

GROWING UP GREEN CHARTER SCHOOLS BOARD MEETING

Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 25th, 2025, 7:00pm

Location: MS1 - 34-12 10th Street, Queens, NY 11106

In attendance:

Matthew Greenberg (GUGCS Founder and Executive Director), Desmond Holliday (GUGCS Development Associate & Executive Assistant), Marc Greenberg (Interim Board Chair), Kwame Flaherty (Board Trustee), Laurenn Hinkle (CSBM Representative), Kiah Hufane (Board Trustee), Meegan Spellman (Board Parent Representative), Anne Levonen (Board Treasurer), Peter Davis (Board Trustee),

Pastor Corwin Mason (Board Trustee),

Quanya McKinley-Grant (GUG Teacher), Rosalia, Kadocia,

Public Comment

No public comments were made prior to the meeting.

Commencement

Marc Greenberg opened the meeting for Growing Up Green Charter Schools at 7:03 pm.

Previous Month's Board Meeting Minutes

Anne Levonen moved to approve the October minutes for the Growing Up Green Charter Schools. Kiah Hufane seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Executive Director Report

Matthew Greenberg presented the executive report for Growing Up Green Charter Schools. He welcomed Kwame Flaherty to the Board, and reminded everyone that the December meeting will be earlier than usual (Dec 16th) due to winter break. He also spoke about the well-attended alumni event that took place at GUG 1 Middle School and the possibility of starting a junior board of trustees. He also touched upon some highlights from the recent staff survey data (98% of staff participated): positive trends in individual purpose, basic needs, leadership efficacy, and outcomes. Kiah Hufane asked a question about areas for growth that were identified by the survey, Matthew said that we need to have a clearer pathway for internal growth within the organization and also room for improvement with leadership efficacy with all staff.

Fundraising Update

Desmond Holliday presented updates regarding fundraising at GUGCS. They gave the Board an update on the Read-a-Thon results (raised over \$6,400 total, including \$1,900 for family grocery assistance), upcoming campaigns and fundraisers (EOY campaign, 7th grade Broadway trip, and the Earth Month Fundraiser), and gave a call to action for 100% Board

participation for the end of year campaign. They also thanked Parent Rep, Meegan Spellman, for making phone calls to major donors and mentioned the upcoming in-person fundraiser in April.

Financials

Laurenn Hinkle went through the summary financial reports for Growing Up Green Charter Schools. All is well and there were no questions from the Board.

Parent Rep Update

Meegan Spellman gave an update on some happenings at Growing Up Green Charter Schools. She spoke about coffee & collaboration, holiday festivities, donation drives, parent-teacher conferences, and the end of year fundraising campaign.

Adjournment

Marc Greenberg adjourned the meeting at 7:38pm, wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.