



Coney Island Preparatory Public Charter School
 Meeting of the Board of Trustees:
 Tuesday, March 22, 2022 5:00P.M - 6:00 P.M

The regular monthly meeting of Coney Island Preparatory Public Charter School was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 5:00 pm via Zoom.

<u>Board Members Present</u>		<u>Guest Present</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Josh Wolfe	KC Klegar Hallie Hanson Ashley Weech
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Buckmire	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Julie Goran	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joe Herrera	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nkonye Okoh	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Leslie- Bernard Joseph	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacob Mnookin	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joe Talia	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Samantha Tweedy	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Shona Pinnock	

Votes/Motions

Quorum Present:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7 - Members Total
Minutes: Approval of previous board minutes.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joe Herrera made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes, and Joe Talia seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.
Vote I: Change Summer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Julie Goran made a motion to approve the “Change Summer” Program., and Joe Herrera seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.
Vote II: Middle school facilities upgrade and outfitting of new network office.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joe Herrera made a motion to approve the middle school facilities upgrade and the outfitting of the new network office. Julie Goran seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

I. STATE TESTING & IGNITE READING

Mr. Joseph discussed CIP's preparations for the upcoming state exam along with new standardized procedures in place. Updates included the discontinuation of timed tests, giving scholars the time needed to complete the exam without the pressures of time running out. Small group settings and the option to opt out of taking the test has been given to scholars to ensure scholar success and readiness.

Mr. Joseph concluded with Coney Island Prep's partnership with Ignite Reading to provide 1:1 phonics instruction and virtual tutoring as part of the COVID recovery strategy. A short video clip was shared of news coverage highlighting the program's success at the Upper Elementary Campus.

II. END OF COVID SURVEILLANCE TESTING

Mr. Joseph discussed CIP's decision to discontinue on-site student and staff COVID testing effective Wednesday, March 23, 2022. In accordance with NYC+DOE mandates and policies, CIP will pursue participation in the DOE-led testing programs in the event that testing is required in future.

Chief Operating Officer Ashley Weech provided further information regarding testing for students and the precautionary measures already in effect. 1000 take-home COVID test have been set aside to be sent home with scholars on a biweekly basis to help monitor each scholars health and address family concerns and campus safety.

III. Q2 FINANCE UPDATE

Chief Financial Officer Mr. KC Klegar provided the board with detailed finance updates based upon CIP's performance in Q2.

Summer Opportunities

Mr. Joseph recommended that the Board vote to approve a \$75,000 MOU between Coney Island Prep and Change Summer.

Change Summer partners with high-performing charter schools and CMOs, contracts with summer camp facilities in upstate New York and around the northeast, and staffs and develops full week sleep-away camps for its partner schools.

The partnership with the Change Summer program would provide opportunities for 75 scholars this summer 2022. Eligible scholars are currently in grades 3-8 (or rising 4th through 9th graders for next school year).

Cost per participant to attend the camp: \$1,000 per child for each school partner; \$350 contributed by Change Summer; \$150 for families so that they have some "skin in the game" and are invested in the camp.

Facilities Investment

Chief Operating Officer Ashley Weech requested that the board approve a middle school furniture upgrade project budget, not to exceed \$500,000, and remaining outlay for the network office budget of up to \$150,000.

The investment prioritized the middle school, CIP's oldest campus in need of in need of new furniture – including new desks, chairs, overhauling the carpentry millwork in classrooms, new fridges for staff, upgrades to classroom sinks, water fountains, and electrical outlets for updated technology and flat panel displays for laptop screen sharing instead of projectors. Including furniture install and delivery work, and consultants to help with architecture, design, and the furniture vendor.

IV. 2022 – 2023 SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULE UPDATE

Mr. Joseph provided the board with an overview of the 2022-2023 school year update, based upon revelatory information gathered via staff experience focus groups.

Updates include newly proposed campus wide block scheduling, competitive compensation and staff experience improvements to reduce burnout and effectively utilize school days to incorporate work time and professional development. These improvements will directly affect the quality of the student academic experience.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46pm.

I hereby certify that these are a true and correct copy of the minutes that were adopted by the Board of Trustees on March 22, 2022.

Jacob Mnookin, Secretary