



MOTT HALL
CHARTER SCHOOL
1260 FRANKLIN AVENUE
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
MOTT HALL CHARTER SCHOOL

June 17, 2014

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “**Board**” or “**BoT**”) of the Mott Hall Charter School (the “**MHCS**”), was held at Mott Hall Charter School, Annex of 1260 Franklin Avenue between 168th and 169th Street, Bronx, NY 10459 on June 17, 2014 beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m. local time pursuant to notice duly given.

Attendance

The following Trustees were present at the meeting: **Brenda Bravo, Sarah Calderon, Matthew Friedman, Jesse Margolis, Charles Stern, Natalie Thompson and Francesca Weindling.** Peter Oroszlany joined by phone.

The following school staff members participated in person: **Bob Lesser, Executive Director- MHCS, Michael Williams, Principal – MHCS, Alice McIntosh, Sp. Ed. Teacher, Maria Fornes – Teacher, Victoria Basantes – Teacher, Victoria A. Wilson – Teacher.**

Patrick Awosogba, was absent from the meeting.

Parent and guest attended this meeting. (See attached attendance list)

Sarah Calderon presided at this meeting and Natalie Thompson recorded the minutes as secretary.

Call to order and Public Comment

After noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order. Ms. Calderon reviewed the agenda and opened the floor for public comment.

Public comment was made by parent Iris S. LaVergne regarding how we communicate and keep parents apprised of school activities. We committed to enhance our existing communication channels to include additional touch points for parents.



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Board Motions and Approvals

1. Acknowledgement of the Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes. Charles Stern made a motion to approve the June 3, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Francesca Weindling. They were reviewed and unanimously approved by the BoT.
2. Acknowledgement, review and approval of the Operating Budget. After a fulsome discussion Brenda Bravo made a motion to approve the Operating Budget – FY 14. Motion was seconded by Sarah Calderon. The Board unanimously approved the Operating Budget.

Executive Director Updates

Board Packet Review - Mr. Lesser briefly reviewed the contents of the Board Packet highlighted below. Packets were available prior to Board meeting.

Staffing

- Staffing process for next year is still underway. More than half of positions are filled
- We continue to work with various vendors to source candidates

Accountability

- Board Member Jesse Margolis will continue to work with MHCS on modifications to Accountability system for next year

Operations, HR and Finance

- Finance Committee met to review and prepare the final operating budget.

Development

- Margaret Fredrickson, Director of Development at World Learning joined as Development Consultant.

Board Recruitment



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- We are continuing to recruit new potential Board members. See attached attendance log
Committee/ Taskforce and other Updates

Academic Taskforce – will continue to review the MHCS Accountability Report. Board member Jesse Margolis is reviewing our current metric with an eye toward streamlining the current data points to achieve greater efficiency and accuracy in data collection

• **Development Taskforce** – will work with the Development Consultant on Development Strategy for 2015

Finance Committee – no updates.

Executive Committee - no updates.

Forward Agenda

1. Committee/Taskforce Updates
2. Board Packet Review



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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Natalie Thompson
Secretary

APPROVED:


Sarah Calderon
Chair

CHARLES STERN
BOARD MEMBER