



Pharos Academy Charter School

Minutes

Pharos Academy Charter School Board Meeting (Zoom Only)

Date and Time

Thursday May 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Location

Pharos Academy Charter School

1001 Intervale Avenue

Bronx, NY 10459

<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.

Date: April 20, 2023

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: 1005 Intervale Avenue, Bronx, NY 10459

Other Location(s): <https://bronxlighthouse.zoom.us/j/5239033349>

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.

Día: 20 abril, 2023

Hora: 6:30 p.m.

Lugar: 1005 Intervale Avenue, Bronx, NY 10459

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

Trustees Present

B. Thompson (remote), J. Lopez-Molina (remote), J. Sowell (remote), K. Shah (remote), R. Granado (remote), S. Beier (remote), S. Jean-Jacques (remote), S. Sutherland (remote), T. Perez (remote)

Trustees Absent

T. South

Guests Present

C. Russell (remote), M. Dorsey, T. Brown

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 May 18, 2023 at 6:35 PM.

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

Recommendation for PTA representation during the public comments.

III. Board Governance

A. July 2023 - June 2024 Board Meeting Calendar

Calendar presented for Board review. Every 3rd Thursday of the month, the Board Meeting has been scheduled.

Month by Month the State has been continuing to allow remote meetings. This may change in the future due to the change in the status of the Pandemic.

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to approve the July 2023 - June 2024 Board Meeting Calendar.

B. Thompson seconded the motion.

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

Additional Items Discussed:

Board recruitment to be discussed to bring in new board members.

Board membership renewals are arriving soon.

Board meeting policy - Video Conference Resolution

Board recommended working with Scholars with Presentations

B. Approve Minutes

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to approve the minutes from Pharos Academy Charter School Board Meeting on 04-20-23.

K. Shah seconded the motion.

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

C. PHACS Bylaws

To be discussed after the Board has participated in a pole to schedule a time that is convenient for all to participate.

D. Discipline Process

Work in progress, no comments at this time. Additional meetings are scheduled.

E. PHACS 2023 Scholarship Presentations

Funds are available for funding for all Scholars if that is the decision of the Board. Communication with previous scholarship awardees has been inconsistent, which has provided available funds.

Some scholars are attending with full scholarships, so they may not need the funds.

What does a person with the full ride do with the scholarship funds.

The Board may need to review the following:

1. Scholarship eligibility

2. How the funds are being used.
3. What does the board want the funds to be used for
4. Scholar enrollment status
5. Mentorship Programs

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to All finalist will be awarded scholarships with the STEM award recipient being Isabela.

S. Beier seconded the motion.

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

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to Robert will delegate the recipient of the Granado Scholarship Award and will disclose this information to Courtney Russell at a later date.

B. Thompson seconded the motion.

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

F. 23 -24 Registration/Enrollment Update

IV. Finance Committee Review

A. Finance Committee Report

Financials discussed with time spent discussing the budget.

Powerpoint document presented to the Board for review of the FY2024 Budget, Contingency Plan , Enrollment planning, Personnel Budget, Salary Analysis and Revenue Driver

Overall looking to add a few new staff and salary increase projected for the FY2024 School Year.

B. Investment Account Update

C. Expenses Over 50K, Navigating Forward

CDW-Government / HP Chromebook Replacement , fully grant funded.

K. Shah made a motion to Approve the HP Chromebook contingent on receiving the grant.

B. Thompson seconded the motion.

Based on bylaws are not in conflict with procurement of product.

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

D. FY24 Budget Update

K. Shah made a motion to Approve the FY2024 Budget.

J. Sowell seconded the motion.

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

E. FY24 Budget Vote

V. Academic Committee Report

A. Academic Committee Report

High School Graduation Date. 6/28/2023 , Wednesday at 6:00 PM

HS Graduation Rate will be above the 90% rate.

NY State Testing was finished in April and May (English in April

Final testing will be in June 2023

HS Scholars will take the regents exams in June 2023

Results for NY State Testing will be available in August 2023.

VI. Facilities

A. Facilities Update

Preparing for Summer deep cleaning and nothing major to report at this time.

Broker still working on Insurance pricing and information will be provided at a later date.

VII. 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 8:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Dorsey