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# Young Scholars Charter School

# Minutes

## Regular Board Meeting

**Date and Time**
Tuesday June 10, 2025 at 4:00 PM

**Location**
Virtual

This meeting is being held in compliance with Open Meeting requirements of the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act and is open to the public.  Notices were duly posted and the meeting was advertised in The Philadelphia Daily News. Formal action will be taken.

**Trustees Present**
A. Wang (remote), B. Harrison (remote), B. Young (remote), E. Kaplin (remote), J. Brown (remote), J. Wang (remote), L. Umbrecht (remote), R. Halpern (remote), S. Piltch (remote), T. Rebar (remote), W. Churchill (remote), W. Weisman (remote)

**Trustees Absent**
G. Singer

**Guests Present**
A. Wright (remote), J. Amenda (remote), K. Corcoran (remote), K. Lamilla (remote), K. Tini (remote), S. Smith (remote)

### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

W. Churchill called a meeting of the board of trustees of Young Scholars Charter School to order on Tuesday Jun 10, 2025 at 4:00 PM.

## II. Board Discussion Topics

### A. Dashboard

John Amenda gave the standard review of year-to-date performance on the school's dashboard.

### B. High School Admissions

The list of high schools where graduating 8th graders are attending was shared with the Board. 100% of all 8th graders successfully matriculated.

### C. Principal Hire and Talent Update

Shakira Smith announced that the school hired a new Principal, Lauren Byrd.

### D. Enrollment Decisions and Budget

Mr. Amenda gave an update on enrollment numbers for the 25-26 school year and any budget adjustments that may occur.

### E. Student Health Initiative

A wellness proposal from InSite Health was reviewed with the board. The proposal included onsite psychiatrist visits and mental health counselors 5 days a week.

### F. Fundraising Needs

The list of fundraising needs for the 25-26 school year was reviewed with the board. The fundraising needs include nursing services, mental health services, transportation, high impact tutoring, athletics, and technology.

### G. Land Progress

Mr. Amenda shared renderings of future school building reconfigurations and additions.

### H. Special Education Cyclical Monitoring Report

The school's special education cyclical monitoring report was shared with the board for compliance purposes.

### I. Committee Updates Where Applicable

Kevin Corcoran from Vertex Education gave the standard review of the schools year-to-date finances.

## III. Approval of Minutes

### A. Resolved that the Board approve the Regular session minutes from the May 6, 2025 meeting.

W. Churchill made a motion to approve the minutes from May 6, 2025 Regular Board Meeting on 05-06-25.
R. Halpern seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## IV. Motions for Approval

### A. To accept the appointment of Robin Halpern as Board Chair effective June 10, 2025

W. Churchill made a motion to accept the appointment of Robin Halpern as Board Chair effective June 10, 2025.
E. Kaplin seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## V. Executive Session

### A. 24-25 School Safety Report

The board went into Executive Session to review the 24-25 School Safety Report.

## VI. 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 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. Churchill