



Paul Robeson Charter School

Regular Board Meeting

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Amended on August 21, 2024 at 11:40 AM EDT

Date and Time

Tuesday August 20, 2024 at 4:00 PM EDT

Location

643 Indiana Avenue
Trenton, NJ 08638

-or-

Zoom link- <https://phillyscholars-org.zoom.us/j/83653432949>

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and is open to the public. Notices were duly posted and the meeting was advertised in The Trentonian and The Times of Trenton. Formal action will be taken.

Agenda

- I. Opening Items**
 - A.** Call the Meeting to Order
 - B.** Record Attendance
 - C.** Oath of Office - Elona Deprez

II. Discussion

- A.** 24-25 Priority and Goal Setting
- B.** Level Field / Aegis Update
- C.** Development Committee/Fundraising Update
- D.** 3 Year LIEP Plan

III. Updates

- A.** Enrollment
- B.** Emergency Drill Log
N/A
- C.** Talent and Certification
- D.** Special Education Files Audit Update

We are welcoming some new students to our building – about 5 with formal IEPs. We have already met with families about needed supports. We are still sourcing for a psychologist & LDTC that can be onsite 1 day a week, but we have a OT and Speech therapists to come in 3 days a week to support students.

- E.** Buildings and Grounds Update
 - 4 Classrooms ready for K-1 – complete
 - Summer Cleaning – complete
 - Office walls for 2 spaces - complete

IV. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

- A.** Motion for Paul Robeson Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the May 21, 2024 board meeting.

V. Motions for Approval

- A.** Finance

1. To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for May 2024 and Preliminary June 2024 as per the attached.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(a), the Paul Robeson Charter School Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, as of May 2024 and Preliminary June 2024, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the school's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

2. To approve the Bills/Check List from May 22, 2024 through August 20, 2024.

3. To approve the following payrolls:

- 5/30/24 payroll \$212,288.80
- 6/15/24 Payroll \$257,878.42
- 6/30/24 payroll \$226,535.33
- 7/15/24 payroll \$84,972.04
- 7/30/24 payroll \$93,220.04

4. To ratify a \$25,000 bonus for Young Scholars for the additional work on the new building project.

5. To approve the FY25 IDEA Application:

- i. Basic - \$114,666.00

6. To approve the FY25 ESEA Application:

- i. Title I-A - \$341,033.00
- ii. Title II-A - \$31,331.00 Reallocated to Title I
- iii. Title IV-A - \$19,713.00 Reallocated to Title I

7. To approve the refusal of Title III funds.

B. Student Field Trips

1. To approve the following student field trips:

Location: Washington DC- African American Museum

Type: Academic

Costs: Students pay a certain amount.

Dinner – Golden Corral, \$1,300

Admission – free

of Students Attending: 78

Busing - \$1500 (coach bus)

Date: 11/21/2024

Location: Shady Brook Farm, Yardley, PA

Type: ASPIRE

Costs: Busing- \$2,000

Admission- \$2,500

Culture Budget

of Students Attending: K-1, 104; 3-4 , 135

C. Personnel

1. To approve the following new hires:

Name- Anamika Sahay

Title- Long-term Substitute

Start date- Temporary (contract ends 1/31/2025)

Salary- \$200/day

Name- Tai Carter

Title- Building Substitute

Start date- 8/15, 10-month

Salary- \$--,---

Name- Kristin Cihanowyz

Title- Teacher

Start date- 8/15, 10-month

Salary- \$--,---

Name- William Grossman

Title- Teacher

Start date- 8/15, 10-month

Salary- \$--,---

Name- Talaya Hawk

Title- Building Substitute

Start date- 8/15, 10-month

Salary- \$--,---

Name- Ziyu He

Title- Teacher

Start date- 8/15, 10-month

Salary- \$--,---

Name- Chanel Jackson

Title- School Social Worker
Start date- 7/1, 12-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- Shaminder Kaur
Title- Building Substitute
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- Victoria Paz
Title- Building Aid
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- David Rogers
Title- Teacher
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- Jodi Russell
Title- Teacher
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- Diana Luque
Title- Teacher
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- Jennifer Penefiel
Title- Building Substitute
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

Name- Beyonka Watson
Title- Building Substitute
Start date- 8/15, 10-month
Salary- \$--,---

2. To approve the following termination:

Name- Dianibel Nazario
Title- Operations Assistant and Personal Care Assistant
Termination Date- 7/24

3. To approve the following resignations:

Name- Eric Worthy
Title- Teacher
Resignation Date- 6/14

Name- Lindsay Manolakos
Title- Teacher
Resignation Date- 6/14

Name- Amanda Kemperman
Title- Teacher
Resignation Date- 6/14

Name- Courtney Jackson
Title- Teacher
Resignation Date- 6/14

Name- Giselle Bartley
Title- Operations Manager
Resignation Date- 8/2

4. To approve the following staff travel and PD reimbursements:

Name: Folasade Jacobs
Cost: \$750
Description: PD – Tuition reimbursement for leadership certification program
Date: Summer 2024

5. To approve the following staff stipends:

Name: Jenna McKinney, Madison Collabella, Marissa Jenkins
Position: Soccer Coaches- Have at least 4 practices a week, and support with all games throughout the season. Head coach responsible for management, assistants support.
Stipend: Head - \$0 (part of athletic coordinator stipend), Assistant: \$2000

Name: Ashanti Waters, Joshua Saar
Position: Cross Country Coaches- Have at least 4 practices a week, and support with all games throughout the season. Head coach responsible for management, assistants support.

Stipend: Head - \$3,500, Assistant: \$2,000

Name: Kelly Howley, Cynthia Taylor, Joshua Saar, Marie Helms

Position; Content Lead- Will lead content team PLC time once a month, and support teachers within similar contents with content specific knowledge.

Stipend: \$1,000

Name: Juan Puppo, Jenna McKinney, Ajanae Davis, Diana Luque, Lois Lambing, Erica Haradon-Brooks

Position: Additional class coverage

Stipend: 5% of salary

D. Curriculum & Special Education

1. To approve the following curriculum purchases:

Lego Kits - after school program - \$1,499.50

Second Step - SEL curriculum - \$2,595

E. Buildings & Grounds- None

F. Policy/Miscellaneous

1. To approve PRCS Emergency Remote or Virtual Instruction Plan
2. To approve LIEP 3-year plan
3. To approve Gift Acceptance Policy
4. To approve two naming opportunities in new PRCS building: both Science labs by Universal Display Corporation and the Student Commons by Ken and Carrie Somberg
5. To approve adjusted 24-25 school year calendar
6. To approve the 24-25 Student/Family Handbook
7. To approve the 24-25 HR Handbook
8. To approve the 24-25 School Goals, as attached.

VI. Executive Session

- A.** It is expected that the Board will go into Executive Session.

VII. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session

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VIII. Closing Items

A. New Business

B. Public Comment

C. Important Dates

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 1, 2024

D. Adjourn Meeting