



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

HELD: August 18, 2020

A virtual meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of Unity Preparatory Charter School of Brooklyn (the “School”), was held on August 18, 2020 commencing at 7:04 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

Marion Leydier

Sarah Olle

Trudy Sandy

Sal Siddiqui

Jim Ellsworth was linked by audio but did not count for voting or quorum. 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.

Committee Reports

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

Mr. Elghanayan led a discussion regarding updates from the Development and Finance Committee.

Mr. Siddiqui led a discussion regarding updates from the Enrichment and Community Partnership Committee.

Mr. Beauregard led a discussion regarding updates from the Student Learning Committee.

#### Minutes of Prior Meeting – July 21, 2020

The Trustees discussed and considered approval of the minutes of the July 21, 2020 meeting of the Board that were previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the July 21, 2020 Board meeting minutes be, and hereby are, approved.

#### Amendments of the 2020-21 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule

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

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

#### Consideration of Proposing Earl Silas Jr. for Election to the Board

The Trustees discussed and considered the election of Earl Silas Jr. to the Board of Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Unity Preparatory Charter School of Brooklyn Board of Trustees hereby selects Earl Silas Jr. as a candidate to its Board of Trustees, subject to (1) a thorough background check via a fingerprint scan as required by the State of New York, (2) a final vote by the Trustees after the School's consideration of the results of the background check and (3) Mr. Silas Jr.'s approval by the New York State Education Department. The resolution approving Mr. Silas Jr. will take effect upon SED's approval of Mr. Silas Jr.

#### Agreement with Loci Architecture to File a Permanent Place of Assembly Certificate of Operation

The Trustees discussed and considered with the engagement of Loci Architecture for services to School in connection with the School's filing of a permanent Place of Assembly Certificate of Operation, as previously circulated to the Trustees. The Trustees present unanimously adopted the following resolution:

***RESOLVED***, that the agreement with Loci Architecture to file a Permanent Place of Assembly Certificate of Operation be, and hereby is, approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:51 p.m., at which time the Board moved to executive session to consider certain matters relating to the School's planning for remote learning and related issues stemming from COVID-19.

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James Ellsworth  
Chairman