

BOT Meeting, March 25 , 2021 Minutes

(Virtual Meeting Due to Covid-19)

Board Members in Attendance: Jim Sander, Lucas Doe, Mark Keye, Ted Hurwitz,

Christopher Brignola , Robert Ansbro

Absent: Mark Keye

Administrators in attendance: Norma Hurwitz, Leena Varghese

2:37 PM - Call to order by Board Chair, James Sander

- I. Approval of Minutes for Thursday, February 9, 2021
 - Motion to approve minutes as amended made by Jim Sander, Robert Ansbro seconds, all in favor.

- II. Period 3 Six Week Assessment results, NYS Standardized test 2021 guidelines- Leena Varghese
 - Taking assessments virtually have been somewhat difficult but our students are handling it well
 - We have seen growth, particularly with the number of students meeting the 50 percent and above benchmark.
 - NYS Standardized assessments will take place in ELA and Mathematics
 - The exams are one day each with the second day being optional
 - ALCS will encourage all families, including those who are remote to take assessments.

- III. Updates on the building project
 - Parking lot on 139th Street. The owner is seeking more money than originally agreed on, we are still in negotiations.
 - David Haller has been working diligently to reach reasonable agreements with all neighbors

 - Contract with Signature signed, February 2021. We will need to make a few payments before the bond is finalized.

 - Finalizing the bond offering- There are a few outstanding items which Harris Beach is handling, particularly with the attorney general's office

 - Pre planning building foundation

Ground breaking small ceremony planned for Wednesday, April 14, 2021 afternoon beginning 2:30 or 3:00 PM at 356-362 East 139th Street

- 3:00 p.m. confirmed

IV. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee – Lucas Doe

B. Real Estate Committee – Ted Hurwitz – see notes above

C. Education Committee – Christopher Brignola

- Get ready for the next generation Science Standard Examination in 5th grade. The 4th grade science exam has been removed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Our next Board meeting is Thursday, April 14, 2021 at 2:30 PM