



# Paul Robeson Charter School

## Regular Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Tuesday September 30, 2025 at 4:00 PM EDT

### Location

Remote Only

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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.

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### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>4:00 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> Call the Meeting to Order			
<b>B.</b> Record Attendance			
<b>II. Discussion</b>			
<b>A.</b> Dashboard	Discuss		
<b>B.</b> Facility Update	Discuss		

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<b>C.</b>	Building Safety Overview		
<b>D.</b>	Development Committee / Fundraising Update		
<b>E.</b>	Ribbon Cutting Ceremony		
	• Staff Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on December 1		

### III. Updates

<b>A.</b>	Enrollment	Discuss	Freya Lund
<b>B.</b>	Emergency Drill Log <a href="#">Drill Log</a>	Discuss	Freya Lund
<b>C.</b>	Talent and Certification	Discuss	Aniyah Wright
<b>D.</b>	Special Education Files Audit Update Autistic support class is up and running – support 7 students	Discuss	Freya Lund
<b>E.</b>	HIB Report- Elementary & Middle School <a href="#">Elementary Update</a>  Annual HIB Report to be approved at the end with Motions for Approval	Discuss	

### IV. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

<b>A.</b>	Motion for Paul Robeson Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the August 19, 2025 board meeting.	Approve Minutes	Brian Falkowski
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### V. Motions for Approval

**4:00 PM**

<b>A.</b>	Finance	Vote	Brian Falkowski
	<b>1. To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for August 2025 as per the attached.</b>		

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	<p>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 August 2025, 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.</p>		
	<p><b>2. To approve the Bills/Check List from August 20, 2025 through September 30, 2025.</b></p>		
	<p><b>3. To approve the following payrolls:</b></p> <p>8/15/25 Payroll \$ 70,319.81</p> <p>8/30/25 Payroll \$ 310,249.18</p> <p>9/15/25 Payroll \$ 326,681.39</p> <p>9/30/25 Payroll \$ 339,219.39</p>		
	<p><b>4. To approve FY26 ESEA Application:</b></p> <p>i. Title I-A - \$448,435.00</p> <p>ii. Title II-A - \$41,716.00 Reallocated to Title I</p> <p>iii. Title III - \$20,428.00</p> <p>iv. Title IV Part A - \$25,502.00 Reallocated to Title I</p>		
<b>B. Personnel</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>Freya Lund</b>	
	<p><b>1. To approve the following staff travel and PD expenses &amp; reimbursements:</b></p> <p>Employee- Folasade Jacobs</p> <p>Description- Monclair State: Observing NGSS Classroom</p> <p>Date- October 22</p> <p>Cost- \$200</p> <p>Employee- Melissa Scordo</p> <p>Description- Art Education of NJ Conference</p> <p>Date- October 27</p> <p>Cost- \$215</p>		
	<p><b>2. To approve the following staff stipends:</b></p> <p>Employee- Sal LaBruno, Suley Ostolaza, Nancy Gliem, Diana Luque, Elliott Lopez</p>		

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Position- Additional class- teacher additional 60 minute class Amount- 3% of salary each			

Employee- Joshua Saar, Marissa Jenkins, Gail Somers, Madison Collabella, Hannah Medina, Lida Geraci, Dan Rohe/Lois Lambing  
Position- Grade Team Lead- Lead grade team initiatives, I&RS, culture mediations, etc.  
Amount- \$3,000 each

Employee- Shatiika Waldron, Sherry Santis  
Position- Content Lead- Lead Reading, Math, Social Studies  
Amount- \$1,500 each

Employee- Jenna McKinney  
Position- Athletic Coordinator- Lead athletics program, scheduling, coaches, etc.  
Amount- \$650 (including coaching a sport)

### 3. To approve the following new hires:

Name- Vasilina Penna  
Title- Teacher  
Pay Rate- \$--,---  
10/12 month- 10-month

Name- Vincent Wade  
Title- Building Substitute  
Pay Rate- \$200/day  
10/12 month- 10-month

Name- Taheesha Anderson  
Title- Lunch and Recess Aide  
Pay Rate- \$22/hour  
10/12 month- 10-month

Name- Maria Rios-Soto  
Title- Food and Cleaning Service Aide  
Pay Rate- \$22/hour  
10/12 month- 10-month

