



## Minutes

The American Dream Charter School  
Board Meeting  
Thursday, August 24, 2017 @ 6PM  
at 510 E 141st St. New York, NY 10454

**Board Members Present:** R. Espinal, Z. martinez, L. Rojas, A. Cabrera, Damian (remotely),  
**Guests:** M. Melkonian, N. Gallagher

### I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call the Meeting to Order - 6:19 L. Rojas
  - 1. Seconded - Z. Martinez
- B. Approve Minutes
  - 1. Motion to approve - L. Rojas
  - 2. Seconded - R. Espinal

### II. EXECUTIVE

- C. Highmark Update - N. Gallagher
  - 1. Friends of Status
    - a) FoADS is a charitable organization that can sign a PSA.
    - b) FoADS will apply for tax exemption from state of NY
  - 2. PD&R
    - a) Board will review PD&R after Phase I and Phase II are more clearly defined by High Mark
  - 3. PSA
    - a) Board will not make a decision about PSA in August. It is not critical at this stage.
- D. Accountability (Test Scores) - M. Melkonian
  - 1. Melissa reviewed test scores for the board.

### I. Governance

- E. Board Goals - L. Rojas
  - 1. Board briefly discussed process they went through during SY1617 and discussed going through the process again
- F. Board Serve NYC - A. Cabrera
  - 1. Still a work in progress

### III. OPERATIONS

- G. Staffing Update - N. Gallagher



1. Full-time, Part-Time, Instructional, Administrative and Leadership staffing for both campuses was reviewed
2. Enrollment - N. Gallagher
3. Enrollment and waitlist counts were reviewed for all grades.

#### **IV. FINANCE**

H. Review of TD Bank Escrow, Chase Checking and Chase Savings account balances - Nick

1. All account balances were reviewed

#### **V. CLOSING ITEMS**

- I. Motion to adjourn Meeting
  1. Motion to adjourn at 5pm. - L. Rojas,
  2. Seconded - A. Cabrera