



## **November Board Meeting**

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Date: November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Start Time: 6:30PM

### Attendance:

Richard Ortoli

Daniel Vos

Mason Mallory

Emmanuel Saint-Martin

Denise MacQuire

### Call to Order

1. Motion to approve November 2020 meeting agenda. Motion to approve the September and October 2020 minutes.

None opposed

Motion passed

We have a commitment for a contribution of somewhere between 500-550k. It will go to the foundation, and enable NYFACS to make a contribution towards the purchase of the building.

2. Teacher Representative Updates – Francois Petit-Perrin

- Teachers are grateful for Mr. Matlala's return
- Teachers want to underline 2 challenges to blended learning: Covid cases are increasing over the city, and the size of the building

3. PTO Updates:

- 2 successful events: NYFACS Got Talent and Fall Festival
- PTO Newsletter has improved communication between administration and parents
- Some parents are still experiencing issues with new devices, but overall parents are satisfied with the remote learning model

4. Administrative Dashboard:

- Parent Teacher Conference occurred week of 10/26/20 and follow up week of 11/2/20
- Principal stated we are on track with academic plan

- NYFACS MS debate team created and organized by Noah Simmons (MS Teacher) – 20 students signed up
- Sarah Guillen (MS Teacher) is helping students organize plans to enroll in High Schools
- Francois Petit-Perrin (ES Teacher) will begin the Lycee Francais de New York Entrance Prep Exam soon
- Blended learning expected to begin 12/7/20
- Principal spoke to Union Representative, Miles Trager, regarding teacher's concerns on returning to the building

Discussion:

- Do students have to wear uniforms if they return to the building?
- Mamadou Ba reminded parents via email to have a complete immunization by 11/11/20, especially if the students are to return to the building.
- Teachers would like an on site testing center or means to test students and staff – School Based Testing

Committee Updates – Finance

- Covid crisis has put a financial burden on the school. Finance & Facilities Committee will work with administration to determine a short-term solution
- Next Board Meeting – 12/8/20

5. Motion to conclude board meeting and begin executive session

None opposed

Motion passed

6. Meeting Adjourned