

COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL OF PATERSON

MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

FEBRUARY 26, 2026

The Board of Trustees of the Community Charter School of Paterson (the “School”) held a Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, February 26, 2026, via the Zoom platform.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Tiffany McBride, Vice Board President, called the meeting to order at **6:05 p.m.**

2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

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. ROLL CALL

Board of Trustees:

Board President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Michael DeBlasio (6:15pm)
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. David Gelman
Board Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Victoria Gonzalez
CEO/Chief Advocate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Ira Griffith
School Founder Liaison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Robert Guarasci
School Business Administrator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Olugbenga Olabintan (6:13pm)
Assistant School Business Administrator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Sandra Orozco
Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Flavio Rivera
School Leader	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Andre Smith
Director of Community Schools	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Sarai Lucero

Visitors: See sign in sheets for details.

1. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no report to present.

3. BOARD PRESIDENT’S REPORT

There was no report to present.

4. CCSP SENIOR LEADERSHIP

Ira Griffith (CEO), presented an AI presentation that entailed curriculum, test preparations, academics, enrollment, and community schools updates. *Notes: Feb Chronic this year vs last yr to be presented next board meeting*

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Flavio Rivera did not present the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2026 and will present at the next board meeting.

6. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Olugbenga Olabintan presented the secretary's report for the month of December 2025 and January 2026.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Curriculum & Instruction** met on February 24th and discussed routine items included in the resolutions.
- B. Finance & Facilities** met on February 19th and discussed routine F&F items included in the resolutions.
- C. Personnel** met on February 24th and discussed routine personnel items including new hires, status changes, and resignations.
- D. Policies & Procedures** met on February 24th and discussed the second reading of new policies from Alert 236 provided by Strauss Esmay along with 2nd reading in the first reading of Policy - 9150 School Visitors (Revised) and Policy - 8631 Bus Conduct (New Policy).
- E. Grievances** none.

8. RESOLUTIONS/ACTION ITEMS

A. Minutes

- I. FY2026-0226-M-009: Approval of Minutes 1/29/26 Board Meeting**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

B. Curriculum and Instruction

- I.**

C. Finance & Facilities

- I. FY2026-0226-FF-085: Operations Bill List for February 2026**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- II. FY2026-0226-FF-086: Supplemental Bill List for February 2026**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- III. FY2026-0226-FF-087: Food Account Bill List for February 2026**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

- IV. FY2026-0226-FF-088: Student Activity Bill List for February 2026**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- V. FY2026-0226-FF-089: Approval of February/March In-Between Checks and Online Payments (Operational)**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- VI. FY2026-0226-FF-090: Approval of January 2026 Payroll Reports**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- VII. FY2026-0226-FF-091: Approval of Vendor Contracts**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- VIII. FY2026-0226-FF-092: Approval of Board Secretary’s Report (December & January)**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- IX. FY2026-0226-FF-093: Approval of High Impact Tutoring (HIT) Grant**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.
- X. FY2026-0226-FF-094: Approval of Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Waiver**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution, as amended.

D. Personnel

- I. FY2026-0226-P-027: Approval of New Hires**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- II. FY2026-0226-P-028: Approval of Status Changes**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- III. FY2026-0226-P-029: Approval of Resignations/Terminations**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- IV. FY2026-0129-P-030: Approval of Professional Development**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

E. Policies & Procedures

- I. FY2026-0226-PP-016: Approval of HIB (January)**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.
- II. FY2026-0226-PP-017: Approval of Updated Policies**
The motion passed. The Board adopted the resolution.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion & Second to Adjourn

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

	MR DeBLASIO	MS. GUTHRIE	MR. GELMAN	MS. SAMPLE	DR. McBRIDE	MS. GONZALEZ	MR. ZAYDEL
YEA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NAY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ABSENT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ABSTAINED	<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 **6:50 pm**