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Williamsburg Charter High School

Chartering New Land

Calendar

ISSP Conferences	11/01 11/02
Advisory Trip Day	11/06
Thanksgiving Holiday	11/19- 11/23

RESOLUTION

APPROVING THE ENGAGEMENT OF CIVIC BUILDERS for the purpose of ACQUIRING A PERMANENT FACILITY FOR THE WILLIAMSBURG CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Board of the Williamsburg Charter High School has elected to begin the process of strategically planning for a future permanent facility

WHEREAS, the Board of the Williamsburg Charter High School has determined that Civic Builders, the only established, non-profit facilitator and developer of Charter School Facilities in New York City has the capacity to assist the school in this process

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that Civic Builders is the best possible candidate to assist it in this process

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD of the WILLIAMSBURG CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Approves the engagement of Civic Builders to conduct the following on its behalf:

Needs Analysis, Site Analysis and Neighborhood Analysis, Building Due Diligence, Financing, Purchase, Design and Construction of the proposed Williamsburg Charter High School Facility.

Approved and adopted the 30th day of October 30th 2007

The object of a school is to carry the child as far as possible in its knowledge of the accumulated wisdom of the world.

-W.E.B. Dubois

Eddie Calderon-Melendez,
C.E.O.

Student Profile

This section of our newsletter will focus weekly on a student in our school. They may be an old student, a new student, a student who has performed some random act of kindness or the student of the month. At any rate this space is reserved to profile the individuals for whom this school was created-our students. If you have suggestions on who we should profile next please forward it to Joseph in the development office.

Ray Persaud - Senior

Ray is happy to be a member of our first graduating class and he is looking forward to hosting graduation as one of the 8 Masters of Ceremony. As a student at the WCHS, Ray has accomplished a lot over the past four years. He is consistently among the top ten of his class while taking both Advanced Placement and Honors courses and is currently a member of the National Honors Society, the Senior Committee, and the Gentlemen's Club. As if he wasn't busy enough, Ray serves as the Editor in Chief of the yearbook and he works part-time in the CEO's office.

This past summer he went to Brazil for over 2 weeks and participated in an intense Capoeira training program. Ray began taking Capoeira when it was offered at the school during his freshman and sophomore years and he continues to take classes on Fridays and Sundays outside of school. Although Ray already has a date to the prom, he remains an eligible bachelor. If you haven't had the pleasure of meeting Ray yet, you should make it a point to introduce yourself to him as soon as possible, because before you know it he will be in college.

Staff Profile

Ms. Racquel Brown

Ms. Brown is the executive assistant in the CEO's office. She has been working for Eddie Calderon-Melendez, the Chief Executive Officer, for over 12 years. That being said, not only is she one of the founding staff members of the Williamsburg Charter High School, but she also played an instrumental role in the production of the charter before the school even opened. Whether it involved photocopying, collating, or correspondence with the chancellor himself, she handled each of her tasks with competence, making the opening of the school possible.

For those of you who have had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Brown as either a co-worker or a student, you know that it is her way, or no way at all. Despite your first, second, or maybe even third impression of her, she really is kindhearted. It is her responsibility to keep Mr. Melendez on track, and for those of you who have ever witnessed Mr. Melendez in action you should already know this is no easy task. Ms. Brown is the only person capable of keeping Mr. Melendez focused, while simultaneously keeping the everyday functions of the school running smoothly. She is also the proud mother of a 5 year old daughter who looks and acts just like her. She is a wonderful mother and an exceptional Executive Assistant.

Reminder:

Mr. Melendez, Mrs. S, and Ms. Bennett
are available in Room 432 every Friday 12:00-1:00 p.m.
for teachers only. Light refreshments are served and
announcements are made around 12:30, followed by an open forum
for teachers to discuss any issues of interests or concern to them.

We hope to see you there!

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