# COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL OF PATERSON

# MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES JUNE 27, 2024

The Board of Trustees of the Community Charter School of Paterson (the "School") held a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees on Thursday, June 27, 2024 via the Zoom platform due to the public health emergency. The public was able to participate in the meeting by dialing 1-646-876-9923.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Tiffany McBride, Board Vice President, called the meeting to order at <u>6:04 p.m.</u>

## 2. <u>SALUTE TO THE FLAG</u>

Dr. Tiffany McBride led all those assembled in a salute to the flag of the United States of America.

#### 3. STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Dr. Tiffany McBride stated: "I hereby announce that adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Community Charter School of Paterson was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was provided in a timely manner to the official newspapers, *The Herald News* and *The Record*. Copies of this notice were mailed to all persons who have requested that the Secretary of this Board do so."

#### 4. <u>ROLL CALL</u>

Board of Trustees:

Board President	$\checkmark$	Mr. Michael DeBlasio
Board Vice President	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	Dr. Tiffany McBride
Board Member	$\mathbf{\nabla}$	Mr. Boris Zaydel
Board Member		Ms. Sophia Sample
Board Member		Ms. Marqweesha Guthrie (6:22 Arrival)
Board Member		Mr. David Gelman
Board Member	$\mathbf{\mathbf{\nabla}}$	Ms. Shana Manradge
CEO/Chief Advocate	$\mathbf{N}$	Mr. Ira Griffith
School Founder Liaison		Mr. Robert Guarasci
SBA		Mr. Olugbenga Olabintan, CPA (7:44 arrival)
Treasurer		Mr. Flavio Rivera (7:44 arrival)
School Leader	$\mathbf{N}$	Mr. Andre Smith
Community Schools Director		Ms. Sarai Lucero
Chief of Staff		Ms. Giselle Vannoy
Comptroller	$\mathbf{\mathbf{\nabla}}$	Ms. Sandra Orozco
Director of Operations	$\mathbf{\mathbf{N}}$	Ms. Chelliah Phillips

Visitors: See sign in sheets for details.

# 5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Wendy Alamanzar (parent) - disappointed in this school year. She stated CCSP has a non-caring rude administrative team. Jennifer Schniet (teacher) states the culture is good and she had no support at CCSP as a teacher. Yvonne Ruiz (parent) stated she is removing her child from CCSP; the school is unsafe and unreliable. Concerned her disappointment with the special education department & the non renewal of Mr. Peterson. Mr. Montalvo (teacher) stated many parents stated to him their disappointment with disrespectful staff and some teachers feel targeted. Advised parents to reach out to staff. Denisse (parent) stated her child who was a 1st grader had an accident and the nurse did not notify her of it which disappointed her. Has concerns about the 8th grade lack of math teachers. Adelaide (parent) stated the school changed curriculum and she was notified her child may be left behind because of i-Ready scores. Disappointed that i-ready can determine promotion to the next grade. Her child is bullied thinking about removing her child from CCSP. Abby (parent) stated her daughter is bullied as a 1st grader and was hit by a male classmate. Disappointed that all she received was an apology and no disciplinary action took place. Eunices (parent) is a 3rd grader at CCSP and she is thinking about removing her student from CCSP because of the bullying issues. Stated there needs to be stronger disciplinary actions and she doesn't like the new administration.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to present.

#### 7. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There was no report to present.

#### **DONALDSON HEARINGS (EXECUTIVE SESSION)** 8.

Motion & Second to enter Executive Session a.

Moved: Mr. Boris Zaydel - Second: Ms. Shana Manradge -Roll Call:

	MR DEBLASIO	Ms. GUTHRIE	Mr. Gelman	Ms. Sample	Dr. McBride	Ms. Manradge	Mr. Zaydel
YEA	N	V		V	$\mathbf{\mathbf{\nabla}}$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
NAY							
ABSENT			$\mathbf{N}$				
ABSTAINED							

The motion passed. Executive Session entered at 6:32 p.m.

b. Motion & Second to return from Executive Session

Moved: Mr. Boris Zaydel • Second: Mr. Michael DeBlasio •

Roll Call:

	MR DEBLASIO	Ms. Guthrie	Mr. Gelman	Ms. Sample	DR. MCBRIDE	Ms. Manradge	Mr. Zaydel
YEA	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		V	$\checkmark$	$\leq$	$\checkmark$
NAY							
ABSENT			$\mathbf{\nabla}$				
ABSTAINED							

# 9. <u>CCSP SENIOR LEADERSHIP</u>

Senior Leadership members CEO Ira Griffith, Andre Smith, and Chelliah Phillips shared a presentation that discussed instructional plans, Organizational Leadership, Talent, and School Culture that occurred during the month of June.

