



Pharos Academy Charter School

Pharos Academy Charter School Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday May 15, 2025 at 6:30 PM EDT

Location

<https://bronxlighthouse.zoom.us/j/5239033349>

All meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Pharos Academy Charter School are held in compliance with New York State Open Meeting Law.

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17 Brady Avenue New Rochelle, NY

15 Broad Street, NY, NY

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!

**PHAROS ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
DE LA JUNTA ADMINISTRATIVA**

Realizamos todas las reuniones de la Junta Administrativa de la escuela Pharos Academy Charter School conforme a la Ley de Reuniones Abiertas del Estado de Nueva York.

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:30 PM
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A. Record Attendance and Guests		Maria Dorsey	5 m
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Jarrod Sowell	5 m
• Call the Meeting To Order			
II. Public Comments			6:40 PM
Academic Excellence			
A. Public Comments	Discuss	Jarrod Sowell	30 m
• Board Meeting attendees are invited to address the Board			
III. PHACS Scholar Presentation			7:10 PM
A. PHACS Scholar Presentation	Discuss	Travis Brown	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 2025 presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ College application, acceptance, funding - scholar presentation 			
IV. Board Governance			7:10 PM
CEO Support And Eval			
A. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Jarrod Sowell	2 m
Review the Agenda Approve Minutes- VOTE REQUIRED Approve minutes for Pharos Academy Charter School Board Meeting on April 10, 2025			
B. Board Bios and Resumes	FYI	Courtney Russell	5 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHACS Website • Upcoming Charter Renewal • Please submit to Courtney via email by May 1, 2025 • Review draft bio here 			
C. Executive Director Evaluation	FYI	Jarrod Sowell	2 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Director Evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Board on Track Board component ◦ Priority Goals being established by Dr. Brown and Courtney 			
D. 2025 - 2026 Board Meeting Calendar	FYI	Courtney Russell	2 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 - 2026 Board Meeting Calendar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Can be approved at June meeting 			
V. Follow Up Items			
VI. Finance Committee Review			7:21 PM
A. Finance Committee Report	Vote	Jarrod Sowell	10 m

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• Review & Discuss Financial Report			
B. Investment Account Update	FYI	Keyur Shah	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment Account Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A, next update July 2025 			
C. Items Over 50K	FYI	Courtney Russell	2 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lighting upgrades <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Law 88 and Local Law 97 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.nyc.gov/site/buildings/codes/ll88-lighting-system-upgrades-sub-meter-installation.page (88) https://www.nyc.gov/site/buildings/codes/ll97-greenhouse-gas-emissions-reductions.page (97) Cafeteria Tables 			
D. 401K - New Employee Benefit	Discuss	Travis Brown	10 m
E. FY26 Insurance Update	FYI	Courtney Russell	2 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12% expected increase Will be included in FY26 budget Applications submitted April 9, hope to have firm numbers for June meeting 			
F. 2025 Pharos Scholarship	Discuss	Joseph Rivera	5 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 Pharos Scholarship - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ypeK_9PQOwZMVMUxWB2ZIZwdJV4ysWKM-M8icaE4D8/edit?usp=drive_link (details) https://forms.gle/3M9oTaAJnCNZWA1r8 (application) Committee has finalized criteria, application shared with scholars 			
G. FY26 Budget Update	FYI	Jarrold Sowell	2 m
VII. Executive Director's Report			7:52 PM
A. Executive Director's Report	Discuss	Travis Brown	15 m

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• Executive Director's Abbreviated Review			
VIII. Academic Committee Report			8:07 PM
A. Academic Committee Report	Discuss	Travis Brown	10 m
• Present report			
IX. Facilities			8:17 PM
A. Facilities Update	FYI	Courtney Russell	5 m
• RFP for Cleaning Services			
◦ Launched May 1. 2025			
X. Executive Session			8:22 PM
A. Executive Session	Discuss	Courtney Russell	15 m
• Executive Session			
XI. Closing Items			8:37 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Discuss	Jarrod Sowell	5 m
• Meeting Highlights Review			
• Next Meeting: June 12, 2025			
• Meeting Adjourn			