



ACADEMY FOR URBAN LEADERSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
VIRTUAL MEETING on ZOOM
Wednesday, November 17, 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 website 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-Mbachu (Vice President)
Angelo Abreu (Corporate Secretary)

Elba Ceballo
Eloisa Hernandez
Joshua Lisojo
Michelle Roman
Stephanie Pabon

Additional Attendees:

Dr. Mario C. Barbieri (Interim Lead Person)
Dr. Elizabeth Duran Swinford (Principal)
Peter Salek-Nejad (Director of Special Programs)
Gail Long (BA/Board Secretary)
Patricia Bombelyn (Board Attorney)

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes will be presented at the next meeting.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

Extension of completion date for 2021 audit

VII. PRESENTATIONS

- Marleny Cruz from SOS - Multi Media Group
- Ruben Garrido – El Associates regarding Barclay Street renovation
- Jack Perna - Grant updates (5 minutes)

VIII. RECOGNITION

- Teacher and Staff Recognition
- Student Recognition

IX. REPRESENTATIVES

- Parent _____
- Student: Adriel Fernandez
- Teacher: Mr. Syed

X. LEAD REPORT

Dr. Mario Barbieri to present
Enrollment as of 11/15/2021: 415

XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Academic Excellence – Eloisa Hernandez -
- Human Resources and Recognition – Michelle Roman
- Finance and Facilities – Joshua Bishop-Mbachu

- Executive – Lisette Vilanova

XIII. MOTIONS – Consent Agenda

Academic Excellence

1. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve membership for Gail Long in the Middlesex County Association of School Business Officials (MCASBO) for the 2021/2022 school year at a cost of \$300.
2. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve Frank Zalocki, Data consultant at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 to be funded through the ESSER grant.
3. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the LEA Guidance for Virtual or Remote Instruction Plan Attestation for the 2021-2022 school year.
4. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Statement of Assurances for submission of the School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act for school year 7-1-2020 to 6-30-2021.

Human Resources and Recognition

1. Move that the Board of Trustees appoint Saad Syed as Project Manager for the PAPERS EPA grant at a cost of \$40 per hour not to exceed \$9,000 for the 2021-2022 school year.
2. Move that the Board of Trustees appoint Saad Syed as Project Manager for the REPAIR EPA grant at a cost of \$40 per hour not to exceed \$10,000 for the 2021-2022 school year.
3. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator appoint Lanny Morales as a 10 month Bilingual Paraprofessional at a prorated salary of \$31,000 to be funded from the Title I grant through 6/30/2021.
4. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator accept the resignation of HS English Teacher Matthew Yard effective January 14, 2022..
5. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the attached list of activity facilitators for the 2021/2022

21st Century grant after school program through 6/30/2022 at a cost of \$40 per hour:

Last name	First name	Activity
Barber	Remee	The Brotherhood
Bushey	Nicholas	Chorus
Cannella	Nicole	Arts and Crafts
Critelli	Nick	Business Club
Dehnz	Jess	Haunted Hallway
Dino	Jim	Athletics
Frost	Doug	Audio-Visual Club
Genao	Ludys	Math ESL support
Gigl	Timothy	Strength Training
Hutchinson	Odane	Gaming
Jamali	Munira	S.A.T. Math Prep
Leonardo	Mabel	Girl Talk
Pak	Meltem	Dance
Padilla	Arkinis	Counseling Support
Rodriguez	Raquel	Fashion Design/Dance
Sweatte	David	Athletics
Syed	Saad	STEM
Williams	Abraham	Robotics
Puntiel	Pablo	Security
Rojas	Jeril	Security
Collazo	Diane	S.A.T. English Prep
Vide	Maria	Parent ESL Classes

Finance and Facilities

1. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the transfer of funds for July and August 2021 as per the attachment.
2. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending July 30, 2021. 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 July 30, 2021 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 under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending August 31, 2021. 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 August 31, 2021 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).
4. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve Echelon Services LLC's, HVAC proposal to provide ventilation in the Nurse's Office at 612 Amboy Ave. campus in the amount of \$28,940. Contracting work will be funded by the ESSER II grant.
5. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the contract with MRDA for curriculum writing supervision in the amount of \$10,000 to be charged to the ESSER II grant for the 2021/2022 school year.
6. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Bill List from 10/28/2021 to 11/17/2021 in the amount of:

Warrants from 10/28/2021 – 11/17/2021	\$81,552.56
Payroll Register 10/29/2021	\$252,779.69
Payroll Register 11/15/2021	<u>\$232,799.67</u>
Total:	\$567,131.92

XIV. 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:

RICE Notices

Attorney Client Privilege

XV. OTHER MOTIONS

1. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve HEDI raises for the 2021/2022 school year.

2. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the contract for SOS Multi-Media Group for the period from 11/1/2021 to 10/31/2022 to perform recruitment services for the school at a cost of \$2,000 per month to be paid in monthly installments.

3. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Final payments to JG Drywall on the Barclay renovation project in the amount of \$71,701.47

4. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve that the HIB report for students 24042 and 24070 was unfounded.

5. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the transfer of funds for September 2021.

6. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending September 30, 2021. 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 September 30, 2021 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

7. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Annual Charter School Fiscal Questionnaire.

8. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the amendment of the IDEIA-Basic grant for 2021/2022.

9. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the additional bill list through 11/17/2021 in the amount of \$80,952.85 for the 2 warrant lists total \$162,505.41

10. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Lead Administrator approve the Business Office consultant Krystal Mosley to assist with Business office duties due to position vacancy at a rate of \$45 per hour until the hiring of appropriate staff subject to reference checks.

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

XVII. ADJOURNMENT