# 10. TREASURER'S REPORT

A Treasurer's report was presented by Flavio for April and May.

# 11. <u>SECRETARY'S REPORT</u>

A Board Secretary's Report was presented by Olugbenga Olabintan, CPA for the month of May.

# 12. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

- **A. Curriculum & Instruction** met on 6/25 and discussed routine items included in the resolutions.
- **B.** Finance & Facilities met on 6/20 and discussed routine F&F items included in the resolutions.
- **C. Personnel** met on 6/18 and discussed routine personnel items including new hires, status changes and resignations.
- D. Policies & Procedures did not meet.
- E. Grievances one occurred.

# 13. <u>RESOLUTIONS/ACTION ITEMS</u>

# A. Minutes

i. **FY2024-0627-M-015: Approval of Minutes 5/30/24 Regular Board Meeting** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

## B. Curriculum and Instruction

i. **FY2024-0627-C-012: Approval of Field Trips** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

# C. Finance & Facilities

- i. **FY2024-0627-FF-123: Operations Bill List for June 2024** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- ii. **FY2024-0627-FF-124:** Supplemental Bill List for June 2024 The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- iii. **FY2024-0627-FF-125: Food Account Bill List for June 2024** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution
- iv. **FY2024-0627-FF-126:** Student Activity Bill List for June 2024 The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution
- v. FY2024-0627-FF-127: Approval of May 2024 Payroll Reports

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

- vi. **FY2024-0627-FF-128: Approval of May/June In-Between Checks and Online Payments (Operational)** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- vii. **FY2024-0627-FF-129: Approval of Vendor Contracts** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- viii. **FY2024-0627-FF-130: Approval to Apply for & Accept Title I Funds** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
  - ix. **FY2024-0627-FF-131: Approval of IDEA Budget** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
  - x. **FY2024-0627-FF-132: Approval of Board Secretary Report (May)** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
  - xi. **FY2024-0627-FF-133: Approval of Treasurers' Report (April & May)** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- xii. **FY2024-0627-FF-134: Approval of Budget Transfers** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- xiii. **FY2024-0627-FF-135: Approval of TD Bank Sweep Account** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- xiv. **FY2024-0627-FF-136: Approval of Educational & Instructional Services** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

## D. <u>Personnel</u>

- i. **FY2024-0627-P-062: Approval of New Hires** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- ii. **FY2024-0627-P-063: Approval of Status Changes** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- iii. **FY2024-0627-P-064: Approval of Resignations & Terminations** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- iv. **FY2024-0627-P-065: Approval of Professional Development** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- v. **FY2024-0627-P-066: Approval of Substitute List** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- vi. FY2024-0627-P-067: Approval of Contract Non Certified Renewals for 2024-2025 School Year The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

- vii. **FY2024-0627-P-068: Approval of Tuition Reimbursement** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- viii. **FY2024-0627-P-069: Org Chart Amendment** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- ix. **FY2024-0627-P-070: Approval of COLA** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- x. **FY2024-0627-P-071: Appointment of Trustees** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- xi. FY2024-0627-P-072: Appoint Robert Guarasci As Founder Liaison To The Board Of Trustees The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

## E. Policies & Procedures

- i. **FY2024-0627-PP-021: Approval of HIB Report** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- ii. **FY2024-0627-PP-022: Approval of Annual Plan Submission** The Board **rescinded** the resolution.
- iii. **FY2024-0627-PP-023: Approval of of LIEP Three-Year Plan** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- iv. **FY2024-0627-PP-024: Approval of Official 2024-2025 Board Meeting Calendar** The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

## 14. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Motion & Second to Adjourn

Moved: Ms. Shana Manradge -

Second: Ms. Sophia Sample - Roll Call:

	MR DEBLASIO	Ms. GUTHRIE	Mr. Gelman	Ms. Sample	DR. MCBRIDE	Ms. Manradge	Mr. Zaydel
YEA	$\checkmark$	K		$\langle$	K	$\leq$	$\checkmark$
NAY							
ABSENT			$\mathbf{N}$				
ABSTAINED							

The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at **<u>8:24p.m.</u>**