

marion p thomas
CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Meeting
November 25, 2019 at 6:00 PM
125 Sussex Ave Newark NJ 07103

Meeting Opens :

1) President Rouse 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.

2) C Zielinski 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		Reginald Petty	x	
Briana Gilchrist		x			
Michelle Jones	x		Pastor Vincent Rouse	x	
Tyisha Kidd	x		Khaatim Sherrer El		x
Rev. Ronald Slaughter		x	Joi Dean-Taylor		x

Non-Voting Board Members Present	
Chaleeta Hines	Dominique Lee
Carrieann Zielinski	Bernice Jalloh
Robert Gregory	

3) C Zielinski BOARD MINUTES

a) Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from October 28, 2019 Board Meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes		x				Tia Morris	x	x			
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Reginald Petty				x	
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones	2	x				Pastor Vincent Rouse		x			
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev. Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean-Taylor					x

4) C Zielinski Approve the Board Agenda

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a) Approval of the Board Agenda for November 25, 2019 Board Meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes		x				Tia Morris	2	x			
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Reginald Petty		x			
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones	x	x				Pastor Vincent Rouse		x			
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev. Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean-Taylor					x

5) PUBLIC COMMENT

a) 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.

Yvette Barr: students at PAC ACADEMY: Special Service concern

- spoke with psychologist, speech pathologist
- wants to know what services will be provided
- Also health and safety concerns
 - Superintendent Gregory responded to email about her concerns.
- Cars going down one way street
- All concerns will be answered

Krystal Uqdih: student attending since Kindergarten. 8th grade student this year.

- Student was always on the Honor Roll
- She is far behind.
- Reached out to Superintendent Gregory and Ms. Hines about transportation and has not received a call back. Problems with transportation.
- Happy with change from Select
- Concerned about before care because she could no longer wait for transportation but not the school is saying it is cold and they cannot wait outside.
- Superintendent Gregory said tutoring just started. Ms. Hines will follow up.
- Ms. Shavon Harris gave an update for the busses
 - No issues as of right now. Will follow up and give an update to the board
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6) Administrative Update: Robert Gregory

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7) COMMITTEE & School UPDATES

School Update: Enrollment : 1517

a) Finance Committee

C.Zielinski

1. The Finance Committee reviewed the attached Treasurer of School Monies Report for the month of October 2019 and the attached Board Secretary Report for the month of October 2019 and recommends for approval. We have included more user friendly language in the BSR as well as more detailed budget lines. Please let me know if more information will be needed.
2. The Finance Committee reviewed the attached Bills and Claims Report for the month of November for 2,858,365.05 and recommends for approval
3. Due to a decrease in our enrollment. We have been preparing budget transfers within our operating procedures and every day operations. We will be submitting a formal transfer request to the Board at the next Board Meeting.
4. City National Bank has been closed and has been taken over by First Industrial Bank. We have supplied them with the requested financials to see if they can extend the 500,000 or million dollar credit that City National had promised.
5. The audit is coming to a close. Auditors will present at the next Executive Board Meeting to ensure the school meets the Dec 23rd deadline.

b) Personnel Committee

M. Weidman

c) Academic Committee

M. Jones

d) Legal Updates

T. Jalloh

No report

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e) Alumni Committee

B. Gilchrist

f) Parent Report

T. Kidd

No report

8) Chairman Update : V Rouse

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	x	x				Tia Morris	2	x			
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Reginald Petty		x			
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones		x				Pastor Vincent Rouse		x			
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev. Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean-Taylor					x

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	2	x				Tia Morris	x	x			
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Reginald Petty		x			
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones		x				Pastor Vincent Rouse		x			
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev. Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean-Taylor					x

11) MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL/RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions :

Personnel Committee : Resolution 11-19-1 through 2

M. Weidman

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes		x				Tia Morris	2	x			
Lincoln Farquharson	x	x				Reginald Petty		x			
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones		x				Pastor Vincent		x			

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Respectfully submitted at:
Submitted by: Carrieann Zielinski

BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION #11-19-1

Approval of New Hires

Subject of Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves the following attached new hires for the 2019-2020 School Year.

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						Rouse					
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean Taylor					x

Finance Committee : Resolution 11-19- 3 through 5

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes		x				Tia Morris		x			
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Reginald Petty		x			
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones		x				Pastor Vincent Rouse		x			
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean Taylor					x

** Other Resolutions

The Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves the following field trips for PAC, High School, & STEAM Academy :

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes		x				Tia Morris	2	x			
Lincoln Farquharson	x	x				Reginald Petty		x			
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones		x				Pastor Vincent Rouse		x			
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean Taylor					x

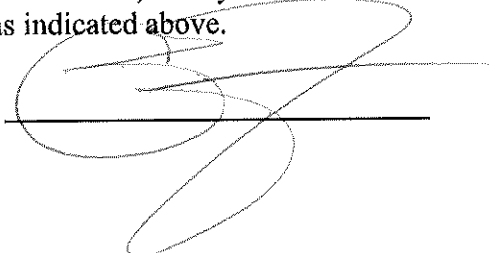
12) MOTION TO ADJOURN

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Nichelle Bowes	2	x				Tia Morris	x				
Lincoln Farquharson		x				Reginald Petty	x				
Briana Gilchrist					x						
Michelle Jones		x				Pastor Vincent Rouse	x				
Tyisha Kidd		x				Khaatim Sherrer El					x
Rev Ronald Slaughter					x	Joi Dean Taylor					x

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Member 4:	Michelle Jones	+			
Member 5:	Tia Morris	+			
Member 6:	Reginald Petty	+			
Member 7:	Pastor Vincent Rouse	+			
Member 8:	Khaatim Sherrer El				+
Member 9:	Joi Dean-Taylor				+
Member 10:	Tyish Kidd	+			
Member 11:	Rev Ronald Slaughter				+

I, Carriann Zielinski, certify that the above resolution was passed by a majority of a quorum of this Board of Trustees, as indicated above.

