

Marion P Thomas Charter School Board of Trustees Meeting

September 28, 6:00 PM

125 Sussex Ave Newark NJ 07103

1) CALL TO ORDER – Open Public Meetings Act

A) The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act (“Act”) was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of, and to attend 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 Marion P Thomas Charter School Board of Trustees has caused notice of this meeting to be advertised by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on the MPTCS website, in the office of the Clerk of the City of Newark, and was published in the Star-Ledger on 7/30/2020.

2) ROLL CALL

A) The following individuals are voting members of the Board:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Nichelle Bowes		X	Tia Morris	X	
Lincoln Farquharson	X		Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)	X	
Briana Gilchrist	X		Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	X	
Michelle Jones		X	Tyisha Kidd		X
Aileen Dempsey	X		Rev. Ronald Slaughter	X	

Non-Voting Board Members Present	
Chaleeta Hines (Chief School Admin)	Dominique Lee (Brick CEO)
Carriann Zielinski (Board Secretary& BA)	Tina Jalloh(Board Attorney)

3) BOARD MINUTES

A) Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from August 24 , 2020 Board Meeting. Attachment 0-A

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		X			
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist	X	X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)		X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey	2	X				Pastor Ronald Slaughter				X	

4) APPROVE THE BOARD AGENDA

A) Approval of the Board Agenda for September 28, 2020 Board Meeting. Attachment 1-A

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		X			
Lincoln Farquharson	2	X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			

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Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)		X			
Michelle Jones						Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey	X	X				Pastor Ronald Slaughter		X			

5) SCHOOL UPDATE

A) Enrollment Update: Enrollment :

- i) **Program Update: See Attachment Chaleeta Hines**
Suggestions:
- ii) **BRICK Presentation.**

B) COMMITTEE UPDATES

- i) Finance Committee : Attachment II Carrieann Zielinski, SBA
- ii) Personnel Committee See Attachment: **Attachment III-C**
- iii) **Discipline Committee:** Policy & Name Change. Presentation
- iv) Academic Committee: Nichelle Bowes:
- v) Legal Updates :
- vi) Alumni Committee: B. Gilchrist :
- vii) Parent Report: T. Kidd: N/A



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6) MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL/RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions :

Resolution 928-20-1 through 4: The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the following resolutions brought forth by the Finance Committee:

- 928-20-1 August Board Secretary Report
- 928-20-2 July & August Treasurer Report
- 928-20-3 September Bill List : \$2,796,972.41
- 928-20-4 Revised 20-21 MPTCS Budget

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes					X	Tia Morris		X			
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist	X	X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	2	X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor Ronald Slaughter		X			

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Resolution 928-20-5 through 928-20-6

2. The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School hereby approved the following resolutions brought forth by the personnel committee:

- 928-20-5 : new hires, update on vacancies, leaves, workman’s compensation & incident reports, and terminations for the 2020-2022 School Year.
- 824-20-6 : MP Settlement Agreement

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris	X	X			
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist	2	X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)		X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastr Ronald Slaughter		X			

Resolution 928-20-7- through 928-9

The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the following resolutions brought forth by the Discipline Committee. .

- Restorative Discipline **Pulled**
- Parent/Student Handbook
- Discipline Policy Adden

Student/Parent Handbook

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris	2	X			
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	X	X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor. Ronald Slaughter		X			

Policy Adden

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris	2	X			
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	X	X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor. Ronald Slaughter		X			

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Resolution 928-20-10

The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the Form 326 Food Services.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		x			
Lincoln Farquharson	x	x				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		x			
Briana Gilchrist		x				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	2	x			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					x
Aileen Dempsey		x				Pastor. Ronald Slaughter		x			

Resolution 928-20-11

The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the entry into Essex County Commissions co-op vendor program. .

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		x			
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		x			
Briana Gilchrist	x	x				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	2	x			
Michelle Jones					x	Tyisha Kidd					x
Aileen Dempsey		x				Pastor Ronald Slaughter		x			

Resolution 928-20-12

The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the CCL Contract. .

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		X			
Lincoln Farquharson	x	X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	2	X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
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Resolution 928-20-13

The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the change to the school calendar. Election Day School closed. .

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Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		X			
Lincoln Farquharson	2	X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)		X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor. Ronald Slaughter	X	X			

Resolution 928-20-14

The Board of Trustees of Marion P. Thomas Charter School approves the Homeschool Policy .

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris		X			
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)	X	X			
Briana Gilchrist	2	X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)		X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor. Ronald Slaughter		X			

7) CHAIRMAN UPDATE: V.ROUSE

A) Thank you to everyone and especially to our Chief School Administrator

8) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Members of the public wishing to address the Board of Trustees (“Board”) must state their name and are requested to limit their comments to three minutes. Please be aware that all charter school employees retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Each member of the public will be given one opportunity to address the Board

9) MOTION TO ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AND ENTER CLOSED SESSION:

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris					X
Lincoln Farquharson		X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist	X	X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	2	X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X

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Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor Ronald Slaughter		X			
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10) MOTION TO ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND ENTER REGULAR SESSION

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes						Tia Morris					
Lincoln Farquharson	2	X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)	X	X			
Michelle Jones						Tyisha Kidd					
Aileen Dempsey		X				Pastor . Ronald Slaughter		X			

11) MOTION TO ADJOURN

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes					X	Tia Morris					X
Lincoln Farquharson	X	X				Pastor Vincent Rouse (Board Chair)		X			
Briana Gilchrist		X				Khaatim Sherrer El (Vice Board)		X			
Michelle Jones					X	Tyisha Kidd					X
Aileen Dempsey	2	X				Pastor Rev. Ronald Slaughter		X			

Respectfully submitted at: 9/28/20
Submitted by: Carrieann Zielinski