



**Amber Charter School
February Board Minutes
February 15, 2024**

MEETING CHAIR:

Dr. John Gutierrez

MEETING SCRIBE:

Mercedes Minaya

MEETING LOCATION: Kingsbridge Elementary, 3120 Corlear Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463

ATTENDANCE:

Board: Amador Centeno, Tim Day, Dr. Miguelina German, Dr. John Gutierrez, Soledad Hiciano, Luina Muñoz-BlueSpruce, Brad Olsen, Khiera Peña

Staff: Veronica Almedina, Rose Castillo, Sashemani Elliott, Christine Ganey, Kirsys Gomez, Emily Griffin, Gina Mellusi, Mercedes Minaya, Meirelys Ruiz, Mia Thomas, Francina Yaw-Costello

Absent: Robyn Epps, Li'Esha Garcia, Lindsay Marino Long, Kim Ramos

Call to Order

Soledad Hiciano called the meeting to order at 6:11 pm

I. Amber i-Ready Results

- MDA & Co-CEO presented the winter i-Ready results and students' growth and progress from mid-September to mid-January for the network.
- MDA presented the winter i-Ready network reading and math results for grades K-8.
- IW Principal presented the winter i-Ready reading and math results and the next steps for Inwood Elementary.
- KBES Principal presented the winter i-Ready reading and math results and the next steps for Kingsbridge Elementary.
- KBMS Principal presented the winter i-Ready reading and math results and the next steps for Kingsbridge Middle School.
- EH Principal presented the winter i-Ready reading and math results and the next steps for East Harlem Elementary.
- CO-CEO presented the winter i-Ready reading and math results for ELL and IEP students.

II. Co-CEO Report - Reported by Co-CEOs

- Co-CEO reported on the foundation grants that we applied for and were awarded. We received a \$30,000 grant from the Hispanic Federation to get a professional license for a Wistby program for professional development asynchronous work.
- Received a grant from the Infosys Foundation for \$10,000 for a laser cutting machine for our STEAM Program.
- Co-CEO reported on 8th-grade acceptance to catholic high schools and National School Choice Week.
- The Development Chair and COO visited the space where the fundraiser will be held. Save the date for June 6th or June 13th.

III. Board Chair Report

- The Board Chair reported that the next board open house will occur at the Inwood and Kingsbridge campuses next month.
- Interviewed a perspective board member who is a speech specialist. More to come during the next board meeting.

IV. Motion to approve the January 2024 meeting minutes

- Move: Brad Olsen
- Second: Dr. Miguelina German
- Aye: All
- Nay: None
- Abstain: None

V. Motion to adjourn the meeting

- Move: Khiera Peña
- Second: Dr. Miguelina German
- Aye: All
- Nay: None
- Abstain: None

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm