



**ACADEMY FOR URBAN LEADERSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
612 AMBOY AVE. PERTH AMBOY, NJ
7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 24, 2024**

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:

Mr. Joshua Bishop-Mbachu - President
Ms. Michelle Roman – Vice President
Mr. Saad Syed – Corporate Secretary
Ms. Eloisa Hernandez
Ms. Yadira Puntiel
Mr. Ambiorix Ramirez

Additional Attendees:

Dr. Jack A. Perna - Interim Chief Administrator
Ms. Bernadette Pinto – Interim BA/Board Secretary
Ms. Patricia Bombelyn - Board Attorney
Ms. Tobi Knehr - Middle School Administrator
Dr. Edwin Duroy - Per Diem Administrator

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Move that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Board meeting minutes from March 27, 2024.

Move that the Board of Trustees approve the meeting Special Board minutes from April 5, 2024.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

None

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board President invites members of the public to present any comments to the Board (limited to three minutes).

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

Middlesex County Teen Arts Festival - Student Presentations

IX. STAKEHOLDER REPORTS

X. INTERIM CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Academic Excellence
2. Human Resource and Recognition
3. Finance and Facilities
4. Executive

XII. MOTIONS

Academic Excellence

1. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator approve the following field trip requests:

Field trip	Students	Date(s)	Location	Cost
Dorney Park and Wildwater Kingdom	120 Students: Gr. 7 – 20 students Gr. 8 - 20 students Gr. 9 - 30 students Gr.10 – 30 students Gr.11 – 20 students	June 6, 2024 (rain date June 13, 2024)	Dorney Park, 4000 Dorney Park Rd, Allentown, PA 18104	Admissions: \$54.01 per student x 120 students = \$6,481.20 deposit is required upon booking to reserve the space. 3 Buses: 3 x \$1300 not to exceed = \$3,900 Total cost of \$10,381.20 funded by ARP ESSER
American Dream Mall Sea Life Aquarium	40 12 th Gr. Students + 4 chaperones	May 20, 2024	1 American Dream Way East Rutherford NJ 07073	Entry total = \$560.00 + 1 bus @ \$600 Total cost =\$1,160.00 funded by ARP ESSER
Regal Hadley Cinema to view “Civil War”	40 Social Studies Students + 4 chaperones	April 30 (rain date May 20)	Regal Hadley 1000 Corporate CT, South Plainfield, NJ 07080	Entry fee \$535 Bus not to exceed \$625 Total = \$1,160.00 funded by ARP ESSER
Yogi Berra Museum	118 ACS Students: 3rd-8th Grade	May 8,9 and 24, 2024	8 Yogi Berra Dr., Little Falls, NJ 07424	Admissions: \$1,770 3 buses not to exceed \$1,350 Total cost of \$3,120 funded by 21st CCLC.
Pequest Fish Hatchery	25 Students 5 Chaperones	May 9, 2024	Pequest Fish Hatchery, Oxford, NJ	Admissions: \$50 Supplies: \$86 Bus: \$700 Total cost of \$836 funded by Farm to School Grant

2. Move that the Board of Trustees, under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator approve a contract with Life Touch for the provision of the Class of 2024 Yearbook for the amount of \$3,600.00 funded by General Funds.

3. Move that the Board of Trustees, under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator approve a purchase requisition for speaker services from “Mental Hop” (Dr. R. Sconiers) for a total cost of \$2,500 funded by ARP ESSER Mental Health.

Human Resources and Recognition

1. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator approve the following appointment:

Candidate Name	Position Title	Prorated Stipend	Effective Date
Mabel Leonardo	Child Study Team Case Manager	\$40.00/hour not to exceed \$7,000.00 funded by IDEA/ARP	4/25/2024

2. Move that the Board of Trustees under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator approve the following appointment:

Candidate Name	Position Title	Stipend	Start Date
Maxine Estevez	Yearbook Advisor	\$1,000.00	4/25/2024

3. Move that the Board of Trustees, under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator, accept the following termination:

Name	Position	Effective Date
Eammon Flynn	Building Based Sub Teacher	4/10/24

Finance and Facilities

1. Move that the Board of Trustees, under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator, approve the Bills List for the period of 3/28/24 to 4/24/24.

2. Move that the Board of Trustees, under the recommendation of the Interim Chief Administrator and School Business Administrator, approve the Board Secretary’s (A148) Report, Treasurer’s Report, and transfers for the month ending March 2024. Be it further

resolved that the Board of Trustees, under the recommendation of the Interim 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 March 31, 2024, no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures that in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

XIII. OTHER MOTIONS

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

XV. 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.
 - Attorney Client Privilege
 - Negotiations
 - Personnel
 - Kelly VS AUL
 - Student Discipline

XVI. ADJOURNMENT