

**YouthBuild Philadelphia Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting
By conference telephone call on December 20, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.**

MINUTES

Attending by Telephone: Keith Anderson, Martin Brigham, Timothy Daniel, Charles Esser, Jared Farbman, Khalilah Lawson, Scott Lillis, Melanie McCottry, James Mergiotti, James Multari, Tiffanie Talley-Baines, David Thomas, Roxanne Tillman, Robert Totaro.

Absent: Graham Brent, Erin Horvat, Kiley Smith Kelly, Sai Yerrapathruni.

Staff attending: Ameen Akbar, Scott Emerick, Eva Lexie.

This special meeting was called to discuss and vote on the proposed expulsions of students DB, IC, and RI. Expulsion hearings were held on December 18, 2018 with Director of Student Life Ameen Akbar, and Tiffanie Talley-Baines attending as the Board representative. Three separate memoranda summarizing each hearing and related recommendations were provided to board members in advance of this meeting.

M. Brigham, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. He thanked T. Talley-Baines for representing the board at the hearings.

DB and IC

- These two students were involved in the same incident, so A. Akbar reviewed the background that led up to both of their hearings. T. Talley-Baines agreed with his account.
- The students each attended their separate hearing and each displayed excellent accountability and a desire to restore.
- The recommendations from A. Akbar and T. Talley-Baines were identical for the two students, as follows:
 - That each student be expelled for the specific dates from Thursday, December 20, 2018 through Friday, December 21, 2018.
 - That each student be reenrolled for the beginning of Session 3 on Thursday, January 3, 2019.
 - That each student complete the final restorative process by meeting with the other student involved.

Fourteen board members were present to vote on the following resolutions:

- **Motion by C. Esser: To approve the recommendation to expel student DB from Thursday, December 20, 2018 through Friday, December 21, 2018. K. Lawson second, motion unanimously approved.**
- **Motion by C. Esser: To approve the recommendation to expel student IC from Thursday, December 20, 2018 through Friday, December 21, 2018. K. Lawson second, motion unanimously approved.**

RI

- A. Akbar reviewed the background that led up to the student's hearing. T. Talley-Baines agreed with his account.
- The student attended the hearing and was fully accountable.
- The recommendations from A. Akbar and T. Talley-Baines were as follows:
 - That the student be expelled for the specific dates from Thursday, December 20, 2018 through Friday, December 21, 2018.
 - That the student be reenrolled for the beginning of Session 3 on Thursday, January 3, 2019.
 - That the student complete the final restorative process by meeting with the other student involved.
 - That the student work with the school's lunch program.

Fourteen board members were present to vote on the following resolution:

- **Motion** by T. Daniel: **To approve the recommendation to expel student RI from Thursday, December 20, 2018 through Friday, December 21, 2018.** R. Tillman second, motion **unanimously approved.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eva S. Lexie