



Persistence Prep Board Meeting Minutes

August 22, 2022
4:30-6:00pm
378 Urban Street
Buffalo, NY 14211

Mission

Through rigorous academics, high-quality instruction and leadership development, Persistence Preparatory Academy Charter School ensures that all K through 8 scholars are firmly on the path to succeed within a four-year college and create positive change within their communities.

Subject to applicable law and to any adopted regulations limiting the total amount of time allocated for public testimony on particular issues and for each individual speaker, members of the public shall have an opportunity at the meeting to directly address the Board of Trustees of Persistence Prep concerning any item in this notice during the public comment period. Members of the public and all other interested parties are cordially invited to attend the meeting in person at the above-described location. Individuals wishing to speak at a Board meeting must sign up at the meeting, using the signup sheet provided by Persistence Prep. There will be no sign ups in advance of the meeting. Speakers must sign up prior to the item being acted upon by the Board.

Meeting Called By:	KC @4:51pm	Goals of the Meeting:
Board Member Attendees:	Dan Greene	
	Ken Newsom	
	Rebecca Izzo	
	Aaron Bennett	
	Misha Russo	
	Bobbie Finocchio	
	Kevin Celniker	
	Catherine Roberts	
Board Members Absent:	Derrick Parson	
	Amanda Winkelsas	
	Darnell Haywood	
	Elisha Tomasello	
Members of Public Present:	N/A	

AGENDA ITEM	LEAD	NOTES	TIME	ACTION
I. Welcome			4:30pm	
A. Call the Meeting to Order	Chair	KC @ 4:51pm	4:30pm	
II. Public Comment	Chair		4:30pm	
III. Consent Agenda	Chair		4:35pm	
A. Approval of: July Meeting Minutes, Committee Meeting Minutes				VOTE 1 st : KN 2 nd : DG FOR: DG, KN, RI, AB, MR, BF, KC, CR

				AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
IV. Committee Reports	Committee Chairs		4:40pm	
V. Review of July 2022 Financials	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 2022 Financials • July 2022 narrative • Positive to budget for this point in the year • Variances reflect large amount of purchasing in July for school year 	4:45pm	VOTE 1st: DG 2nd: MR FOR: DG, KN, RI, AB, MR, BF, KC, CR AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
VI. Approve District Wide Safety Plan	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Safety Plan • Posted on website for 30 day comment period • Approved 	4:55am	VOTE 1st: BF 2nd: KC FOR: DG, KN, RI, AB, MR, BF, KC, CR AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
VII. Approve External Audit Engagement Letter	Head of School Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement letter from Lumsden McCormick • Approved for external audit 	5:05pm	VOTE 1st: KC 2nd: RI FOR: DG, KN, RI, AB, MR, BF, KC, CR AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
VII. Head of School Report/ Dashboard	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Data Dashboard • 22-23 School Readiness Dashboard • Fully enrolled and staffed for year ahead • PD underway for staff 	5:10pm	
VIII. TNTP Insight Survey Analysis	Head of School Leadership Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TNTP Insight results • PPA Leadership plan of action • HOS will report monthly survey results and pulse checks to leadership team around 3 focus areas 	5:25pm	
IX. Facility Waterproofing Needs	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waterproofing quotes • Overview of building damage • Next steps: letter to city, call architect, explore alternative replacement materials for drywall, investigate installation of check valve 	5:45pm	



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X. Closing Items			6:00pm	
A. Next Steps	Chair Head of School			
B. Adjourn Meeting		Meeting adjourned @ 6:03pm		VOTE 1st: DG 2nd: MR FOR: DG, KN, RI, AB, MR, BF, KC, CR AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
X. Executive Session		Executive session not needed		