



Palisades Charter High School

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday February 11, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location

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Trustees Present

Amir Ebtehadj (remote), Andrew Paris (remote), Jessica Recinos (remote), Kiumars Arzani (remote), Maggie Nance (remote), Martha Monahan (remote), Minh Ha Ngo (remote), Nicholas Albonico (remote), Roger Crystal (remote), Sara Margiotta (remote)

Trustees Absent

Kristina Irwin

Ex Officio Members Present

Dr. Pam Magee (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

Dr. Pam Magee (remote)

Guests Present

Charlie Speiser (remote), Jeff Roepel (remote), Joseph Lin (remote), Rafael Negroe (remote)

I. Opening Items

A.

Call the Meeting to Order

Sara Margiotta called a meeting of the board of trustees of Palisades Charter High School to order on Tuesday Feb 11, 2025 at 5:07 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Public Comment

Randy Tenan-Snow: Excited about this evening, her concern is that whatever site chosen has access to public transportation.

GOOGLE FORM PUBLIC COMMENT:

Anonymous: Thank you Maggie Nance for pushing for the team to specify that we were likely online for at least 7 more weeks. I recognize everyone is working tirelessly to make an in-person solution, and we fully recognize that it could be longer but there's tremendous value for parents and students to be able to manage our own expectations.

Anonymous: As you make plans for the kids to come back in person, I hope you will consider two things. Both are related to making sure you get a full picture of the needs of the entire Pali community.

First, I think you should do a survey to find out how many families will be requesting to stay online for the remainder of the semester. Knowing how many families will request to stay online would be instructive for understanding how many students you'd actually need to accommodate in person; and if there are a lot of students who want to continue online, also for deciding on the appropriate length of the school day for the rest of this semester. Half-day Zoom school has been tolerable for my child, but a full-day on Zoom would be torturous.

Second, Pali prides itself on providing an excellent extracurricular experience, so I hope you will also consider all the extracurricular programs when deciding the length of the school day for the remainder of this semester. I know it will be nearly impossible for the boys tennis team to practice at all if we go back to a full-day schedule, because their regular courts (at Pali Park and on campus) are not available to them yet, and it will be nearly impossible to secure courts anywhere in the city after the end of the regular school day. I imagine there are other teams/programs that may only be able to practice/rehearse right now because they can do so in the early afternoon when no one else is using the field/gym/courts/theater.

Thank you for your consideration.

Anonymous: I'm very encouraged to see that the Board is in the final stages of negotiating the contract for a temporary campus site. I have no preference for either

location; I just ask that the Board selects the most expeditious option to get our children back to in-person instruction. This should be the only priority. These students have lost their town, their high school, and many have lost their homes. We owe it to them to return to some sense of normalcy and community as quickly as possible. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Anonymous: Will you be reopening 'open session' after the closed session and reporting back on the vote. I know you can't answer this directly during the public comment but hopefully it can be addressed at some point during the meeting. Thank you for everything you are doing for our children!

D. Announce items for closed session, if any.

II. Closed Session

A. Conference with Real Property Negotiators

The board went into closed session at 5:15pm.

III. Open Session

A. Return to Open Session

The board returned to open session at 7:25pm.

B. Report Out on Action Taken In Closed Session, If Any.

The Chair reported that the Board of Trustees has selected a location for Pali High's temporary site and is pending final contractual negotiations that should be concluded in two to three days. Work will begin immediately so that students can return to in-person learning by March of 2025.

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amir Ebtehadj