



Pharos Academy Charter School

Minutes

Pharos Academy Charter School Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday July 21, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Location

Pharos Academy Charter School

1001 Intervale Avenue

Bronx, NY 10459

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

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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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Trustees Present

B. Thompson (remote), J. Lopez-Molina (remote), J. Sowell (remote), S. Beier (remote), S. Sutherland (remote), T. Perez (remote), T. South (remote)

Trustees Absent

K. Shah, R. Granado, S. Jean-Jacques

Guests Present

C. Russell (remote), Dr. Rahesha Amon (remote), M. Dorsey (remote), T. Brown (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Lopez-Molina called a meeting of the board of trustees of Pharos Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Jul 21, 2022 at 6:35 PM.

II. Board Governance

A. Approve Minutes

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to approve the minutes from Pharos Academy Charter School Board Meeting on 06-16-22.

B. Thompson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Finance Committee Review

A. Finance Committee Report

Finance Report- All is looking well. No investment report until next month.

4th Sector still wrapping up FY22 and will reconcile all the numbers.

No deficit and a small surplus is anticipated.

Kate from MMB participated in the July Finance Call with a brief summary of audit activities.

Audit currently in progress and work will continue with Scholar, Finance files, HR Files and 401K files.

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to Approve the June 2022 Financials.

J. Sowell seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Investment Account Update

No Investment Report this month.

C. Expenses Over 50K, Navigating Forward

IV. COVID-19 Updates

A. COVID-19 Updates

COVID-19 - Nothing significant to report. Testing is still taking place at the school.

Students are still required to wear mask and nothing major to report at this time.

Weekly testing Impact Report was shared with the Board.

V. Culture Committee Report

A. Culture Committee Report

No update at this time.

Response to the Staff gift that was presented was discussed.

Staff appreciated the generosity of the Board and School Leadership.

Committee will consider changing the meeting time and will reach out to Principal Brown for support.

VI. Academic Committee Report

A. Academic Committee Report

Principal Brown shared enrollment summary with the Board.

Grade by grade wait list numbers shared with the greatest numbers in K, 6th, 9th Grades.

Over enrollment considering the natural attrition that takes place within the school year.

Waitlist Data Presented and Discussed:

Grade Level entry testing not permitted - Lottery procedures

K-8 Enrollment seats scarcity mentioned

Sibling enrollment process

2022 Graduation Rate Date presented:

Onetime - 64% June'22 , 19% August'22 - Totaling 83% OnTime Graduation Rate

7% - January'23

10% - June'23

Full Graduation Rate, ELA Testing and Graduation Follow up.

Full picture will be presented in August 2022 as data is being compiled and prepared for presentation.

Aviation Program to be launched in September 2022.

Ground Hours will be made available for Scholars.

Parents will opt into additional flight over the weekend.

After School Program - FY23 (High School Students)

Summer Energy Program (Partnership w/American Association of Blacks In Energy)

First HS Chapter - 6 Week Program learning about Energy and Sustainability - 2 Science Credits can be earned.

Summer Boost Program - Donors will be coming out to school in August 2022

VII. Facilities

A. Facilities Update

Major activities reported related to the Fire Restoration at 1001 INTERVALE AVE.:

1. Final stages in Fire Repair - 95% Complete
2. Phones and internet work should be wrapped up within the next few weeks.
3. Reimbursement insurance funds are in process to support payment for the vendor related expenses related to the fire restoration.

VIII. Executive Session

A. Scholar Matter

B. Board of Trustees Interview

Vote for Board candidate Dr.Rahesha Amon

Unanimous vote of “no” except for Briar and Javier who voted “abstain”

C. Personnel Matter

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Entered into Executive Session- 8:00 PM

Exited out of Executive Session- 8:13 PM

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Dorsey