Signature: 

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION #11-19-5

Approval of Bills and Claims for November

Subject of Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves the Bills and Claims report for the month of November for \$2,858,365.05.

Motion made by: N/A

Seconded by: N/A

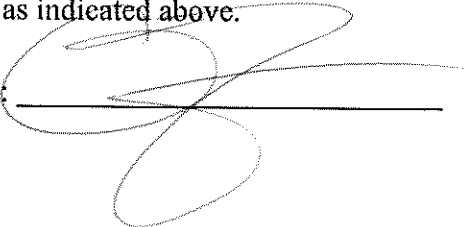
Tally of Votes

	Names	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Member 1:	Nichelle Bowes	✓			
Member 2:	Lincoln Farquharson	✓			
Member 3:	Briana Gilchrist				✓
Member 4:	Michelle Jones	✓			
Member 5:	Tia Morris	✓			

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Member 2:	Lincoln Farquharson	+			
Member 3:	Briana Gilchrist				+
Member 4:	Michelle Jones	+			
Member 5:	Tia Morris	+			
Member 6:	Reginald Petty	+			
Member 7:	Pastor Vincent Rouse	+			
Member 8:	Khaatim Sherrer El				+
Member 9:	Joi Dean-Taylor				+
Member 10:	Tyish Kidd	+			
Member 11:	Rev Ronald Slaughter				+

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION #11-19-4
Approval of Board Secretary Report for October

Subject of Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves Board Secretary Report.

Motion made by: N/A

Seconded by: N/A

Tally of Votes

	Names	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Member 1:	Nichelle Bowes	+			
Member 2:	Lincoln Farquharson	+			
Member 3:	Briana Gilchrist				+

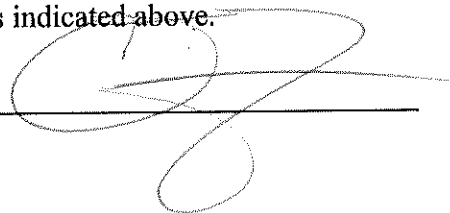
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Tally of Votes

	Names	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Member 1:	Nichelle Bowes	x			
Member 2:	Lincoln Farquharson	x			
Member 3:	Briana Gilchrist				x
Member 4:	Michelle Jones	x			
Member 5:	Tia Morris	x			
Member 6:	Reginald Petty	x			
Member 7:	Pastor Vincent Rouse	x			
Member 8:	Khaatim Sherrer El				x
Member 9:	Joi Dean-Taylor				x
Member 10:	Tyish Kidd	x			
Member 11:	Rev Ronald Slaughter				x

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION #11-19-3

Approval of October Treasurer Report

Subject of Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves the October Treasurer's Report.

Motion made by: _____

N/A

Seconded by: _____

N/A

Tally of Votes

	Names	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Member 1:	Nichelle Bowes	x			

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Motion made by: Lincoln Farquarson _____ **Seconded by: Tia Morris** _____

Tally of Votes

	Names	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
<i>Member 1:</i>	Nichelle Bowes	+			
<i>Member 2:</i>	Lincoln Farquharson	+			
<i>Member 3:</i>	Briana Gilchrist				+
<i>Member 4:</i>	Michelle Jones	+			
<i>Member 5:</i>	Tia Morris	+			
<i>Member 6:</i>	Reginald Petty	+			
<i>Member 7:</i>	Pastor Vincent Rouse	+			
<i>Member 8:</i>	Khaatim Sherrer El				+
<i>Member 9:</i>	Joi Dean-Taylor				+
<i>Member 10:</i>	Tyish Kidd	+			
<i>Member 11:</i>	Rev Ronald Slaughter				+

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION #11-19-2

Approval of Separations

Subject of Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves the following attached separations for the 2019-2020 School Year.

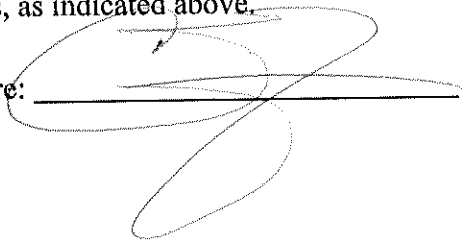
Motion made by: Lincoln Farquharson _____ **Seconded by: Tia Morris** _____

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Member 6:	Reginald Petty	✓			
Member 7:	Pastor Vincent Rouse	✓			
Member 8:	Khaatim Sherrer El				✓
Member 9:	Joi Dean-Taylor				✓
Member 10:	Tyish Kidd	✓			
Member 11:	Rev Ronald Slaughter				✓

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION #11-19-6

Approval of Field Trips

Subject of Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Marion P Thomas Charter School approves the field trips.

Motion made by: Lincoln Farquharson _____ **Seconded by:** Tia Morris _____

Tally of Votes

	Names	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Member 1:	Nichelle Bowes	✓			
Member 2:	Lincoln Farquharson	✓			
Member 3:	Briana Gilchrist				✓
Member 4:	Michelle Jones	✓			
Member 5:	Tia Morris	✓			
Member 6:	Reginald Petty	✓			
Member 7:	Pastor Vincent Rouse	✓			
Member 8:	Khaatim Sherrer El				✓
Member 9:	Joi Dean-Taylor				✓

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<i>Member 10:</i>	Tyish Kidd	✓			
<i>Member 11:</i>	Rev Ronald Slaughter				✓

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