5/11/2026 Dogwood Charter School Board Meeting

Date: May 11, 2026

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Virtual

Monday, May 11, 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Time zone: America/New_York

Google Meet joining info: Video call meet.google.com/mst-qqpx-vgx

Meeting Agenda

An executive session happened prior to the meeting to discuss the financing position. Beth reviewed Building Hope and the application in process.

I. Call to Order: 6:10 p.m

Opening remarks- Roll call and verification of quorum-

Beth Opat: Present

Jen Manch: Present

Shannon Conner: Present

Mark Schnuup: Absent

Christy Gereshenski: Absent

Guest: Brad Swiger- present (non voting)

II. Approval of Minutes

February and April Minutes - Moved until the June meeting

III. Board Discussions:

a. Facility status

1. Architect and Engineer meeting- meeting is scheduled Wednesday May 13th
2. Cost Estimation Meeting- first estimations on renovations where completed on Thursday May 7, 2026
3. Variance Hearing- Meeting held w Bethel Park on Monday May 6. 2026. Dogwood was approved for the variances.

b. School Opening
    i. Open enrollment: Currently open, state number of applicants- 27 families as of Monday, May 11, 2026
    ii. Lottery date: proposing June 2nd virtually
    iii. Calendar: discuss half days
    iv. Marketing: postcard completed, first social media ad and yard signs in progress. Who will place yard signs? (Will we need a solicitation permit for each borough these signs are placed in?) Advertising folder created under the nonprofit folder for proofs, community days
    v. Professional Development: Teen and Outreach, Dr. Matt, Heather is also reaching out for a PBIS coordinator
    vi. Second informational meeting this year held virtually May 6 at 7:00 pm - Meeting had 17 families in attendance.

c. Financial
    i. Review of Financials
        1. 2026/2027 Budget and proforma review will be posted to the website, and needs to be approved in June
        2. Grant Reimbursements: 2 have been submitted, one received
        3. Building Hope CDFI- bridge loan is submitted.

d. Human Resources
    i. Teachers: hiring application to go out
    ii. New Board Members: when should we seek more
    iii. Policies: Butler and Agnew sent examples
    iv. 1099's proposed

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items

-Open the floor to public comments on agenda items

-Open the floor to public comments on non-agenda items

Note: Time per speaker may be limited based on the number of participants

V. Action Items

1. Technology Advisor 1099- motion by Beth, second by Shannon, unanimously approved

2. Summer Director of Curriculum and Instruction 1099- motion by Jen, second by Shannon, unanimously approved
3. Administrative Assistant 1099- motion by Beth, second by Shannon, unanimously approved
4. Lottery Date public June 2nd, 6.30p- motion by Beth, second by Shannon, unanimously approved
5. Building Hope CDFI bridge loan- motion by Beth, second by Shannon, unanimously approved

VI. Motion to adjourn. 7.07 pm, Beth, second by Shannon, unanimously approved