Name- Tander Dawarzai

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Title- Building Substitute Pay Rate- \$250/day 10/12 month- Contracted until 12/31			
<b>4. To approve the following resignations:</b>			
Name- Tandar Dawarzai			
Title- Building Substite			
Resignation Date- 9/22			
<b>C. Curriculum</b>			5 m
<b>1. To approve the following curriculum purchases:</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade Transferrer- \$1,499 (allows Google classroom grades to automatically transfer into PowerSchool)</li> <li>• SS Impact Texts- \$5,587.30 (McGraw Hill – for 3rd and 4th grade, other grades covered by CSP Grant)</li> <li>• Savvas- \$423.15 (additional texts for Middle School)</li> <li>• EdPuzzle- \$6,261 (middle school online program)</li> <li>• Pear Assessment- \$2,785.14 (middle school assessment program – SS, Sci – include PD Session)</li> <li>• STAR Autism- \$9,910.20 (Aut support class curriculum – includes PD workshop)</li> <li>• Go Guardian- \$7,997 (online monitoring program &amp; filter program – includes PD session)</li> <li>• PearDeck- \$2,835 (online program for middle school – allows teachers to interactive and give feedback live to students)</li> <li>• ETR- \$1,796.36 (Health Curriculum for middle school)</li> <li>• ANET- \$16,000 (online assessments for Reading and Math standards aligned)</li> <li>• Smart Pass- \$1,887 (online bathroom pass system)</li> <li>• Second Step- \$2,778 (SEL Curriculum)</li> <li>• Eureka Math- \$675 (middle school math PD)</li> <li>• Eureka Math- \$14,247.53 (middle school math curriculum + online bundle)</li> <li>• Savvas- \$8,078 (middle school SS Curriculum renewal)</li> <li>• Imagine Learning- \$11,000 (middle school online intervention)</li> <li>• Remind- \$3,058.64 (communication app for entire building)</li> <li>• Match Fishtank- \$4,560 (middle reading curriculum + PD sessions)</li> <li>• Aqua Phoenix- \$7,004.16 (5th Open Sci Ed curriculum – other grades already ordered in pervious year)</li> </ul>			
<b>D. Student Field Trips</b>	Vote	Brian Falkowski	

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>1. To approve the following student field trips:</b>			
Location- Shady Brook Farm			
Type- ASPIRE 2-4 grades- Reward trip for students			
Date- 10/30/25			
# of Students Attending- 230			
Costs- Trip- \$2,500; Bus- \$3,000; Students pay \$5			
Location- Franklin Institute			
Type- Academic 5th grade- Relates to science curriculum			
Date- 11/10/25			
# of Students Attending- 76			
Costs- Trip- \$30; Bus- \$1,700; Students pay \$5			
Location- African American History Museum			
Type- Academic 6th grade- Ties to Social Studies and reading content			
Date- 10/16/25			
# of Students Attending- 76			
Costs- Trip- \$1,840; Bus- \$6,000; Students pay \$25 (includes catered lunch)			
Location- Liberty Science Center			
Type- Academic 7th grade- Relates to science curriculum			
Date- 11/7/25			
Costs- Trip- \$1,327.50; Bus- \$1,700; Students pay \$5			
Location- Ellis Island			
Type- Academic 8th grade- Relates to social studies and reading content			
Date- 11/14/25			
Costs- Trip- \$1,420.50; Bus- \$3,300, Students pay \$5			
<b>E.</b>	Policy/Miscellaneous	Vote	Brian Falkowski
1. To Approve the annual HIB Report			

## VI. Executive Session

4:05 PM

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| <b>A.</b> | It is expected that the Board will go into Executive Session. | Vote |
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**VII. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session**

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| <b>A.</b> Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session | Vote |
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**VIII. Closing Items**

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| <b>A.</b> New Business   | Discuss |
| <b>B.</b> Public Comment |         |

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| <b>C.</b> Important Dates | FYI |
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- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: November 18, 2025
- Next Board Meeting: Thursday, November 20, 2025 - 4:00-6:00pm
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Staff: December 1, 2025

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| <b>D.</b> Adjourn Meeting | Vote |
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