

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF UNITY PREPARATORY CHARTER SCHOOL OF BROOKLYN

HELD: June 18, 2020

A virtual meeting of the Board of Trustees (the "Board") of Unity Preparatory Charter School of Brooklyn (the "School"), was held on June 18, 2020 commencing at 7:09 p.m., New York time. Seven Trustees were present at the beginning of the meeting; quorum was met. Notice of the meeting was duly given to all Trustees, posted on the School's website, and sent to the New York Times, the New York Daily News and the Brooklyn Daily. The meeting was livestreamed on YouTube.

The following Trustees were present at the beginning of the meeting:

Jeannette Bander

Kenneth Baum

Jake Elghanayan

James Ellsworth

Marion Leydier

**Trudy Sandy** 

Sal Siddiqui

Also in attendance at the invitation of the Board were Joshua Beauregard, Chris Doscher, and Leslie Roper-Thomas.

Mr. Ellsworth called the meeting to order and indicated that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the items set forth on the agenda previously distributed to the Trustees.

#### Mission Moment

Mr. Beauregard discussed Unity's mission.

#### Head of School Report; Data Dashboard; Strategic Planning

Mr. Beauregard provided updates regarding Unity's academic and operations programming. Mr. Beauregard and the Trustees present discussed the School's updates to its data dashboard. Mr. Beauregard gave an update regarding the School's strategic planning and human capital initiatives, including the School's planning for, and responses to, remote learning and related issues stemming from COVID-19.

# Committee Reports

Ms. Roper-Thomas led a discussion regarding updates from the Audit & Finance Committee.

### Renewal of Property-Casualty Insurance Policy

The Trustees discussed and considered renewing the School's Property-Casualty Insurance Policy, on terms previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that Marion Leydier and Chris Doscher be, and they hereby are, authorized to renew the School's property-casualty insurance policy at an annual cost of up to \$135,000.

#### Budget for 2020-21 School Year

The Trustees discussed and considered approval of the Budget for the 2020-21 school year, as previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Budget for the 2020-21 school year be, and hereby is, approved.

#### Minutes of Prior Meeting – May 12, 2020

The Trustees discussed and considered approval of the minutes of the May 12, 2020 meeting of the Board that were previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the May 12, 2020 Board meeting minutes be, and hereby are, approved.

#### Calendar for 2020-21 School Year

The Trustees discussed and considered approval of the calendar for the 2020-21 school year, as previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the calendar for the 2020-21 school year be, and hereby is, approved; provided that Joshua Beauregard be, and he hereby is, authorized to make immaterial changes to such calendar to reflect the calendar for the 2021-21 school year adopted by the Department of Education in consultation with the Student Learning Committee.

#### Re-election of James Ellsworth to the Board of Trustees with a Three-year Term

The Trustees discussed and considered the re-election of James Ellsworth to the Board of Trustees with a three-year term. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that James Ellsworth be, and he hereby is, elected to the Board of Trustees for a term that shall expire upon (i) the later of the School's July 2023 Board of Trustees

meeting and such time as such Trustee's successor has been duly chosen and qualified, or (ii) such Trustee's earlier incapacity, death, resignation or removal.

## Appointment of Officers to the Board of Trustees

The Trustees discussed and considered the appointment of officers to the Board of Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, each of the individuals set forth below be, and hereby is, elected as an officer of the Board of Trustees in the position set forth opposite such person's name for a term that shall expire upon (i) the later of the School's July 2021 Board of Trustees meeting and such time as such Trustee's successor has been duly chosen and qualified, or (ii) such Trustee's earlier incapacity, death, resignation or removal.

Name	Position
James Ellsworth	Chairperson
Jake Elghanayan	Vice Chairperson
Marion Leydier	Secretary
Trudy Sandy	Treasurer

## Consideration of Board of Trustees Committee Changes

The Trustees discussed and considered possible changes to the membership of the committees of the Board of Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that Jake Elghanayan be, and hereby is, added as a member of the Student Learning Committee until his successor has been duly chosen and qualified, or until his earlier incapacity, death, resignation or removal.

#### Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule for 2020-21 School Year

The Trustees discussed and considered approval of the Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule for the 2020-21 school year, as previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule for the 2020-21 school year be, and hereby is, approved.

#### Governance Action Items Calendar for 2020-21 School Year

The Trustees discussed and considered the Governance Action Items Calendar for the 2020-21 School Year, as previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Governance Action Items Calendar for 2020-21 School Year be, and hereby is, approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made seconded, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.	
	James Ellsworth Chairman