

**YouthBuild Philadelphia Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting
By conference telephone call on May 23, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Attending by Telephone: Keith Anderson, Martin Brigham, Timothy Daniel, Charles Esser, Erin McNamara Horvat, Scott Lillis, Melanie McCottry, Tiffanie Talley-Baines, Roxanne Tillman, Robert Totaro, Sai Yerrapathruni.

Absent: Graham Brent, Jared Farbman, Kiley Smith Kelly, Khalilah Lawson, James Mergiotti, James Multari, David Thomas.

Staff attending: Eva Lexie, Zuri Stone.

This special meeting was called to discuss and vote on a proposed expulsion. The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Board Chair M. Brigham.

Three expulsion hearings were held on May 22, 2019 with Director of Student Life Zuri Stone, and Tiffanie Talley-Baines attending as the Board representative. Only one of the hearings resulted in an expulsion recommendation. A memorandum summarizing the hearing and related recommendations was provided to board members in advance of this meeting.

Z. Stone spoke about the incident, the hearing process, and the student's level of accountability. T. Talley-Baines added comments. There were questions from board members about details regarding the incident and about how staff follow up on certain student behaviors. Z. Stone answered all the questions, and added that the student will still have a pathway to graduating in November.

The recommendations from the hearing were:

1. That student AB be expelled for the remainder of Session 6-8. The specific date for return would be the start of session 9, predicted to be September 9, 2019.
2. That AB complete a restorative assignment that includes:
 - Restorative check-in meeting upon return
 - A plan for anger management presented at check-in
 - Restorative conversations with the other students involved in the incident before returning to programming.

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

- **Motion** by E. McNamara Horvat: **To approve the recommendations from the expulsion hearing and to expel student AB for the remainder of Session 6 through Session 8, to return at the start of Session 9.** T. Daniel second, motion **unanimously approved.**

Respectfully submitted,

Eva S. Lexie