



Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees

September 7, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Danal Abrams at 6:27 and a quorum was found present.

Board Members Present

Danal Abrams, Laura Blankfein, Jim Chu, Adam Falkner, Randall Iserman

Absent

Ben Gliklich, Jose de Jesus

Also present

Jamie Davidson, Geoffrey Klorpes

- Chair opened meeting
- Request for approval of August meeting minutes
 - Minutes approved by unanimous vote
- Chair proposed to reschedule discussion of state ELA and Math exam results and review of SUNY first-year evaluation findings until October
 - Board approved by voice vote
- Updates from school leadership
 - Principal reports CSA has been welcomed by leadership of district school and most elements of co-location have gone smoothly
 - Administration more on track to hold all parts of community accountable
 - 6th grade orientation days hindered by failure of Red Rabbit, lunch vendor, to deliver as promised; working to correct issues going forward
 - Enrollment on track with sufficient waitlists; some students did not return due to travel to new location;
 - CSA has greater SpEd population than CSD (17% and 19% vs 13%); CSA counselor receiving support from DOE counselors
 - School dress code stricter this year (ex: no leggings) reduction in options to encourage all students not just wearing but showing CSA items – new sweatshirts, etc.
 - Attendance more rigorous and based on number of occurrences per trimester as well as total; expansion of incentives for perfect attendance
 - Principal will provide report on attendance with comparison to district average to CSA last year, and with consequences for infractions
 - Loss of science teacher has created scheduling problems, but other new hires creating strong team; 7th grade math teacher to be profiled in Walton Foundation news/blog
 - New Choir, ensemble and elective arts launched

Meeting adjourned at 7:20