**Global Community Charter School**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

August 27, 2014

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

*Minutes of a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT) for Global Community Charter School (GCCS) held on August 27th in the school building at 421 W. 145th St., New York, NY*

Call to order

Rachael called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Roll call

In attendance: Rachael Beard (RB), Annie Flores (AF), Mary Jilek (MJ), Kate McGovern (KM), Robert Moser (RM), Peter Novak (PN)

Staff: Phyllis Siwiec (PS), Steve Williams (SW)

Absent: Chad Weber (CW)

Walk through

BOT walked through the school building.

Public comment

None.

Minutes

PN moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. RB seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Parent Representative Report

PS reported that CH and MJ are no longer Parent Representatives. BOT discussed role of Parent Representative. KM moved to amend charter language from:

“At least one seat on the Board of Trustees will be reserved for a parent of a child enrolled in the school as a voting trustee. This parent will be elected by the vote of PAPA and his/her term of office will be one year.”

to:

“At least one seat on the Board of Trustees will be reserved for a parent of a child enrolled in the school as a non-voting trustee. This parent will be selected by the vote of PAT and his/her term of office will be one year.” (revisions underlined only to identify them). BOT believes this revision to be non-material.

RB seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Finance Committee

SW explained proposed amendments to the budget due to decreased enrollment. RB indicated that CW wishes to resign from role as Treasurer and Trustee. KM moves to accept resignation of CW. RB seconds. All in favor. Motion carried. RB moves to nominate PN to serve as Treasurer. MJ seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Facilities

SW provided update on facilities.

Education Accountability Task Force

KM reported that the Education Accountability Task Force did not meet over the summer months but will reconvene in September to assess academic progress, review parent survey results, re-visit academic goals, plan for anti-bullying/school climate sub-committee and develop dashboard.

Head of School Report

PS reported on attendance and reasons for attrition.

RB moved to enter into Executive Session at 8:19. MJ seconded. All in favor. RM moved to exit out of Executive Session at 8:44. MJ seconded. All in favor.

Governance Report

BOT discussed BOT recruitment.

PN proposed applying to two Columbia Business School internship programs.

RB moved to enter in Executive Session at 8:45. KM seconded. All in favor. KM moved to exit out of executive session at 9:26. PN seconded. All in favor. RB resigned from Chair of BOT but will remain on BOT. KM moved to nominate MJ to BOT Chair. RM seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment

MJ moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:42. KM seconded this motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

All trustee meetings for the Global Community Charter school are open meetings subject to the NYS open meetings law. While we encourage public participation and provide a designated time for public comment, individuals are limited to two minutes total of public comment each, unless the Board asks for additional feedback. All trustees and members of the public must abide by Global Community Charter School norms around professionalism and civility in their comments, these norms can be found in our school handbook. Complaints against a specific employee or public comments that may reveal confidential information will, consistent with the open meetings law, be handled through our dispute resolution process or may be heard in executive session.