APPROVED

Paul Robeson Charter School

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday August 19, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location
Zoom

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.

Trustees Present
B. Blount (remote), B. Englezos (remote), J. Cassimatis (remote), K. Somberg (remote), T. Rebar (remote), V. Aggarwal (remote)

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present
A. Wright (remote), B. Falkowski (remote), C. Freyer (remote), F. Lund (remote), J. Amenda (remote), K. Lamilla (remote), K. Tini (remote), S. Smith (remote), S. Spuhler (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Somberg called a meeting of the board of trustees of Paul Robeson Charter School to order on Tuesday Aug 19, 2025 at 4:03 PM.

B. Record Attendance

II. Discussion

A. Goal Setting and Data Review

John provided results of last school year to the Board and put it out to the Board for future discussion on PRCS Academic Goals.

B. Facility Update

Shelby provided update to the board on building development.
Tyler provided updates on financial standing concerning the building.

C. Development Committee / Fundraising Update

Ken provided Board with an update on Fundraising

D. School Start Date Communication

E. Strategic Planning Update

Moved to after relocation.

III. Updates

A. Enrollment

Full enrollment with extensive waitlist.

B. Emergency Drill Log

C. Talent and Certification

Aniyah provided Board update on personnel.

D. Special Education Files Audit Update

E. HIB Report- Elementary & Middle School

IV. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

A. Motion for Paul Robeson Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the June 3, 2025 board meeting.

V. Aggarwal made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 06-03-25.
B. Englezos seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Motions for Approval

A. Finance

B. Englezos made a motion to 1. To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for June 2025 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 June 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. 2. To approve the Bills/Check List from June 4, 2025 through August 19, 2025. 3. To approve the following payrolls: 6/15/25 Payroll $ 276,789.50 6/30/25 Payroll $ 283,067.41 7/15/25 Payroll $ 90,563.28 7/30/25 Payroll $ 105,210.40 4. Stale Check List: To approve the voiding of the below stale checks: Check Number Check Date Amount Vendor 11607 3/27/2024 $44.98 Chrissy Sibley 11797 6/14/2024 $550.00 Relay/GSE 12202 11/20/2024 $99.48 Freya Lund 5. To approve FY26 IDEA Application: i. Basic - $142,426.00 6. Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the submission of the request through Artemis to destory records that have exceeded their required retention period as per the attached.
B. Blount seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Personnel

T. Rebar made a motion to 1. To approve the following new hires: Name: Paige Brower Position: MS Resource Teacher 10/12-month: 10 Name: Tiffany Squire Position: Assistant Kindergarten Teacher 10/12-month: 10 Name: Khileah Scott Position: Assistant 1st Grade Teacher 10/12-month: 10 Name: Ronja Dickerson Position: Assistant 1st Grade Teacher 10/12-month: 10 Name: Maria Vargas Position: 2nd Grade Lead Teacher 10/12-month: 10-month Name: Brenda Cochrane Position: 6th Grade Math Teacher 10/12-month: 10-month Name: Joseph Kelley Position: K-8 Music Teacher 10/12-month: 10-month Name: Michael Wade Position: Building Substitute 10/12-month: 10-month Name: Maria Rios-Soto Position: Food and Cleaning Service Aide 10/12-month: 12-month 2. To approve the following resignations/terminations: Name: Erica Haradon-Brooks Position: Teacher Date: 7/21/2025 Name: Keasia McCoy Position: Food Service Aide Date: 7/21/2025.
V. Aggarwal seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C.

Student Field Trips

D. Policy/Miscellaneous

J. Cassimatis made a motion to To approve the contract with New Jersey Public Charter Schools Association for Annual Membership Dues for the 2025-2026 school year, totaling $16,875. 2. To approve the 2025-2026 HR Handbook 3. To approve the updated 2025-2026 School Calendar 4. To approve the final reading of following policies: P1140 Affirmative Action Program P1530 Equal Employment and Anti-Discrimination P2415 Academic Standards and Accountability P2422 Physical Education P3240 Professional Development for Teachers P5111 Eligibility of Resident and Nonresident Students P5750 Equitable Educational Opportunity P5512 Harassment Intimidation and Bullying P5751 Sexual Harassment of Students P2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices P1510 Americans with Disabilities Act P2460 Special Education P2411 Guidance Counseling P2423 Bilingual Education 5. To approve Paul Robeson Charter School entering into a Contract (“Contract”) with InSite Health without publicly advertising for bids pursuant to the Public School Contracts Law, utilizing the extraordinary unspecifiable services exemption to public bidding set forth in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5(a)2. The Contract has been approved for a term of one school year for the base amount of $157,200.00, with the award resolution and Contract available for public inspection at the School’s business office during school hours.
B. Englezos seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. New Business

B. Public Comment

C. Important Dates

D. Next Board Meeting - September 30, 2025 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - November 18th 9:30 am

K. Somberg made a motion to Adjourn the meeting.
V. Aggarwal seconded the motion.
5:37
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Spuhler