BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
The Academy Charter School 2 (Wyandanch)
September 2026

Date: Thursday, September 24, 2026
Time: 7:20 pm – 7:42pm
Facilitator: Robert Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Trustees

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Robert Stewart, Chairman
Dawn West, Vice Chairman
Marie Graham, Trustee
Claudette Harrison, Trustee
Carol Beckles, Trustee

OTHERS PRESENT: Wayne Haughton, President
Nicholas Stapleton, Chief Academic Officer
Sandrea Oneil, Chief Legal & Compliance Officer
Alwayne Burke, Group Chief Financial Officer (Absent)
Felicia Barracks, Chief People & Operations Officer (Absent)
Bishop Barrington Goldson, Chief Executive Officer and Founder

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME**
   Meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Stewart at 7:20pm.

2. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**
   The Minutes of the last meeting was reviewed and approved.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
   There was no public comment recorded.

4. **REPORTS**
   The following reports were presented:

a) President's Report

Presenter: Mr. Wayne Haughton, President

The Board received an update on development and organizational performance:

- Mr. Haughton provided an update regarding the Academy's Career and Technical Education opportunities and ongoing expansion activities.
- Mr. Haughton reported that the Academy was exploring a potential partnership with a nearby state-of-the-art automotive collision and repair organization. The prospective partner had electric vehicle capabilities and certifications associated with major automotive manufacturers. The proposed collaboration could provide Academy CTE students with access to valuable industry training and certification opportunities without the substantial costs normally associated with obtaining such credentials.
- Regarding facilities, Mr. Haughton reported that Site L in Wyandanch had successfully opened after obtaining the required approvals. The facility was operational and serving students.
- Mr. Haughton also provided a construction update. Foundation installation was substantially completed, steel erection had commenced, backfilling was completed, site utilities and sanitary infrastructure were in place, and underground plumbing work was progressing. Board members would be given an opportunity to tour the site.
- Mr. Haughton stated that construction remained on schedule for the planned 2028 opening.

During Board discussion, a question was raised regarding whether future facilities would provide adequate space for athletics and extracurricular programming.

Mr. Haughton explained that the Academy's longer-term plan includes development of a flagship high school facility designed to accommodate academic, extracurricular, athletic, and other programmatic needs. The Academy's recently acquired acreage would support future development, and additional information would be shared with trustees during the planned Board Retreat.

Chairman Stewart requested a motion to accept the President's Report. Moved by Vice Chairman West and seconded by Trustee Beckles. Motioned passed unanimously.

b) Chief Academic Officer's Report

Presenter: Dr. Nicholas Stapleton, Chief Academic Officer

The Board received an update on the academic performance and instructional initiatives:

- Dr. Stapleton provided an update regarding the upcoming charter-authorizer visit. Dr. Stapleton reported that the charter-authorizer visit was scheduled for December 8, 2026. The visit would include classroom observations, meetings with Board members, and a parent focus group.
- A pre-visit conference was scheduled for November 23, 2026, to review the agenda and expectations for the visit.
- Dr. Stapleton reported that the Academy's annual report had been completed and submitted. Based on the available academic data, he expressed confidence regarding the upcoming review.

- The District-wide School Safety Plan was also updated to incorporate the additional Wyandanch facility and ensure that appropriate administrative and safety oversight was in place.
- Regarding enrollment, Dr. Stapleton reported that Wyandanch was generally in a favorable position.

Chairman Stewart requested a motion to accept the Chief Academic Officer's Report. Moved by Trustee Beckles and seconded by Trustee Graham. Motioned passed unanimously.

c) Chief Legal & Compliance Officer's Report
Presenter: Sandrea Oneil**,** Chief Legal & Compliance Officer

The Board received an update on legal, compliance, and community relations matters:

- Mrs. Oneil reported that the Academy's position regarding the consolidated Brentwood and Central Islip litigation remained consistent. Counsel continued preparing the Academy's motions to dismiss and anticipate maintaining substantially the same legal posture previously taken.
- The Academy also anticipate that its charter authorizer would submit its response, providing the Court with a broader record regarding the Academy's community outreach and support associated with the proposed charters.
- Mrs. Oneil also reported on the first Wyandanch Influence Day, held on August 29, 2026.
- The event received significant community participation and provided families with school supplies, book bags, resources, and opportunities to engage directly with Academy representatives. Approximately 500 book bags and related school supplies were distributed.

Board members and Academy leadership described the event as an important demonstration of the Academy's commitment to the Wyandanch community.

Chairman Stewart requested a motion to accept the Chief Legal & Compliance Officer's Report. Moved by Trustee Graham and seconded by Trustee Harrison. Motioned passed unanimously.

d) Group Chief Financial Officer's Report
Presenter: Alwayne Burke, Group Chief Financial Officer (Absent)

The Board was advised that the financial report would be provided during the subsequent reporting cycle, including the appropriate financial information for the applicable periods.

e) Chief People & Operations Officer's Report
Presenter: Felicia Barracks, Chief People & Operations Officer (Absent)

The Chief Operations Officer's Report was presented to the Board during TACS1.

Chairman Stewart requested a motion to accept the Chief People & Operations Officer's Report. Moved by Trustee Graham and seconded by Trustee Harrison. Motioned passed unanimously.

f) Chief Executive Officer's Report
Presenter: Bishop Barrington Goldson, Chief Executive Officer

The Board received an update on leadership development and organizational initiatives.

- Bishop Goldson reflected on the success of Wyandanch Influence Day and the Academy's continued efforts to build meaningful relationships within the community.
- He reported that the Wyandanch charter enrollment requirement was 798 students and that current enrollment stood at approximately 786 students, leaving the Academy approximately twelve students below the requirement at the time of the meeting. Additional students remained in the enrollment process.
- Bishop Goldson recognized the staff and community members who worked throughout the summer to strengthen enrollment and community relationships in Wyandanch.
- He emphasized that the Academy's next phase of development was focused not merely on establishing schools but on building sustainable communities around those schools.
- Lessons learned through the Academy's work in Hempstead, Uniondale, and Wyandanch would inform future efforts in Brentwood and Central Islip.

Chairman Stewart requested a motion to accept the Chief Executive Officer's Report. Moved by Vice Chairman West and seconded by Trustee Beckles. Motioned passed unanimously.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business.

6. NEW BUSINESS
a) Resolution No. 9001-2026 – District-wide School Safety Plan

A Resolution to approve the 2026-2027 District-wide School Safety Plan

The Roll Call vote was conducted as follows:

- Chairman Stewart	- Yes
- Dawn West, Vice Chairman	- Yes
- Marie Graham, Trustee	- Yes
- Claudette Harrison, Trustee	- Yes
- Carol Beckles, Trustee	- Yes

The Resolution was passed unanimously.

7. ADJOURMENT
Chairman Stewart thanked the Board, leadership team, staff, and attendees for their continued support.

With no further business, the Board Chairman Stewart requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn the meeting was moved by Trustee Harrison and seconded by Trustee Graham. Motion was passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 7:42pm.

ATTACHMENT TO 2026
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

RESOLUTION

Resolution hereafter was given a document number and voted on by the Board of Trustees accordingly.

- **Resolution No. 9001-2026 – District-wide School Safety Plan**
  Unanimously passed by the Board of Trustees.