

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
FUTURE LEADERS INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL
SEPTEMBER 18, 2014**

Board members present: Katherine Browne, Joan Wicks, Andy Hatcher, Natalie Deak, Amanda Williams, Rudy Austin, Ismael Colon, Suzanne Thompson, Jay Hatfield, Gilda Wray, and Toye Wigley,

Guests present: Dani McPartlin, Julie Newman, Nakita Green, Dominique Artamin, Dana Grau, and Michelle Lopez.

The Board meeting began at approximately 8:30am at Future Leaders Institute Charter School, and was called to order by Katherine Brown.

1. Members of the Board and additional meeting attendees introduced themselves.
 - a. The Board welcomed new Chief Operating Officer, Dominique Artamin.
2. *The Board voted on the following items:*
 - a. *The minutes of the July 31, 2014 Board Meeting were unanimously approved.*
 - b. *Annie Adams was unanimously elected to the Board.*
3. Ismael Colon led a discussion on the positive results of the 2013-14 Department of Education survey.
 - a. The Board requested the development of policies and procedures for outreach to families to increase their survey participation.
4. Mr. Colon, Dani McPartlin, Julie Newman, and Nakita Green provided highlights from school opening including Back to School Night; Fathers Take Your Child to School Day; the STEP program for grades K-2; and Prep Academy.
 - a. The Board requested that Mr. Colon and staff track the attendance numbers for all FLI events.
 - b. The Board requested data on student progress be available for the October EAC call and Board meeting.
5. Amanda Williams and Mr. Colon updated the Board on the efforts to ignite the Parent Involvement Committee including officer elections in October 2014.
6. Mr. Colon and Ms. Green provided an update on the serious failures on the part of Boys and Girls Harbor that resulted in FLI's suspension of the of the Boys and Girls Harbor afterschool program as well as measures in place to chart effectiveness upon relaunch of the program on September 22nd.
 - a. The Board requested that Mr. Colon provide an update on the progress of the program at the October 1 Executive Committee call with interim notification, as needed.

7. Mr. Colon, Rudy Austin, and Ms. Artamin led a discussion on the enrollment numbers and rollout of Kickboard, a web-based data tracking system to support the school's academic program and improve school culture.
 - a. The Board requested that Mr. Colon and the Leadership Team develop a comprehensive list of FLI's data management systems (i.e. AdminPlus; IReady; etc.) to include their overall function and ability to be integrated into Kickboard.
8. Jay Hatfield, Joan Wicks, Ms. McPartlin, and Ms. Newman led a discussion on the Education Accountability Committee that included a review of NYS Math/ELA results; Successmaker; and Kumon Scholarships.
9. Natalie Deak, Mr. Austin, and Mr. Colon provided an update on the Finance Committee that included the additional and proposed expenditures resulting from the increase in enrollment and Boys and Girls Harbor savings.
 - a. *The Board unanimously approved an amount not to exceed \$75,000 (including benefits) to hire a Dean of Students or similar position to support the Director of Student Affairs.*
10. The Board moved to Executive Session at approximately 10:00am.
 - a. Certain personnel matters were discussed. Executive Session concluded at approximately 10:20am.
11. In connection with the Board's project to gather information from comparable, high-performing charter schools, Gilda Wray and Suzanne Thompson requested Board members provide their availability to attend several school visits by the end of the day.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30am. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is expected to take place October 16, 2014 at Latham and Watkins.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda Williams