



**MOTT HALL**  
CHARTER SCHOOL  
RISE TO THE CHALLENGE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
**MOTT HALL CHARTER SCHOOL**

**January 15, 2013**

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “**Board**” or “**BoT**”) of the Mott Hall Charter School (the “**MHCS**”), was held at Mott Hall Charter School, Annex of 1260 Franklin Avenue between 168th and 169th Street, Bronx, NY 10459 on January 15, 2013, beginning at approximately 5:30 p.m. local time pursuant to notice duly given.

The following Trustees were present in person at the meeting: **Patrick Awosogba, Xenia Cox, David Tinagero, Natalie Thompson and Francesca Wiending.**

The following Trustees were present via phone: **Sarah Calderon, and Peter Oroszlany.**

The following school staff members participated in person: **Bob Lesser, Executive Director of MHCS and Geovanti Steward, Principal of MHCS.**

**Brenda Bravo, Charles Stern** were absent from the meeting.

No parent(s) attended this meeting.

Xenia Cox presided at this meeting and Natalie Thompson recorded the minutes as secretary.

After noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order. Ms. Cox reviewed the agenda.

**Acknowledgement of the Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

December 18, 2012, meeting minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved by the BoT.

**Executive Director Updates**

- A. Board Packet Review - Mr. Lesser reviewed the contents of the Board Packet. Mr. Lesser gave brief updates on Operations, Finance and Fundraising, Staffing and Accountability.

Mr. Lesser updated the BoT on the complete transition from financial consultants CSBM to Quantum, and that Title I/II funding has been approved.



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Mr. Lesser updated the BoT on the individuals interviewed for the HS Placement position/guidance counselor.

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Social and Emotional Health Youth Development Programs began January 7<sup>th</sup>, with 20 students.

- B. Geovanti Steward, Principal of MHCS gave an update of the Academic Program. State exams are scheduled for 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> week in April.

**Other Business**

Jesse Margolis gave a comprehensive presentation on the development of MHCS's "Whole Child" Accountability System. He reviewed the existing Accountability Landscape for Charter Middle Schools in New York City. (See attachment)

**Forward Agenda**

1. Board Packet Review
2. Committee and Task Force Updates

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

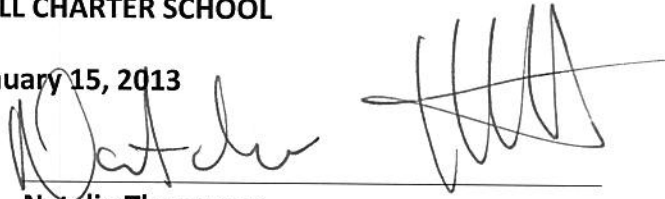


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**Natalie Thompson**  
Secretary

APPROVED:

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**Xenia Cox**  
Officer