

Board of Trustees—Minutes
November 30, 2021

Trustees Present: Jon Sichel, Eric London, Peggy Culver, Tracy Hampton & Evena Everett (video conference)

Absent: Tasheem Quayenortey, & June Smith

Executive Staff Present: Leonard Goldberg, Jessica Marcu, Kaitlin Francis, Crystal Chandler & Sade McCaw

Public Notification: Notice of meeting sent to Amsterdam News for addition to Events Calendar in print editions (November 18, 2021), on OCS website (November 18, 2021). Attending Members of the Board of Trustees met via Google Meets at 11:30 am and was recorded for later transcription.

Adoption of October Board of Trustees' Minutes

A vote to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2021 BOT meeting was taken with all in favor and no dissensions.

District-Wide School Safety Plan

A vote to approve the District-Wide School Safety Plan 2021-2022 was taken with all in favor and no dissensions.

Prospective Board Member

Prospective Board Member Basil Smikle was presented to the Board by Board Chair Jon Sichel. CEO Leonard Goldberg gave an overview of his background and described what expertise he would bring to the Board. Attending Trustees interviewed Basil and he was voted onto Board unanimously.

OCS Report to the Board

- OCS Report to the Board
 - Special Education Academic Recovery Program-Jessica Marcu, Head of School
 - During remote learning
 - All related services continued during remote learning (Speech, Occupational Therapy, clinical sessions) all took place
 - There was no break in our related services.
 - Bussing for all qualified students is in effect.
 - Since returning to in-person learning
 - Regents Prep during afterschool, in small groups, is taking place
 - After initial screening, students in the 6th grade will be receiving additional remediation services on top of what they are already receiving. The additional remediation will be piloted with the 6th grade and if it's effective it will also be offered to other students.
 - High interest after school groups to help students safely interact with each other in a more social setting

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- Board Annual Appeal

Communication from the Public

There were no communications from the public.

Executive Session

The Board moved to Executive Session to discuss Legal and Personnel Issues.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.