



# South Bronx Charter School for International Cultures and the Arts

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## Meeting of the Board of Trustees Thursday, February 25, 2016

### Board Meeting Minutes

**Start Time:** 4:50PM

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Priscilla Ocasio (Board Chairperson)  
Donald Mattson (serving as Recording Secretary)  
John Potapchuk  
Elvis Torres

**Absent Board Members:**

Carmen Santos

**Non-Board Members:**

Evelyn Hey Principal  
Paul Augello  
Robert McLaughlin

### Minutes:

**Welcome:** Priscilla welcomed the board members and attendees.

Ms. Hey explained RACL, admission and discharge policy and retroactivity of attendance.

**I. Director of Operations Report-** Stephanie Alves (none)  
(Stephanie Alves absent)

**II. Principal's Report** (Evelyn Hey)—report attached

- Ms. Hey discussed school/District 7/Bronx/New York State test data (attached)
- The LED Lighting conversion is almost complete.
- State Assessments (Literacy)—April 5,6,7. Mathematics April 13,14,15. Science (Grade 4 only)—May.
- The afterschool program is three days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Casa Grant program (music and dance) will be on Monday so there is no conflict with the academic program(s) on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Victory Financial Report-**Paul J. Augello (report attached)

- Expenses are below budget.
- There is a reasonable amount of available cash in the bank.

- Bond Interest Certification is due in April.
- A BNY-Mellon Repair and Replacement fund will be created during the next year to hold reserve funds for future repairs.

**New Business:** Robert McLaughlin (report attached)

- The audit response was submitted in a timely fashion and the report will be published within the next several days, including a possible press release.
- The Real Estate Exemption needs to be filed every five years.
- He discussed the need for annual board training.

**Old Business:**

**(By-law change)**

Priscilla mentioned that there is a need for an additional trustee on the board. Parent(s) can be on the board as ex-officio members (without voting rights) as per a change in the by-lawd, Article II, Section 3.

**John Potapchuk** moved and **Elvis Torres** seconded to accept revised by-laws.

At 7:25PM, the Board went into Executive Session.

Motion was made by Elvis Torres, seconded by **John Potapchuk**.

At 9:10PM, the Executive Session ended.

Motion was made by **Elvis Torres** and seconded by **Donald Mattson**.

At 9:11PM, **Priscilla Ocasio** moved and **John Potapchuk** seconded that the Board meeting conclude.