

**Meeting of the Board of Trustees of
Young Scholars Charter School (“YSCS”)
August 10, 2016**

The meeting was convened by Board Chair Wayne Weisman on August 10, 2016 at 4:00 pm at Young Scholars Charter School. This Board of Trustees meeting was held in accordance with Public Meeting Law i/a/w/ Section 4 of the Sunshine Act. In addition to Mr. Weisman, attending in person or by phone were Trustees Tom Rebar, Carmon Harvey, Kevin Kan, Dana Dwirantwi, and Courtney Disston. In addition to the Trustees, the meeting included guests from Young Scholars Melissa Campbell, John Amenda, Lauren Marlowe, and Tracey Geller; Jocie Dye from Scholar Academies; and Kevin Corcoran from Charter Choices.

The meeting began with a welcome from Mr. Weisman and a review of the meeting’s agenda.

Mr. Weisman then moved into discussion topics.

Executive Director Mr. John Amenda provided an update regarding the 2015-16 year-end results and described how the goal setting process was adjusted this year in light of the results. Mr. Amenda also outlined the new organizational structure for YSCS going forward. Mr. Amenda introduced the Board to Kevin Corcoran of Charter Choices, which will be responsible for providing financial services to YSCS beginning in September 2016.

Jocie Dye from Scholar Academies provided a debriefing on the transition of financial services to Charter Choices.

Mr. Weisman then turned to Committee Reports.

Courtney Disston of the Development Committee solicited input from the Board members regarding this past year’s art auction and whether the Board should consider other fundraisers. This will be a subject of further discussion going forward. The Board also discussed exploring different options for resourcing development work.

Mr. Weisman then turned the floor to Kevin Kan of the School Performance Committee. Mr. Kan deferred his time given the report provided by Mr. Amenda earlier in the meeting.

Next, Carmon Harvey of the Nominating and Governance Committee highlighted the need to expand the Board and solicited the Board for suitable candidates. A discussion also was had about soliciting local members of the former Scholar Academies Board.

Finally, Tom Rebar of the Finance and Audit Committee referred back to the information already provided by Ms. Dye relating to YSCS’s finances.

Mr. Weisman then moved the Board to resolutions and consent agenda items.

Mr. Weisman presented the minutes from the June 3, 2016 meeting, which were moved for approval. The motion was seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Mr. Weisman then presented for approval a resolution to certify the YSCS Rent Reimbursement. A motion was made to approve the resolution, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

Mr. Weisman then presented, upon the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, a resolution to approve the Charter Choices Contract. A motion was made to approve the resolution, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

Mr. Weisman then presented a resolution for approval of an agreement with Paul Robeson Charter School under the general terms as detailed in management contract. A motion was made to give Board Chair Wayne Weisman the authority to finalize and execute the agreement under those terms, which was seconded and unanimously approved.

The Board then considered for approval six separate policies. The Board asked a number of questions regarding each and motions were made to approve the following: ELL Policy, SPED Policy, McKinney Vento Policy, and Behavior Policy manual with revisions discussed. The motions were seconded and unanimously approved.

Upon further discussion, the Board decided to revisit at the next meeting the Volunteer Policy and the Public Hearing Policy pending further review and input by the YSCS team.

Mr. Weisman then opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

Mr. Amenda then reminded the Board about important upcoming dates, including next year's board meeting dates and the YSCS Back to School Kick-off Event, to which he invited all Board members to attend.

At 5:24, the Board adjourned to an Executive Session to discuss privileged and confidential legal matters; this session lasted until 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Weisman adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.