

# COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL OF PATERSON

## MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FEBRUARY 27, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Community Charter School of Paterson (the “School”) held a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees on Thursday, February 27, 2025 via Zoom.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Michael DeBlasio, Board President, called the meeting to order at **6:07 pm.**

2. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Michael DeBlasio led all those assembled in a salute to the flag of the United States of America.

3. **STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER**

Michael DeBlasio 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. **ROLL CALL**

Board of Trustees:

Board President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Michael DeBlasio
Board Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dr. Tiffany McBride
Board Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Boris Zaydel
Board Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Sophia Sample
Board Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Marqweesha Guthrie
Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. David Gelman
Board Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Sarina Acosta
CEO/Chief Advocate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Ira Griffith
School Founder Liaison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Robert Guarasci
SBA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Olugbenga Olabintan
Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Flavio Rivera
School Leader	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Andre Smith
Assistant School Business Administrator	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Sandra Orozco

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no report to present.

7. **BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

There was no report to present.

## **8. CCSP SENIOR LEADERSHIP**

Ira Griffith (CEO) and Andre Smith (School Leader) presented a presentation that entailed curriculum, test preparations, academics, enrollment, and community schools updates.

Mr. Smith introduced fourth-grade student H. Smith and eighth-grade student J. Green. Both students spoke about their positive experiences at the Community Charter School of Paterson (CCSP). They shared what CCSP means to them, including fun facts about its history, and expressed how much they have learned and grown from their teachers and classmates. They also highlighted the strong sense of belonging they feel as part of the school community.

## **9. TREASURER’S REPORT**

No report was presented this month by Flavio Rivera.

## **10. SECRETARY’S REPORT**

Olugbenga Olabintan presented the December 2024 and January 2025 Secretary’s Report.

## **11. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Curriculum & Instruction** met on February 18th and discussed routine items included in the resolutions.
- B. Finance & Facilities** met on February 20th and discussed routine F&F items included in the resolutions.
- C. Personnel** met on February 18th and discussed routine personnel items including new hires, status changes and resignations.
- D. Policies & Procedures** met on February 18th and discussed the updated policies.
- E. Grievances** none.

## **12. RESOLUTIONS/ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Minutes**

- I. FY2025-0227-M-009 Approval of Minutes 1/30/25 Regular Board Meeting**  
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

### **B. Curriculum and Instruction**

### **C. Finance & Facilities**

- I. FY2025-0227-FF-063: Operations Bill List for February 2025**  
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- II. FY2025-0227-FF-064: Food Account Bill List for February 2025**  
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- III. FY2025-0227-FF-065: Supplemental Bill List for February 2025**  
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- IV. FY2025-0227-FF-066: Approval of December/January In-Between Checks and Online Payments (Operational)**  
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- V. FY2025-0227-FF-067: Approval of December/January In-Between Checks and Online Payments (Supplemental)**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**VI. FY2025-0227-FF-068: Approval of January 2025 Payroll Reports**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution

**VII. FY2025-0227-FF-069: Approval of Vendor Contracts**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**VIII. FY2025-0227-FF-070: Approval of Board Secretary's Report for December 2024 and January 2025**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**IX. FY2025-0227-FF-071: Approval of 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant for 2025-2026**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**D. Personnel**

**I. FY2025-0227-P-036: Approval of New Hires**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**II. FY2025-0227-P-037: Approval of Status Changes**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**III. FY2025-0227-P-038: Approval of Resignations & Terminations**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

**IV. FY2025-0227-P-039: Approval of Professional Development**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

**V. FY2025-0227-P-040: Approval of Acknowledging Partnership with NJCDC for Employee Compensation Grant**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

**VI. FY2025-0227-P-041: Approval of William Paterson University Tuition Reimbursement Agreement**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

**E. Policies & Procedures**

**I. FY2025-0227-PP-018: Approval of HIB Report**

The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

**II. FY2025-0227-PP-019: Approval of Updated Policies**

The motion passed for the First Reading. The Board adopted the resolution.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion & Second to Adjourn

Moved: Mr. Michael DeBlasio ▾ Second: Mr. Boris Zaydel ▾ Roll Call:

	MR DeBLASIO	MS. GUTHRIE	MR. GELMAN	MS. SAMPLE	DR. McBRIDE	MS. ACOSTA	MR. ZAYDEL
<b>YEA</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>NAY</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>ABSENT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>ABSTAINED</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The motion passed. Meeting adjourned at **7:04 pm**