

GROWING UP GREEN CHARTER SCHOOLS BOARD MEETING

Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023, 7:00pm

Location: Zoom

In attendance:

Matthew Greenberg (GUGCS Founder and Executive Director), Desmond Holliday (Executive Assistant to Matthew Greenberg), Erin Acosta (GUGCS Director of Development), Anita Amoh (GUGCS Director of Finance), Getina Coleman (Director of Support Services at GUG I Elementary School), Danielle Nicosia (Director of Support Services at GUG I Middle School), Nora Patterson (Director of Support Services at GUG II Elementary School), Tameka Jenkins (Director of Support Services at GUG II Middle School), Marc Greenberg (Interim Board Chair), Linda Green (Assistant Board Secretary), Kiah Hufane (Board Trustee), Pastor Corwin Mason, (Board Trustee), Mayan Abecasis (Board Parent Representative), Danielle Williams (Board Trustee), Peter Davis (Board Trustee), Jennifer Slutak (MS1 School Leader), Mark Freidberg, Kim Calichio (GUG I parent), Elena Cruz (GUG I parent & PTO co-president), Ana Soares (GUG I parent), Laura Strache (GUG I parent), Bicia Trivigno (GUG I parent), Cynthia Jimenez (GUG I parent), Mary Crowder (ES1 Teacher), Doug Crowder (ES1 Teacher), Lysie Slachetka (GUG I parent), Joe Kennedy (Special Educator & GUG I parent), Aleise Barnett (GUG I parent), Carmen El Allali (ES1 Teacher), Cody Rae Knue (ES1 Teacher), Daria Malakhova (GUG I parent), Ned Milligan (GUG I parent), Jamie Auriemma (GUG I parent), Barbara Pilotto (GUG I parent), Carmen Andino (GUG I parent), Vicky (GUG I parent), Lizmarly Tapia (GUG I parent), Rachel Legrand (ES1 Teacher), Abigail Lank (GUG I parent), Ms. Ward (ES1 Teacher), Samantha (did not sign in), Lauren Vreeland (GUG I parent), Sarah Ittner (GUG I parent), Omar Bravo (GUG I parent), Monica (did not sign in), Olga Tzunun (GUG II family member), Kersten Russell (did not sign in), Mimi Triguero (GUG I parent), Andrew (did not sign in), Lauren Moskowitz (GUG I parent & PTO Volunteer Coordinator), RJ (did not sign in)

Commencement

Marc Greenberg opened the meeting for Growing Up Green Charter Schools.

Previous Month's Board Meeting Minutes

Marc Greenberg moved to approve the April minutes for the Growing Up Green Charter Schools. Linda Green seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Executive Director Report

Matthew Greenberg presented the executive report for Growing Up Green Charter Schools.

Vote to Approve New Board Member

Marc Greenberg moved to nominate Mark Friedberg to a Board of Trustees position for a term of two years subject to SED's approval process. Pastor Mason seconded the motion; all were in favor. Resolution is included below:

WHEREAS the Board of Growing Up Green Charter Schools has duly held a board meeting on May 23rd, 2023 consistent with its bylaws, and
WHEREAS a quorum of Growing Up Green Charter Schools trustees had, and
WHEREAS discussions concerning an addition of additional board members to the Board of Trustees of Growing Up Green Charter Schools.
WHEREAS a motion to add Growing Up Green Charter Schools as a member(s) to the Board of Trustees was made, and
WHEREAS the above referenced motion was seconded, and thereafter a vote to accept or reject said motion was taken by the Board of Growing Up Green Charter Schools, and
WHEREAS the above referenced motion was duly accepted and passed by Growing Up Green Charter Schools board,
NOW, therefore, the Growing Up Green Charter Schools Board of Trustees, having conducted a thorough criminal history record check via fingerprinting which is deemed acceptable by NYSED, and having discovered no State or federal criminal history, or having provided information regarding such history to NYSED, if found, and having verified that any academic and/or professional credential or qualification presented by the proposed member is genuine, has voted to select Mark Freidberg as a member to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on 2 years from the date of NYSED approval, pending approval by NYSED. The resolution approving the proposed candidate(s) is adopted upon NYSED's approval
I, Linda Green, as Assistant Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Growing Up Green Charter Schools, organized and existing under the laws of New York, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of Growing Up Green Charter Schools at a meeting convened and held May 23rd, 2023 at which a quorum was present and voting throughout and that such resolution is adopted upon NYSED's approval and is in accordance with the provisions of the charter and by-laws of Growing Up Green Charter Schools.

Growing Up Green School Updates

The Directors of Support Services and Enrollment Team presented updates from their respective departments.

Financials

Anita Amoh went through the summary financial reports for Growing Up Green Charter Schools.

Marc Greenberg made a motion to approve the amended subleases for three GUGCS locations. Peter Davis seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Parent Rep Update

Mayan Abecasis gave an update on some happenings at Growing Up Green Charter Schools.

After the meeting was adjourned, public comments were made by Kim Calichio (GUG 1 parent), Elena Cruz (GUG 1 parent & PTO co-president), and Cynthia Jimenez (GUG 1 parent)