



**YouthBuild PCS Board Meeting Minutes
Annual Meeting
October 17, 2019**

In attendance—Board Members Steve Lanning, Noel Bravo, Suraj Patel, Mary Blatch, Mark Jordan, Amira Kamara and Elizabeth Grant; YouthBuild and TenSquare team members Jason Ellis, Claire Libert, Janalee Jordan-Meldrum, Alexandra Pardo.

Steve Lanning, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

1. August Minutes. Motion to approve Mr. Bravo, seconded Ms. Blatch. The Board approved the August minutes, as corrected.
2. Office Elections. The slate as presented by Grant and seconded by Patel included Mr. Lanning as Chair, Mr. Patel as Treasurer, and Ms. Blatch as Secretary to serve until October 2020. Slate of officers was approved by acclamation.
3. Leadership Update.
 - YB met all of its Charter Goals.
 - YB closed enrollment season with 118 students (one student is moving to NPP), 4 students short of our enrollment ceiling. There was one less week of recruitment time, between the start of school and the count date, this year than last year. We will continue year-round recruitment, and the shift to trimesters increases the number of official entry points. The Board discussed enrollment trends, demographics, ELL and special education status. There are more students who qualify for special education supports and services this year than last year.
 - Attendance continues to be a focus, and the school is implementing a number of strategies to support attendance.
 - Mr. Ellis reviewed student GED, CASAS and TABE testing results for the last two months.
 - Staff continue to work on building student culture with greater variety in student programming and career coaching. Board members discussed the review and updating of the student handbook.
 - Board discussed school safety issues. The school has hired a security guard, is adding a walk-through metal detector and is upgrading security cameras.

- Staff professional development continues with sessions on a number of topical issues.
4. Operations/Finance Report.
 - Ms. Libert provided general updates on school facilities and the HVAC and roof repairs.
 - She also reviewed the school's financial status for the coming year.
 5. Transparency Update.
 - Transparency legislation continues to move through the DC Council.
 6. Preparation for Charter Renewal
 - The Charter Renewal hearing is scheduled for January 27, 2020 with the DCPCSB. We will review our report at the Board meeting on December 12 and submit the report on December 16.

Motion to adjourned from Lanning, second from Bravo. The Board adjourned to executive session at 8:40pm.