



Paul Robeson Charter School

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 – 4:00 PM

I. Call to Order by Board Secretary – 4:02 PM

II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and is open to the public. Notices were duly posted and the meeting was advertised in The Trentonian and The Times of Trenton. Formal action will be taken.

III. Roll Call

Voting Members	Role (Term Expires)	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Kenneth Somberg	President	X		
Vijay Aggarwal	Vice-President	X		
Thomas Rebar	Member	X		
Chuck Freyer	Member	X		
Alex Fajardo	Member	X		
Bryant Blount	Member	X		

Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent	LA/ED
John Amenda	Young Scholars	X		
Freya Lund	School Director	X		LA 4:20
Becca Chazin	Young Scholars	X		
Katherine Lamilla	Young Scholars	X		
Kristen Tini	Young Scholars	X		
Brian Falkowski	School Business Office	X		
Regina Bell	Behavior Intervention Coordinator	X		LA 4:15/ED 4:45

IV. Oath of Office – Bryant Blount

V. Discussion

1. Goal Setting
2. HIB Assessment
3. Renewal preparation
4. Gender Identity & Expression and Transgender Students Policy Review

VI. Motion for Approval

1. To approve the 1st Reading of the Policy # 57.56M.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vijay Aggarwal	2	X				Chuck Freyer		X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo		X			
Kenneth Somberg	1	X				Bryant Blount		X			

VII. Updates

1. Enrollment

Grade	Aug 2021	Sep 2021	Oct 2021	Nov 2021	Dec 2021	Jan 2022	Feb 2022	Mar 2022	Apr 2022	May 2022	Jun 2022	Waitlisted 2021-2022
3	52	50	52	52								12
4	78	78	77	77								15
5	78	77	78	78								43
6	73	75	76	76								56
7	75	75	73	73								25
8	78	78	78	78								15
Total	428	432	434	434								168

2. Emergency Drill Log
3. Talent and Certification
4. Special Education Files Audit Update
5. Buildings and Grounds
6. Building Update and Friends of entity (Level Field joins at 5:00pm)

VIII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Paul Robeson Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the **October 5, 2021** board meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vijay Aggarwal		X				Chuck Freyer	1	X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo	2	X			
Kenneth Somberg		X				Bryant Blount		X			

IX. Motions for Approval

1. Finance

- a. Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Report: To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for October 2021, as per the attached. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(a), the Paul Robeson Charter School Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, as of October 2021, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the school's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- b. Transfers: Approve transfers up to October 31, 2021.
- c. Bills List: To approve the Bills/Check List from October 6, 2021 through November 30, 2021.
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

October 15, 2021	\$184,477.01
October 30, 2021	\$186,933.10
November 15, 2021	\$179,933.29
November 30, 2021	\$186,008.17

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Vijay Aggarwal	1	X				Chuck Freyer		X			
Thomas Rebar	2	X				Alex Fajardo		X			
Kenneth Somberg		X				Bryant Blount		X			

2. Student Trips - none

3. Buildings & Grounds

- a. To approve the following contracts:

Company	Amount and Description
Mylo	Boiler Quotes – Mylo (\$11k - boiler); waiting on second quote from Hutchinson, but will be much less; due to emergency that caused school closure 11/30/21.
Alliance	Plumbing – fix sewage tank sealing in gym basement - \$787

- b. Motion to authorize the School Leader to select the lowest qualified bidder pending attorney review for Custodial Services.

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Vijay Aggarwal	2	X				Chuck Freyer	1	X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo		X			
Kenneth Somberg		X				Bryant Blount		X			

4. Personnel

- a. To approve/ratify updated new hires:

Employee	Position	Pay Rate	Position Duration (10/12)
Mariangeli Garcia	Teacher	\$--,---	10-month

- b. To approve/ratify the resignation of the following staff member:

Employee	Position	Resignation Date
Stacie Sooy	Teacher	December 1, 2021

- c. To approve/ratify the following staff stipends:

Employee	Position	Stipend Reason	Stipend Amount
Joshua Saar	Assistant Soccer Coach	Assisted with both soccer teams this fall, attending games, supporting at practices, etc.	\$1,200
Alumni	Soccer Assistant	Support with soccer teams	\$550
Cintella Spotwood	Boys Basketball Coach	Lead basketball practice and all games	\$2,200
Steve Carney	Boys Assistant Coach	Support with practice & games	\$1,200
Ashanti Waters	Girls Basketball Coach	Lead basketball practice and all games	\$2,200
Suleymi Ostolaza	Girls Assistant Coach	Support with practice & games	\$1,200
Lida Geraci	Dance Coach	Lead dance practice and all games	\$2,200
Alumni	Dance Assistant	Support dance team	\$550
Jenna McKinney	Softball Coach	Lead softball practice and all games	\$2,200
Suleymi Ostolaza	Softball Assistant Coach	Support with practice & games	\$1,200

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Vijay Aggarwal	2	X				Chuck Freyer	1	X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo		X			
Kenneth Somberg		X				Bryant Blount		X			

5. Finance

- a. To approve to proceed with Extension #3 concerning the property.

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Vijay Aggarwal	1	X				Chuck Freyer		X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo	2	X			
Kenneth Somberg		X				Bryant Blount		X			

6. Curriculum/Special Education

Department	Vendor	Amount
Q2 7th & 8th grade texts	B&N	\$1,342.40
Health Curriculum	ETR: Health Smart	\$1,449.96
Art Supplies	n/a	\$368.52

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Vijay Aggarwal		X				Chuck Freyer	1	X			
Thomas Rebar	2	X				Alex Fajardo		X			
Kenneth Somberg		X				Bryant Blount		X			

7. Policy/Miscellaneous

- a. To approve the HIB Assessment
- b. To approve the Evergreen Goals as per discussion

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Vijay Aggarwal		X				Chuck Freyer		X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo	2	X			
Kenneth Somberg	1	X				Bryant Blount		X			

X. Executive Session - None

XI. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session

XII. New Business - None

XIII. Public Comment

XIV. Important Dates

1. Renewal Site Visit – Thursday, December 16, 2021
2. Next board meeting - Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Adjournment – 6:28 PM

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Vijay Aggarwal		X				Chuck Freyer	1	X			
Thomas Rebar		X				Alex Fajardo		X			
Kenneth Somberg	2	X				Bryant Blount		X			