

November 2018 Board Meeting

Location: NYFACS, 311 W. 120th Street, NY, NY 10027

Date: November 27, 2018

6: 30pm-9:00pm

Attendance:

Brandi Lily-McLean

Richard Ortoli

Dan Vos

Zohair Ghenania

Mason Mallory

Charmine Barnes

Joselyn Rettic

Call to Order

1) Motion to approve October minutes and approve November Board meeting agenda

None opposed

Motion passed

2) Teacher Update

- Ms. Miller and Ms. Barthole have temporarily stopped their tutoring program that was a topic of conversation last meeting.
- Need to pass along the updates from the union

3.) PTO Updates

- Bake Sale
- Fall Festival went well
- Picture Day recap
- Parents Night Out is Upcoming
- December: Holiday Toy and Coat Drive - Safe Horizons recipient
- Dec 14th Season Celebration Party with NY Edge
- Dec 7th 6pm PTO Meeting
- CSA Vegetable Farm Share to be available Spring

4) Administrative Dashboard

- Powerschool has been implemented
- Artists in Residence program with LYCEE is underway including classroom visits & Saturday program
- Veterans Day Event at LYCEE took place with NYFACS students attending and presenting
- PreK new model is being considered
- Teacher in 1st grade was let go
- Request to adjust Dec 21st to a half day
- Need to Hire 1st grade specialist
- Middle School Challenges and need for improvements discussed
- Discussion: 6th grade introduction process for current 5th grade families
 - Put a middle school presentation together to share with the 6th grade
 - Make the process for moving from 5th - 6th grade seamless, a default option, no need to apply
 - Set up school tour
 - March is the date for application deadline to 6th grade
- Differentiate Uniforms for 6th graders to set apart

5) Finance Updates

- Discussion of Hudson Ross fee quote for formation of foundation
- Discussed financial benefit of the foundation
- Motion to proceed with the creation of a non for profit foundation through Hodgson Russ after Richard Ortoli has discussed fees and timing with them
 - None opposed
 - Motion passed
- Placeholder for Assistant Principal exists in budget

- Cash On hand is \$1.5M

6) Discussion

- Need to recruit board members
- Mason to head governance committee
- Visit from Seanator Ronan le Gleut

7) Development Committee Updates

- Spring Fundraiser planned for 4/21 : Working to confirm Lycee
- Multicultural choir festival planned for 5/10: Working to confirm Columbia

Motion to adjourn meeting

None opposed

Motion passed