



Rochdale Early Advantage Charter School

Minutes

REACS Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday February 26, 2024, at 6:30 PM

Location

Via Zoom Online Platform and In-Person

Directors Present

L. Hamer, C. Williams-Hagins (remote), L. Stephens, K. Sandiford, R. Wilson (remote), K. Sandiford, M. Townsend (remote), J. Hurt (remote), D. Barron (remote), J. Hurt (remote), M. Townsend

Directors Absent

Ex Officio Members Present

C. Rice

Guests Present

Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie, Ms. Kimylene Hover (remote), C. Walden (remote) Tawanna Muniz (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Hamer called a meeting of the board of directors of Rochdale Early Advantage Charter School to order on February 26, 2024 at 6:36 PM

R. Wilson made a motion to Approve Agenda.

K. Sandiford seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. Approve Minutes

R. Wilson made a motion to Approve Minutes from January 22, 2024

L. Stephens seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Business & Operations Report

A. Mrs. Tawana Muniz

STUDENT DATA DASHBOARD:

- UNIVERSAL PRE-K STUDENTS – 36
- K-8 STUDENTS (Pre-Enrolled) – 438
- SPED STUDENTS – 47
- ELL – 8
- ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS – 65%

ENROLLMENT: 2023 - 2024

- Seats to be filled: 1st (6), 2nd (5), 8th (1)

ENROLLMENT: 2024 - 2025

- REACS has received **286** Applications for the 2024-2025 school year. The submission deadline for lottery is April 1st

COMPLIANCE/FINANCE:

- NYS department of Nutrition will be on site to view our school food process
- ACR (Annual Comprehensive Review) was completed and uploaded to NYC DOE
- Urgent Ops Consultant group has started working with ADMIN requesting documents

ATTACHMENTS

- Budget vs. Actual and Cash disbursement reports were given to the board

III. School Leader Report

Mrs. Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie/ Ms. Kimylene Hover/

Dr. Claytisha Walden

TEACHING AND LEARNING

- Remote Learning Day February 13, 2024
 - Scholars went home with their devices, chargers, printed work, etc.
 - Zoom was used for live instruction for classes
 - Scholars/parents were given a contract detailing the responsibility for using the device at home and return instructions.
 - A parent and staff survey was sent to capture feedback regarding what went well and what needs improvement from Remote learning.
- Saturday Academy and Afterschool shifted to include all grades 2-8 scholars.
- The skills period shifted to test prep for grades 3-8 scholars.
- Formal Observations began for all teachers.
- Midyear ANET/I-ready formative data summary

SCHOOL CULTURE

- Attended the City Council FY25 Capital Discretionary Funding Presentation on February 5, 2024
- Second Annual REACS Shark Tank – February 7, 2024
- Valentine's Social was held on February 14, 2024
- Mid-Winter School Holiday – February 19-24, 2024

UPCOMING

- Scholastic Book Fair March 4-8, 2024
- 8th Grade NAEP Test – Postponed to March 1, 2024
- Black History Celebration – REACS Choir, Your Queens Inc. performance 9:00 am February 29, 2024
- NYC Mayor Adams is scheduled to visit REACS on March 8, 2024
- BLACC Innovation Grant application
- Summer School Grant Application Open

PERSONNEL REPORT

- PREK TA on leave
- PREK TA returned from Leave
- PREK TA resigned due to a conflicting school schedule
- We began collaborating with Urgent Ops on the HR project
- Dr. Clay is expected to return to work on February 26, 2024, as the final return date

IV. PTO Report – NO REPORT

Margie Townsend

V. CEO Report

A. Bishop Calvin Rice

- NYC Mayor Adams plans to do a faith-based development press conference in Queens and plans to tour the school
- Work on new school building progressing: sprinkler system progressing, elevator work progressing, all classroom walls are primed and ready for paint (3 classrooms complete with walls and paint), thermostats installed (A rating), lights are installed. Waiting for water and sewage completed as well as electrical
- Legacy brick campaign is underway

VI. Finance Report – NO REPORT

A. Mrs. Marcia Anglin

VII. Academic Accountability Report – NO REPORT

A. Mrs. Chene Williams

VIII. Personnel Committee Report – NO REPORT

A. Mrs. Kamala Sandiford

Ms. S. Brown gave an update from BLACC (Black, LantinX, Asian Charter Collaborative) about an upcoming protest in Albany concerning mental health

Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Wilson