



**ACADEMY FOR URBAN LEADERSHIP**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**  
**VIRTUAL MEETING on ZOOM**  
**Wednesday, April 28, 2021**  
**6:30 PM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, notice of this meeting has been publicized by having the date, time and location of the meeting posted at the school, on the school web site and advertised in the Home News Tribune which has been designated as the Board's official newspaper within the legal time required. Time will be allotted for public comment at this meeting.

**II. FLAG SALUTE**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

**III. MISSION STATEMENT**

To employ an educational design and experience that merges the highest standards of academic excellence while fostering convictions and commitment to social and economic justice. The school acknowledges that both family and community involvement are integral to the student's academic achievement level, and will focus on fostering strong relationships between the school, family and community. Through these partnerships, the school will strive to create a nurturing environment by providing each student with the five resources deemed necessary for healthy child development by the President's Summit for America's Future. These include: a one-on-one relationship with a caring adult, a safe place to learn and grow, a healthy start, a marketable skill through effective education, and a chance to give back to peers and the community.

In order to provide a quality education, the curriculum offered will involve rigorous academics with a holistic approach to education. Special emphasis will be placed on service learning and espousing the importance of civic and social responsibility. The development of character, leadership skills, conflict resolution abilities, and community responsibility will be stressed to provide the students with the necessary tools to become contributing members of a democratic society.

**IV. ROLL CALL**

**Board Members:**

Lisette Vilanova (President)  
Joshua Bishop (Vice President)  
Jorge Cruz (Corporate Secretary)  
Angelo Abreu

Claudine Bishop  
Hector Bonilla  
Elba Ceballo  
Eloisa Hernandez  
Reyes Ortega  
Michelle Roman  
Stephanie Valdiviezo

**Additional Attendees:**

Dr. Mario C. Barbieri (Interim Lead Person)  
Peter Salek-Nejad (Supervisor of Curriculum)  
Gail Long (BA/Board Secretary)  
Patricia Bombelyn (Board Attorney)  
Douglas Kelly (Vice-Principal)

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Move that the Board of Trustees approve the special meeting minutes from March 17, 2021.

Move that the Board of Trustees approve the regular meeting minutes from March 30, 2021

Move that the Board of Trustees approve the special meeting minutes from April 13, 2021

**VI. PRESENTATIONS**

- Student Presentation
- Staff Presentation

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Board President invites members of the public to present any comments to the Board (limited to 3 minutes)

**VIII. LEAD REPORT – Dr. Mario Barbieri**

**Enrollment: 489 students**

**IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Academic Excellence Committee - Hector Bonilla
- Human Resources and Recognition Committee – Michelle Roman
- Finance and Facilities Planning Committee – Jorge Cruz
- Executive Committee – Lisette Vilanova

**X. MOTIONS – Consent Agenda**

The Interim Lead Person recommends the following items for approval:

**a. Academic Excellence & Educational Equity**

1. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the following virtual teacher professional development on Creating Affirming and Inclusive Educational Environments. The workshops are offered by The College of NJ School of Education:

Staff	Workshop Title	Date	Cost
Morgan, Brittany	Creating Equitable Classrooms and Lesson Plans	5/5/21	\$105.09
Morgan, Brittany	Customized Infusion of LGBTQ	5/12/21	\$105.09

2. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the senior prom to be held at the Lake Chateau on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**b. Human Resource and Recognition**

1. Move that the Board of Trustees approve Guidance Counselor Kelly Howlett as the HIB Coordinator effective 4/28/2021.

**c. Finance and Facilities**

1. **Move** that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the revised Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending November 30, 2020. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the certification of funds, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, that as of November 30, 2020 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

2. **Move** that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the revised Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending December 31, 2020. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the certification of funds, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, that as of December 31, 2020 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

3. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary approve the Bill listing and payrolls from 3/31/2021 – 4/28/2021

i. Warrants March.31, 2021 – April 28, 2021	\$248,485.20
ii. Payroll Register March 30, 2021	\$279,784.74
iii. Payroll Register April 15, 2021	\$254,643.27
iv. Warrants – ck # 8448 – 8454	<u>\$74,525.34</u>
Total	\$857,438.55

## **XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Public bodies may meet in closed session when the matters under discussion are:

- (1) Matters made confidential by state, federal law or rule by court.
- (2) Disclosure would result in an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, unless the person affected consents in writing.
- (3) Disclosure would impair the body's right to receive federal or state funds.
- (4) Collective bargaining.
- (5) Lease or acquisition of property, setting of banking rates, investment of public funds if disclosure would harm the public interest.
- (6) Investigations into violations of law.
- (7) Strategies to protect public security. Pending, ongoing or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation, including attorney-client privilege. The threat of litigation must be more than theoretical for this exemption to apply.
- (8) Personnel matters affecting employees of the public bodies, unless all parties request or consent to a public hearing. Prior to discussion of personnel, affected employees must be given notice, known as a Rice notice, which gives the employee the right to request a public hearing.
- (9) Proceedings that could result in a suspension, civil penalty, or loss of a license or permit.

Discussion Items:

Attorney Client Privilege

## **XII. OTHER MOTIONS**

1. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the Lead Person Evaluation Tool.
2. Move that the Board of Trustees approves the solicitation of requests for quotes for the audit for school year ending 6/30/2021.

## **XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Board President invites members of the public to present any additional comments to the Board.

## **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**