

Board Meeting Minutes

Organization: Pride Academy Charter School Board Meeting
President: Mr. Mitchell
Time: **6:35 P.M.**
Place: Virtual Platform
Date: October 16, 2024
Minute Taker: Mrs. Dockery

Board Members Present: Mr. Mitchell
Ms. D. Taylor
Ms. A. Taylor
Ms. Brown
Mr. Rosado

Others Present: Dr. Jones, Mr. Ofstad, Mr. Zabor, Mr. Gardner, Mrs. Wilson

Absent: **Mr. M. Moore**
Mrs. A. Spence

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Next Board Meeting: Thursday 11/21/2024 6:30 pm.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm and Roll Call was taken.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLICATIONS: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, The Pride Academy Charter School Board of Trustees has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Star-Ledger and on NJ.COM under Legal Notices and posted on the school website.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE BOARD MEETING: Resolution to Accept Agenda for October 16, 2024, Regular Meeting - Attachment 1

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor- abstain

Mr. Rosado-in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Accept Agenda for October 16, 2024, Regular Meeting - Attachment 1

Resolution to Approve the Minutes from the September 18, 2024, Reg. Meeting – Attachment 2

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado-in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Approve the Minutes from the September 18, 2024, Reg. Meeting – Attachment 2

Financial Committee Report by School Business Administrator

F1. Resolution to Accept the Bills List for General and Special Revenue Funds for the current period: September 16, 2024 – October 15, 2024, totaling \$397,827.60 - Attachment F1

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado - in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Accept the Bills List for General and Special Revenue Funds for the current period: September 16, 2024 – October 15, 2024, totaling \$397,827.60 - Attachment F1

F2. Resolution to Accept Payroll Expense for the current payroll period(s) ending September 30, 2024 (\$157,509.10) and October 15, 2024 (\$xxx) - Attachment F2

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Accept Payroll Expense for the current payroll period(s) ending September 30, 2024 (\$157,509.10) and October 15, 2024 (\$xxx) - Attachment F2

F3. Resolution to Accept the FICA Reimbursement Report through October 15, 2024 - Attachment F3

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Accept the FICA Reimbursement Report through October 15, 2024 - Attachment F3

F4. Board Secretary's Report & Certification – Attachment F4

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c)3, I certify that as of September 30, 2024, that no major budgetary line-item account expenditure exceeds the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**F5. Resolution to Approve Drawdowns of Special Revenue Funds for ESEA Title IA, IIA, and IDEA (Basic) as follows for the period ending September 30, 2024:
Attachment F5**

- Drawdown #1 – Title IA - \$8,000.00 for Salary Expenditures
- Drawdown #1 – Title IIA - \$6,220.00 for Purchased Services Expenditures
- Drawdown #1 – IDEA-B - \$300 For Salary Expenditure

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado - in favor

Motion Carried

**BOARD VOTED: Approve Drawdowns of Special Revenue Funds for ESEA Title IA, IIA, and IDEA (Basic) as follows for the period ending September 30, 2024:
Attachment F5**

F6. Resolution to Approve the FY25 Food Services renewal contract for Karson Foods for the 2024-2025 school year ending June 30, 2024.

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: Approve the FY25 Food Services renewal contract for Karson Foods for the 2024-2025 school year ending June 30, 2024.

F7. Resolution to Submit Annual Waiver for Breakfast after the Bell program in pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:33-11.2 through N.J.S.A 18A:33-11.6. – Attachment F7

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Mr. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor
Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor-abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: Submit Annual Waiver for Breakfast after the Bell program in pursuant to N.J.S.A 18A:33-11.2 through N.J.S.A 18A:33-11.6. – Attachment F7

Facilities Report:

Principal Report:

Gifted and Talented Presentation by Mr. Zabor; Assessment Data presentation by Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Gardner

R1. Resolution to Approve G&T Program and report as presented

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Mr. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor
Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor-abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R2. Resolution to Approve the monthly HIB report as presented

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor
Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor-abstain
Mr. Rosado-in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R3. Resolution to Approve Homecare services contract for FY25 substitute nursing

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R4. Resolution to Approve Speech contract, VelvetSpeech

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R5. Resolution to hire Main Office/Food Services Coordinator position

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor-abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R6. Resolution to Approve Bro. Jerome Hunter for afterschool African Dance instruction

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor- abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R7. Curriculum from Teachers Pay Teachers, Mrs. Marash Reimbursement

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor
Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor- abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R8. Resolution to Approve Spanish Curriculum

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor
Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor- abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

R9. Expedite Supervisor certification for Mrs. Wilson

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor
Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor- abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor- abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED:

9. New Business

Robert Mitchell

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor- abstain

Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To approve the attendance and related travel of board member(s) and staff for the 2024 NJSBA “Workshop” conference at the Atlantic City Convention Center, NJ, October 21 – 24, 2024 – Attachment B1

10. Old Business

Robert Mitchell

- **Board Strategic Planning– Fall meeting, Saturday, October 26th, 9 am – 12 pm**
- **NJSBA Governance Training & Workshop**

11. Comments from the Public

Robert Mitchell

12. Adjournment

Robert Mitchell

Motion to close the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Motion to approve: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Ms. Brown- in favor

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor
Ms. D. Taylor- abstain
Mr. Rosado- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To approve the adjournment of the meeting.