

**September Board Minutes (Virtual Meeting)**  
**Board of Trustees – GO NYC**  
**September 10, 2020**

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**Attendance:**

**GONYC:** B. Gallini, C. Smith, K. Boyle, D. Tang

**BOARD:** S. Akselrad, M. Comart, I. Rodriguez, M. Gurney, H. Wang, A. Bhatia

**GOF:** M. Duffy, J. Thomases, L. Perkins, T. Shaw

**Call to Order:** Board Meeting called to order by S. Akselrad at 6:03 p.m.

**July Board Meeting Minutes Approved**

**GO-NYC School Re-Opening Overview**

- o Recap of School Launch
  - 100% remote or hybrid option given to families
  - First day of school 8/24, orientation
  - Successful open!
- o 3 weeks after opening our first positive COVID case
  - Shifted to 100% remote instruction
  - Allowed for 17 days of isolation from the last day the student was present in school
- o Question and clarification about screening and contact tracing procedures

**Push to 40% ELA and Math proficiency**

- o Previous School Year
  - o 24% ELA & 25% Math
- o NWEA - MAP
  - o 9/29-10/1
- o Growth reporting
  - o Teacher
    - Track observation and feedback
    - Pair with student achievement cycle
  - o Student IA's
    - 10/19-10/30 - ELA, Math, S.S.
  - o Dress Rehearsal
    - 3/8-3/12 - ELA
    - 3/22 - 3/26 - Math
    - 5/11 - 5/12 - Science

### **Committee Overview: S. Akselrad**

- Attendance Committee
  - Joe McDonald
  - Molly Gurny
- Facilities & Real Estate
  - Anan Bhatia
- Finance
  - Ben Chan
  - Howard Wang
- Advisory
  - Marissa Comart
- Community Engagement
  - Ivan Rodrigues

### **GO-NYC High School Update: B. Gallini**

- High School Identity
  - 8th - 9th Grade Transition: Culture and Identity
    - Designing spring experiences for current 8th graders and families
    - Adjusting the 9th Grade curriculum and structure to create a successful transition for 8th grade students
- Space and Branding
  - Working to rebrand our space at 38 Delancey for 9th Grade
    - Making HS feeling distinctly different from MS
    - Reorganizing space to ensure 9th grade students feel different from HS
    - Planning our program to ensure HS level expectations are different from MS
- Recruitment Plan
  - Current Families
    - In house enrollment center
    - Surveys (Students and Families)
    - Webinars
  - K-8 Charters
    - Mailings to families
    - Webinar Presentation
    - Phone outreach
  - DOE Elementary & MS
    - Mailings to relevant districts
    - Webinar Presentation
    - Phone outreach
  - Neighborhood & Community
    - HS Fairs
    - Community outreach
    - Neighborhood Canvassing

### **Facilities: M. Duffy & A. Bhatia**

- 80 Willoughby no longer an option
- Exploring other options
- Vote on motion with Newmark/JLL as a new firm (Pass)
- S. Akselrad motion to sign on behalf of board for contract

### **Fellowship Update: K. Boyle**

- Pushing to 40/40
  - Curricular Improvements
    - Close Reading & Guided Reading
    - Targeted small group math intervention
    - Biweekly assessments to measure progress
- Comprehensive Professional Development
  - Lavinia Group
  - M. Broschart
  - Biweekly observations with feedback centered on student progress
  - Use of TeachBoost to track fellow progress
  - Meetings with teachers to discuss support
- AmeriCorps Experience with COVID-19
  - Housing
    - Decreased the number of cohabitants
    - Biweekly disinfecting
    - Clear safety guidelines
    - Resources for when you feel sick or ill
  - Community Building
    - Community circle
    - Encouragement of safe small group outings between admin, teacher and fellow
    - Professional learning communities
  - Support Systems
    - Weekly Check-Ins
    - AmeriCorps Member Assistance Program
    - Office Hours
    - Planning meeting about future goals(monthly)
    - Wellness Wednesday

### **Board Business**

- Option to move board meeting 30 minutes earlier to 5:30 PM

### **Adjournment**

