



**Minutes of the Directors' Meeting**

**VIDEO CONFERENCE CALL**

**October 10, 2023**

**Start Time: 5:05 PM End Time: 6:00 PM**

**Directors Present – Video Call** - Debra Logan-Rabb, Robert Monson, Patrick Barth, Cyril Moule-Berteaux

**Staff Present - Video Call**- Kevin Fischer, Shantay Primus, Monica Rios

**Others – Video Call** – Altagracia Taveras, Vikas Kaushal, Dr. Denniston Reid, Dr. Charlene Reid

Board Secretary Robert Monson called the meeting to order.

**1. Review and Approval of Minutes, Directors' Meeting June 6, 2023:** Minutes were approved.

**2. Financial Report:**

- a. Altagracia Taveras presented the August 2023 YTD financials, which were distributed to the Board in advance and discussed in detail at the finance committee call.
  - i. Total revenue for 2023-2024 is projected to be \$8,136K, about \$280K less than the budget.
  - ii. Total expenditures for 2023-2024 are expected to be at \$7,372K, excluding depreciation.
- b. FY 2022-2023 audit is in progress. Fieldwork is scheduled in the upcoming weeks.

**3. Principal's Report:** Kevin Fisher discussed the following topics:

**1. National Blue Ribbon School Award:**

- a. On September 28, the school received a letter from the Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona for recognition as a 2023 Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing National Blue Ribbon School!
- b. National Blue Ribbon Schools Awards Ceremony is scheduled to take place in Wahington on November 16 and November 17.
- c. There is an article in Stamford Advocate regarding the school's journey to earn the Blue Ribbon award.

**2. High School Placement 2023:**

- a. Kevin shared the list of Independent, Parochial, and Public Schools that the scholars of Stamford Excellence are now attending.

**3. Enrollment:**

- a. The total enrollment as of October 1, 2023, was 540 across all grades.

**4. Fall Trimester:**

- a. Curriculum Night – 75% participation for the entire school
- b. New Teacher Weekly Group Check-In
- c. New Staff Mentorship
- d. Parent Association Meeting and Events
- e. Picture Day – October 27<sup>th</sup>
- f. Harvest Day Celebration – October 31<sup>st</sup>

- g. After School Programs begin (Art Club, Glee Club, Basketball, Ladies Leadership)
- h. High School Placement – Individualized Student/Parent Meetings
- i. Blue Ribbon Community Celebration – November 4<sup>th</sup>

**5. A new sign is installed at the front of the building.**

**6. Playground construction is in progress—delays due to recent rains.**

**4. Public Comments:**

No public comments.

**The Meeting was adjourned.**