motion. All vote in favor, and the motion carries.*

Motion: Carrie Nase-Poust

Second: Jorge Santiago

Ayes: AH, TEC, JS, TS, CNP

Nays: None

IV. Oral Reports

a. Achievement Report

Jana Somma gives an oral report of Read Across America, Pi Day, and the Science Fair. This year, 9 students placed in the Carver Science Fair and went on to the Delaware Valley Science Fair. Ms. Somma also outlines the current Penn Study happening in the elementary school. Ms. Somma presents a comparison report for the third benchmark test. Adrienne Davids presents a sample question from the Math PSSA.

b. Enrollment and Attendance

Angela Villani states that current enrollment is 1,163 and year-to-date attendance is 90.9%.

c. Discipline

Andrew Boglioli states that there were 14 out-of-school suspensions in March 2017, and 50 in-school suspensions.

d. Budget to Actuals

Ron Nordmeyer presents the financial report. The current financials show revenue in special education as lower than projected, however this is expected to resolve itself by the end of the year. ERate funding and student fees are both late, but this isn't atypical, and should also go away by the end of the year. Title I funding was cut mid-year. The amount budgeted for Professional Services, Psychological Services, and Legal Services has increased and is projected to increase further. The current projections show the school ending the year with an approximate deficit of \$230,000.

Tara Smith makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. All vote in favor, and the motion carries.