

The Renaissance

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APPROVED

January 10th, 2024

The Renaissance Charter School

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

HONORARY MEMBERS

Sandra Geyer, 1941-2019

Hazel DuBois, Ph.D. 1937-2013

Francine Smith, 1949-2021

Hon. Rudolph Greco, Esq.

Margaret Martinez-DeLuca

Meryl Thompson

1. Chairperson's Message – 3 minutes

- a. Rebekah Oaks provides welcome message at 12:06pm

2. Roll Call – 2 minutes

- a. Everett Boyd, Stacey Gauthier, Rebekah O., Dan Fanelli, Raymond Johnson, Chester Hicks, Absent: Dr. Rachel Mandel, Monte Joffe

3. Approval of Last Month's Minutes – 5 minutes

- a. Minutes approved by acclimation.
- b. The board will continue to record meetings

4. School Management Team Report – 10 minutes

- a. Stacey – Coming to the end of the renewal process. Thank you to the board members that participated in the board call. Tomorrow is the public hearing via Zoom, but Renaissance will bring folks into the school. Several alumni and parents plan to speak. We will do a short PowerPoint introduction but then allow

“Developing Leaders for the Renaissance of New York”

the families and students to speak.

- b. Greg Lopez, Francisco Moya provided letters of support.
 - c. The second public statement is the one to sign up on, this is because the DOE wants to increase our enrollment. This is because there used to be a 10% float, which we used to get to a 660 enrollment. This float is gone, so we have to officially increase our enrollment to our currently enrollment listed above.
 - d. In the middle of getting applications for next year. We have had virtual and on-site open houses.
 - e. We got a grant from the autobahn society and are looking to get a queens botanical garden grant. 3.7 million grants for the Literacy was awarded to Wildcat and Ren 2, only 12 schools in the country were awarded this grant. Wildcat is the lead on the grant.
 - f. Shout out to the clusters for the programing at the end of December.
5. Board Members' New Business – 10 minutes
- a. Received an email from a staff member requesting to change the minutes that date back to August to be interviewed for the position.
 - b. Rebekah S. and Ali R. had asked for the bylaws to the Board, which we sent prior to the break.
 - c. Matthew – we don't record the minutes verbatim, but the recording can always be reviewed. We don't go back and review minutes that have been recorded. Monte will review the request from Rebekah and respond in writing.
6. Public Speaking – TBD
- a. None
7. Adjournment of Public Meeting
- a. at 12:28