

Opportunity Charter School

Board of Trustees—Minutes

September 12, 2019

Trustees Present: June Smith, Tracy Hampton, Alice Cutler, & Eric London (video conference)

Absent: Melba Wilson, Peggy Culver & Jon Sichel

Executive Staff Present: Leonard Goldberg, Emily Samuels, Jessica Marcu, Sade McCaw & Kaitlin Francis

Public Notification: Notice of meeting sent to Amsterdam News for addition to Events Calendar in print editions (September 5, 2019), on OCS website (September 5, 2019). Attending Members of the Board of Trustees met at 315 West 113th Street at 6:00 p.m.

Adoption of June Board of Trustees' Minutes

A vote to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2019 BOT meeting was taken with all in favor and no dissensions.

Appointment of Trustees

Board Chair, June Smith, presented the current Board Roster of Trustees for annual appointment. She also put forth the Slate of Officers for 2019-2020:

Jon Sichel, Chair

Alice Cutler, Vice Chair

Tracy Hampton, Secretary/Treasurer

The Board unanimously consented to the appointments and elected the Slate of Officers.

OCS Report to the Board

- Lobbying and Community Outreach Update
 - Overall political updates:
 - Upcoming elections for City Council, Borough Presidents, and Citywide offices in 2021
 - Borough President Melinda Katz won the contested race for Queens District Attorney in June, against Democratic Socialists of America (DSA) candidate Tiffany Caban. Katz was supported by the Queens County Democratic Party.
 - Following Katz's induction in January 2020, there will be a special election called for February for Queens Borough President.

- Recent elected official meetings:
 - Sen. Jamaal Bailey
 - Sen. Luis Sepulveda
- Upcoming meetings – general and targeted:
 - Borough President Diaz
 - Council Member Gibson
 - Assembly Member Benedetto – represents a Bronx district; Chair of the Education Committee in the Assembly
 - State Senator Mayer – represents a Bronx/Westchester district; Chair of the Education Committee in the Senate
- Financials
 - Anthony Napolitano presented the Audit and Financial Committee report to the full Board recapping the past three Fiscal Years.

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 6:50 p.m.