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July 15, 2026

The Renaissance Charter School 2

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Meeting convened at:

1. Chairperson's Message – 3 minutes
2. Roll Call – 2 minutes
 - a. Board Members present - Monte Joffee, Liz Perez, Everett Boyd, Rachel Mandel, Leopolda Silvera
 - b. Board Members absent - Victor Motta, Chester Hicks
 - c. Others present - Stacey Gauthier, Daniel Fanelli,
3. School Management Team Report – 10 minutes
 - a. Rashid not asked to return as principal. ELT and SMT will run the school.
 - b. Close to being fully hired. Big thank you to Taryn and Noelle. Falling within number of uncertified teachers--all new hires are certified. Some current teachers are expected to be certified by end of summer.
 - c. Big shout-out-- ENL teachers have signed up to be part of RFP to develop thematic units (in addition to current curriculum). Mandarin teachers are also doing similar work.
 - d. Shout-out to JC and office staff. Ren2 is overenrolled. Final year of expansion K-12.
 - e. Financial - HR and CFO Atiba, Stacey, Dan working on major revision to employee benefits that saves school money and gives staff a better benefit package. 10K premium on top of UFT salary schedule, giving teachers 1 hour lunch and 1 hour prep.
 - f. Increased college and career office; first year of senior class.
 - g. Z meeting with students who qualify for Posse scholarship
 - h. Summer program--permaculture and urban gardening. There are garden boxes upstairs. Will lead to a HS elective called Greener New York, with a certificate related to permaculture.
 - i. Finalized partnership with Vaughan College for students to be able to take a drone course for college credit and a certificate.
 - j. Gateway Math program for Ren1 and Ren2 to support math placement tests in college.
 - k. Construction on atrium has started for more offices and bathrooms.

- l. Brief executive session about lease situation
- m. Summer School (Dan): program split between schools, K-8 at Ren2, 9-12 at Ren1
 - i. Majority of staff in K-8 from Ren2
 - ii. Soft launch in HS (orientation)
 - iii. K-8 doing special meal celebration days/5 day program, 4 academic/1 enrichment plus after-school.
 - iv. Thank you to all support staff!
- n. Working with 82nd Street to extend afterschool program to 6:30.
- 4. Adjournment of Public Meeting - Vote to move to Executive Session (unanimous)
- 5. Return to Public Meeting
 - a. Vote was taken to move forward with the final signing of the lease. Approved by acclamation.
- 6. Meeting adjourned 11:02 a.m.