

**MINUTES OF THE
HELLENIC CLASSICAL CHARTER – PARK SLOPE
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
HELD ON JANUARY 23, 2020 AT 9:30 a.m.
AT
646 5th AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11215**

MEMBERS AND STAFF

PRESENT

Joy Petrakos	Chief of Operations
Natasha Caban	Principal HCCS-PS
Anastasia Etimos	Guidance Counselor
Christina Portelos	Director of Finance & Operations
Stacy Kokkoros	Business Administrative Assistant

VIA SKYPE CONFERENCE

Cathy Kakleas	Principal HCCS-SI
Charles Capetanakis	Chairman
Harvey Newman	Secretary
Nikolaos Leonardos	Treasurer
Effie Lekas	Member
Grazia Svokos	Member
Dean Angelakos	Member

ABSENT

Christina Tettonis	Superintendent
Nik Mathews	Member/Excused
Dr. Liana Theodoratou	Member/Excused

Mr. Capetanakis chaired the meeting. Joy Petrakos acted as recorder. There were six Board members present at the Board meeting, as such having quorum.

The first item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of the meeting on December 16, 2019. On a motion made by Mr. Newman and seconded by Mrs. Svokos, the minutes were unanimously approved.

CHIEF OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Mrs. Petrakos reported to the Board that the merger for our schools was successfully submitted to the DOE. She thanked the New York State Education Department for giving us an extension to submit. The application was submitted on January 17th, 2020. Additionally, the DOE received the required Letter of Intent to merge on the same day. We have since scheduled a DOE public hearing which will be held on February 12th, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at HCCS-PS to inform the public that HCCS-PS will be merging authorizers with HCCS-SI.

Mrs. Petrakos informed the Board that NYSED Executive Director of The Charter School Office, David Frank and Kimberly Santiago, who is our NYSED liaison, visited the school on January 22, 2020. They had a tour of the school to get a feel of what HCCS-SI will look like in the future. They were very pleased with their visit. They also volunteered to be VIP readers to our students. Mrs. Caban emphasized on ELA with them. They wanted to hear about our ELA instruction and how we get our results each year. They loved our bulletin boards and our daily goals and all things that are routine at Hellenic.

Mr. Frank will visit again on March 4th, 2020 we with special visitors from the United Kingdom.

Mrs. Petrakos reported that the school's permanent loan was approved for extension for an additional year. The bank needs to see the success of HCCS-SI before they can extend it for a longer period of time.

Mr. Capetanakis stated that Albany announced the budget and charter schools should be receiving an increase in the pupil allocation for school year 2020-2021.

Mrs. Petrakos continued to report that the merger will most likely be submitted for Board of Regents approval in March or April. She continued to inform the Board that once she receives the notice she will update the Board. Once approved, it will be effective July 1, 2020.

Mr. Capetanakis called for an executive session. Mr. Newman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.

Mr. Capetanakis moved to executive session. During executive session there were no votes taken.

There being no unfinished business, Mr. Capetanakis asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Lekas. Mr. Newman seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

The next Board meeting will be held at HCCS-PS at 9:30 a.m. on February 27, 2020.

Harvey Newman, Secretary