Paul Robeson Charter School

Regular Board Meeting

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Date and Time

Tuesday August 18, 2026 at 4:00 PM EDT

Location

1289 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard
Trenton, NJ 08638

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

		Purpose	Time
I.	**Opening Items**		**4:00 PM**
	A. Call the Meeting to Order		
	B. Record Attendance		
II.	**Discussion**		
	A. Goal Setting and Data Review	Discuss	

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B.	Facility Update	Discuss	
C.	Strategic Planning Status Report		
D.	Board Retreat		
E.	Draft Renewal Application Review		
F.	Fundraising Update		
G.	Board Self Evaluation Sending via BoardOnTrack	FYI	

III. Updates

A.	Enrollment	Discuss	
B.	Emergency Drill Log First Fire Drill: Tuesday, September 1st. First Security Drill: Friday, September 11th	Discuss	
C.	Talent and Certification	Discuss	
D.	Special Education Files Audit Update	Discuss	
E.	HIB Report- Elementary & Middle School Middle School HIB Update- Linked here Elementary School HIB Update- None	Discuss	

IV. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

A.	Motion for Paul Robeson Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the June 2, 2026 board meeting.	Approve Minutes	

V. Motions for Approval

A.	Finance **1. To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for May and June 2026 as per the attached.**	Vote	

Purpose Time

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 June 2026, 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 June 2, 2026 through August 17, 2026.

3. To approve the following payrolls:

6/15/26 Payroll $ 353,265.00
6/30/26 Payroll $ 366,455.14
7/15/26 Payroll $ 102,544.26
7/30/26 Payroll $ 107,124.63
8/15/26 Payroll $ 73,094.22

4. To approve FY27 IDEA Application:

i. Basic - $166,894.00
ii. Preschool - $2,512.00

5. To approve FY27 ESEA Application:

i. Title I-A- $545,286.00
ii. Title II-A- $47,763.00 Reallocated to Title I
iii. Title III - $14,578.00
iv. Title IV Part A- $32,344.00 Reallocated to Title I

6. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Paul Robeson Charter School for The Humanities Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the School Leader to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Mercer an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2026-2027 school year.

B. Personnel Vote

1. To approve the following new hires:
Name: CindyAnne Cannelongo
Position: School Nurse
Duration: 12-month

Name: Christina Davis
Position: Teacher
Duration: 10-month

Name: Taylor Gatling
Position: Special Education Teacher
Duration: 10-month

Name: Xzayden May-Brown
Position: Teacher
Duration: 10-month

Name: Valarmathi Sekar
Position: Building Substitute
Duration: 10-month

Name: Gyana Jyothi Shurashetty
Position: Teaching Assistant
Duration: 10-month

Name: Kristin Brander
Position: Art Teacher
Duration: 10-month

Name: Nicole Hampton
Position: Case Manager P/T
Duration: 10-month

Name: Jenna Paul
Position: Teacher
Duration: 10-month

Name: Allen Harrison
Position: Teacher
Duration: 10-month

Salaries listed in attachment.

2. To approve the following resignations:

Name: Isabella Pschar
Position: Teacher
Resignation Date: 6/30

Name: Marcia Williams
Position: Teacher
Resignation Date: 7/24

Name: Maria Vargas
Position: Teacher
Resignation Date: 6/19

Name: Kh'ing James
Position: Lunch and Recess Aide
Resignation Date: 7/29

3. To approve the following staff stipends:
Employee: Hannah Medina, Lida Geraci, Madison Colabella, Jacob Scholottman, Shatiika Waldron, Urika Francois-Bashang, Joshua Saar, Taylor Krotowski, Gail Somers
Position: Grade Team Lead
Stipend Reason: K-4 Lead Curriculum and Planning for the Grade Team, 5-8 Lead Grade Wide Culture Building, Events for students
Stipend Amount: $3,000 each

Employee: Alexa Tkchuck
Position: MLL Lead
Stipend Reason: Support BOY Access Screening, Support MLL monthly meeting, Support WIDA Testing
Stipend Amount: $2,000

Employee: Joshua Saar
Position: Athletics Coordinator
Stipend Reason: Manage all athletic teams, including scheduling
Stipend Amount: $6,500

Employee: Urika Francois-Bashang
Position: Yearbook Coordinator
Stipend Reason: Set up and support Picture Day, Take Pictures throughout the year

Stipend Amount: TBD

Employee: TBD
Position: Athletic League Coordinator
Stipend Reason: Facilitate Interscholastic Sports League Formation and Maintenance
Stipend Amount: $2,500

4. To approve the following staff travel & PD expenses/reimbursements:
Employee: Jacob Schlottman
Cost: $750
Description: TCNJ Leadership Certification Program
Date: Fall 2026

Employee: Regina Bell, Lisa Hall, Dana Skillman, Jessica Brandenburg, Biji Abraham
Cost: TBD
Description: Whole Child PD - Travel Expenses
Date: TBD

C. Student Field Trips Vote

1. To approve the following student field trips:
Trip Location: Liberty Science Center
Type of Trip: ASPIRE Grade Academic Trip
Costs & Funding Source: Trip- $1,145; Bus- $2,000
Number of Students Attending: 81 students + staff
Date: November 13
Educational Purpose: Tied to science content students are learning

D. Curriculum

1. To approve the following curriculum purchases:

- Epic Staffing Agreement
- ANET $16,000 - Middle Math/Reading Assessments
- Eureka Squared $13454 - Middle Math Curriculum
- MyPath $16451 - Middle Intervention Program
- DIBELS $372 - Kinder Reading Screener
- iReady $16930 - Elem Screener
- Mystery Science $2199 Elem Sci Curriculum
- Impact $1508 Elem SS Curriculum
- Wonders $45549 Elem Reading Curriculum
- Reveal $19919 Elem Math Curriculum

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- NWEA MAP $7521 - Middle School Screener
- Saavas $10474 - Middle SS Curriculum
- GoGuardian - $13132 - Assessment and Chromebook monitoring
- Fishtank - $6804 - Middle RELA Curriculum

E. Policy/Miscellaneous — Vote

1. To approve the 2026-2027 HR Handbook
2. To approve the updated 2026-2027 School Calendar
3. To approve the updated Cell Phone Ban policy and AI policy
4. To approve 26/27 Instructional Coaching Services Agreement between Paul Robeson Charter School and Nadia Bennett/When Brown Girls Lead
5. To approve 26/27 Jounce Coaching Partners Agreement
6. To approve 26/27 MACCS Health Compliance Services Agreement
7. To approve Membership in a Voluntary Association Regulating Interscholastic Student Activities policy
8. To the approve the resolution of Paul Robeson Charter School for the Humanities a NJ Nonprofit Corporation for the Working Loan from Community Loan Fund of NJ, Inc. for up to $1,500,000

VI. Executive Session

A. It is expected that the Board will go into Executive Session. — Vote

VII. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session

A. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session — Vote

VIII. Closing Items

A. New Business — Discuss

B. Public Comment

C. Important Dates — FYI

- Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 6, 2026 - 4:00-6:00pm

D. Adjourn Meeting — Vote