

Minutes

The American Dream Charter School
Board Meeting
Monday April 18, 2016 @ 6:00 PM
at 510 E 141st St. New York, NY 10454

Board Members Present: Z. Martinez, A. Cabrera (video call), L. Rojas, R. Levine, R. Espina (video call), D. Vargas (video call).

Guests: M. Melkonian, N. Gallagher

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call the Meeting to Order - Luz Rojas
 - 1. Called to order at 6:12pm
 - 2. Approve Minutes- Luz. Seconded by Zuleika
 - 3. unanimously approved

II. EXECUTIVE

- B. Approve exploration of amending ADS Charter due to changes at SED - Melissa
 - 1. Motion to approve - Luz M.R.
 - a) Seconded - Zuleika M.
 - b) Unanimously approved
- C. Ways to improve ADS (survey) & Monday meetings - Melissa
 - 1. Meetings will occur Mondays at both lunch and after school
 - a) Any notable results will be shared with the board periodically
- D. Approve Salary Scales - L. Rojas
 - 1. Motion to approve - Luz M.R.
 - a) Seconded - Rick
 - b) Unanimously approved
- E. Teacher recruitment/retention - Melissa
 - 1. 100% retention of teaching staff
- F. Begun MP4 - Melissa
- G. Mini-Mester Update - Melissa
- H. Chromecarts/Tablets - Nick
 - 1. Purchasing Chromebooks and carts for each room
 - 2. Purchasing Kindles for all students

III. OPERATIONS

- I. Staffing Update - Nick
 - 1. Full Time Instructional Staff: 21 (not including Anne Yuskevich- Speech Therapist)
 - 2. Full Time School Support: 2

3. Full Time Operations Staff: 5
 4. Part Time Operations Staff: 1
- J. Student Application Update - Nick
1. Applicants have exceeded seat availability by almost 200%
 2. Wait list will be created for all grades
- K. ELL Weight Lottery Update - Nick
1. Lottery will be conducted using the state weighted lottery tool.

IV. FINANCE

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

V. CLOSING ITEMS

- K. Motion to adjourn Meeting- Luz Rojas, Seconded by Roselin
- Adjourned at pm 6:42pm
 - Unanimously approved adjournment