



Pharos Academy Charter School

Minutes

PHACS Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday January 15, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location

<https://pharosbx.zoom.us/j/5239033349?pwd=2WLTisGPjTdftRJ9m7yHYDr1je2xYw.1>

1005 Intervale Avenue
Bronx, NY 10459
4th Floor

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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752 Hickory Hill Road, Wyckoff, NJ 07417

1534 N Halstead Street, Chicago, IL 60642

326 McClellan Avenue, Mt. Vernon, NY 10553

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

G. Garcia (remote), J. Lopez-Molina (remote), J. Sowell (remote), K. Shah, P. Wesonga (remote), T. Perez (remote), T. South, V. Angeles (remote)

Trustees Absent

J. Rivera

Guests Present

C. Russell, 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 Jan 15, 2026 at 6:30 PM.

II. Board Governance

A. Approve Minutes

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to approve the minutes from PHACS Monthly Board Meeting on 12-18-25.

P. Wesonga seconded the motion.

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

B. Board Governance - Best Practices (Part I of II)

Jarrod discussed best practices for Board Governances

Board Members should have school email address. Board advised to start using their assigned school email address.

Fiduciary Duties Discussed:

1. Attend Board meetings, Read and Exercise Due diligence.
2. Duty of Loyalty
3. Duty of Obedience/Compliance

III. Finance Committee Review

A. Finance Committee Report

Finance Call was held on 01/12/2026

Overall finances are in order, no items over 50K

990's were reviewed with no concerns and all in order.

Enrollment is 693 with FTE 697. A few areas to be reviewed to recoup the enrollment count.

Metrics are strong, debt to asset ratio, salary and benefits are on track and revenue is still anticipated at the end of the year.

J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to Approve the Financials of December 2025.

G. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

B. Investment Account Update

Investment details were discussed with noted details related to accounts that are maturing and other investment activities.

C. Items Over 50K

No items to discuss over 50K

D. PHACS 990

Reviewed with MMB and all 990 details are in order.

IV. Executive Director's Report

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Closing the semester, testing currently taking place.

Testing scores will be discussed and reviewed once available.

V. Facilities

A. Facilities Update

Cafeteria tables installation started this week and is on schedule to be completed by the end of the week.

VI. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

Enter into 6:51 PM Executive Session

Board discussed business and scholar matter.

Exit 8:03 PM Executive Session

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 8:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Dorsey