

## Board of Trustees

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Jonathan Howard  
Ned Levy  
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Susaye Smith  
Keith Vighram



## St. HOPE Leadership Academy Board of Trustees Board meeting

### **MINUTES**

January 31, 2013 from 6:30PM – 8:00 PM  
222 134<sup>th</sup> Street, Third Floor

#### **1. Welcome**

##### Call to Order

Eric Freeman	Present
Jonathan Howard	Present
Vinay Ganti	Present
Ned Levy	Absent (excused)
Ruth Meyler	Absent (excused)
Joshua Morales	Present
Susaye Smith	Absent (excused participated by phone)
Keith Vighram	Present
Ankur Dalal	Present

Also present at the meeting Constance Bond, Executive Director

#### **2. Public Comment**

No requests for public comment were received

#### **3. Consent Agenda**

Minutes of the meeting held December 11, 2012 were unanimously approved

#### **4. Nomination Committee**

- Bryan Winther was unanimously elected to the Board.
- Mr. Howard introduced Maureen Higgins to the Board who responded to questions about her potential service as a Board member.

#### **5. Charter Renewal**

Dr. Bond reported that the New York State Board of Regents granted a six month interim charter to all NYCDOE charter schools up for renewal in January, 2013, mainly for the purpose of aligning all charter renewal calendars with the academic calendar. The Board of Regents will vote on the full five year renewal at their March or April meeting that will be effective as of June 30, 2013.

#### **6. Finance Committee**

- Mr. Ganti reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on January 28, 2013, including a presentation of current financial statements.
- The Board discussed the current budget surplus and indicated the need for more in-depth discussion on how to align school mission/goals with surplus expenditure.

## **7. Accountability Committee**

- Mr. Vighram reported on the Accountability Committee meeting held on January 28, 2013, including a presentation of the principal's goals and the results of the second round of interim assessments through the Achievement Network.

## **8. Principal Update**

- Dr. Bond presented the monthly dashboard data and provided an update on the school's website upgrade, teacher mid-term evaluations, parent-teacher conferences and the afterschool tutoring program

## **9. Technology Plan**

- Mr. Winther discussed what is needed for the school to develop and implement a more comprehensive technology plan that ensures the proper infrastructure and true integration with instruction and assessment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

I, Susaye Smith, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of St. HOPE Leadership Academy, a New York education corporation and that the above is a true and complete copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the said corporation held on *(January 31, 2013)* at which a quorum was present throughout.

Dated *(January 31, 2013)*