

**Achievement First Bridgeport Academy**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

May 12, 2021, 8:00 pm

Zoom Video Conference

I. Call to Order and Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 pm by Dick Kalt. The following board members and Achievement First Staff were in attendance:

Dick Kalt - Yes

Rajeev Lakra – Yes

Marlene Macaуда - Yes

Dewey Loselle - Yes

Debra Hertz - Yes

Shalia Garnett - No

Kimberly Bruce - No

Michael Strambler - Yes

Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support

Ruben Felipe – Yes

Ketki Herale, AF Network Support

Ebrima Jobe – Yes

Eduardo del Valle, AF Network Support

II. Open Session for Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Approve Minutes

RESOLVED, the AF Bridgeport Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the meeting minutes from March 18, 2021.

Motion by Debra Hertz

Seconded by Rajeev Lakra

All in favor

IV. Discussion and possible action related to capital improvements to the AF Bridgeport Middle School and Amistad High School Buildings

Eduardo del Valle gave an overview of the proposed project, the financial context, the benefits of the solar panels and the educational component included in the proposal.

The proposal for AF Bridgeport Middle School also includes roof repairs. The solar vendor is responsible for delivering the warrantee, including installation and penetration on the roof.

WHEREAS, the PPP Loan that AF Bridgeport Academy received during FY21, having been fully allocated to employee compensation, has created opportunities to invest additional funds in capital facility improvements, and

WHEREAS, deploying photovoltaic (solar panel) arrays on the rooftops of AF Bridgeport Academy Middle School, located at 529 Noble Ave, Bridgeport and Amistad High School, located at 580 Dixwell Ave, New Haven, is a capital improvement that will create annual cost savings on future utility expenses while also reducing the Amistad High School's carbon footprint,

BE IT RESOLVED, the AF Bridgeport Academy Board of Directors authorizes the aforementioned facilities improvement project for AF Bridgeport Middle School, as presented, and approves spending up to, but not in excess of, \$180K for the purposes of completing the project, and

BE IT RESOLVED, pending approval by the Amistad Academy Board of Directors and the Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors, the AF Bridgeport Board of Directors authorizes the aforementioned facilities improvement project for Amistad High School, as presented, and approves spending up to, but not in excess of, \$120K for purposes of completing the project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Achievement First and its designee are, jointly and severally, authorized and directed, in the name of AF Bridgeport Academy, to take any and all actions and/or submit such documents needed to effectuate the foregoing resolution.

Motion by Rajeev Lakra  
Seconded by Marlene Macauda  
All in favor

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm by Dick Kalt.

Motion by Marlene Macauda  
Seconded by Debra Hertz  
All in favor