

Global Community Charter School
Board Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2016

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

*Minutes of a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT) for Global
Community Charter School (GCCS) held on May 18th
in the school building at
2350 Fifth Avenue*

Call to order at 6:35 PM

Roll Call

In attendance: Annie Flores (AF), Kate McGovern (KM), Rob Moser (RM)

Via Skype: Mary Jilek (MJ)

Staff: Bill Holmes (BH), Phyllis Siwec (PS)

Public: Christine Johnson, Ibrahim Yusuf, Gregory Williams, Peter Kauffman, Tope Yusuf (TY - Board Candidate pending SED approval)

Public comment - none

The minutes from April were approved as distributed.

School Operations & Finance

Chief Operating Officer Report provided by Bill provided a spring fest update and what we need from the board. Facilities update and cafeteria update.

BH will provide middle school outlook in the next meeting. PS and Katherine will flush out the staffing roster of what the middle school will look like.

Finance Committee Report – Rob, moved to approve budget. KM seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Academics

Education and Accountability Committee Report

Kate provided an update. Discussed measures for parent satisfaction. Survey completion has tripled this year. Enrollment forecasts were discussed. PS and Alicia will re-work our code of conduct to reflect our IB culture. An after school committee will potentially be formed.

PS provided a Head of School Report: IB PYP visit. Discussed media center possible

revamp. Official visit report will be received next month. Staffing next steps were discussed as well as timeline for candidates and offer letters for current staff. An update from the charter school collaborative was presented as well as potential connection with another charter school in Harlem.

Other Board Business

Board Mixer:

AF discussed possible dates. Everyone was in agreement that we should all try to attend Spring Fest.

DISCUSS potential revision of By-Laws

All in agreement to continue to look at by-laws. Recommendation is that we place a comment on term limits and seek further clarification. We will also take out the footnotes that are empty.

Kate moved into Executive Session at 8:15 PM to discuss personnel issues.

8:52 PM moved out of executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

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