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| **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:** | Elisha Tomasello @ 8:35am | **Goals of the Meeting:*** Review & approve December 2022 financials
* Review monthly dashboard & School MOY Academic Data
* Review and approve slate of proposed new trustees
* Revise bylaws to establish an Emeritus Board
* Discuss solutions for continued facility water issues
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| **Board Member Attendees:** | Elisha Tomasello |
|  | Aaron Bennett |
|  | Darnell Haywood |
|  | Zach Melas |
|  | Jen Zorn |
|  | Rebecca Izzo |
|  | Bobbie Finocchio |
|  | Kevin Celniker |
|  | Catherine Roberts |
|  | Derrick Parson |
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| **Board Members Absent:** | Ken Newsom  |
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| **Members of Public Present:** | Christian Martinez, Potential trustee, Sandhill Investment Fund |
|  | Edward Spidell, President of Buffalo District Parent Coordinating Council  |
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| **AGENDA ITEM** | **LEAD** | **NOTES** | **TIME** | **ACTION** |
| **I. Welcome** |  |  | 8:30am |  |
| A. Call the Meeting to Order | Chair |  | 8:30am |  |
| II. **Public Comment** | Chair | Christian Martinez- introduced himself and his work; works closely with the Bison Fund Scholarship Fund; interested in supporting PPA as a trustee Ed Spidell- came to learn more about PPA; serves as strong advocates for parents across Buffalo; emphasis on the rights of parents in schools, especially around SPED  | 8:30am |  |
| **III. Consent Agenda** | Chair | Review of December meeting minutes, Facilities committee minutes and Academic Accountability minutes  | 8:35am |  |
| A. Approval of: December Meeting Minutes, Committee Meeting Minutes |  |  |  | **VOTE****1st: RI 2nd: CR****FOR: ET, AB, DH, ZM, JZ, RI, BF, KC, CR, DP****AGAINST: N/A****ABSTAIN: N/A** |
| **IV. Committee Updates** | Committee Chairs |  | 8:40am |  |
| **V. Review of December 2022 Financials** | Treasurer | * December 2022 Financials
* December 2022 narrative
* No major change in variances- largely due to timing and annual fees incurred by school
* Current ratio remains strong
 |  8:50am | **VOTE****1st: JZ 2nd: CR****FOR: ET, AB, DH, ZM, JZ, RI, BF, KC, CR, DP****AGAINST: N/A****ABSTAIN: N/A** |
| **VI. PPA Bylaw Amendment- Emeritus Committee** | Head of School Board Chair  | * Proposed bylaw edit to establish emeritus committee
* New proposed bylaws outline invitation to committee by governance committee; edit will be submitted to SUNY
 | 9:00am | **VOTE** **1st: KC 2ND: DH****FOR: ET, AB, DH, ZM, JZ, RI, BF, KC, CR, DP****AGAINST: N/A****ABSTAIN: N/A** |
| **VII. Head of School Report/ Dashboard**  | Head of School  | * Monthly Data Dashboard- enrollment back up to budget
* January Management Report – focus is on staff recruitment to fill vacancies and recruit for middle school positions
* State Comptroller Audit- audit area chosen for credit card purchases
* 23-24 Enrollment Update- applications trending up from previous years
 | 9:15am |  |
| **VIII. Academic Data: MOY Data Analysis** | Head of School Academic Chair | * MOY Academic Data
* 22-23 Academic Dashboard
* MOY data comparison 21-22 to 22-23- much stronger academic position than this time last year
* Area of growth: 1st grade DIBELS; plan of action to be presented in Feb
* Interim #3 will take place in February
 | 9:35am |  |
| **IX. Facility Needs** | Head of School  | * Progress Updates – waterproofing work happening over Feb break; drywall to follow
* New roof install pending scheduling
* Upcoming Needs – need to begin discussion about possible expansion
 | 9:50am |  |
| **X. Election of New Trustees** | Board ChairGovernance Committee | * Resume, Nicole Wodka-Cook
* Resume, Adrianna Viverette
* Resume, Chris Ciechoski
* Governance committee recommends approval of full slate
 | 9:55am | **VOTE** **1st: BF 2ND: CR****FOR: ET, AB, DH, ZM, JZ, RI, BF, KC, CR, DP****AGAINST: N/A****ABSTAIN: N/A** |
|  **XI. Closing Items** |  |  |  10:00am |  |
| A. Next Steps | ChairHead of School | * Attend board appreciation event on 1/26
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| B. Adjourn Meeting |  |  |  | **VOTE****1st: ET 2nd: KC****FOR: ET, AB, DH, ZM, JZ, RI, BF, KC, CR, DP****AGAINST: N/A****ABSTAIN: N/A**  |
| **X. Executive Session** |  | Executive session called to finalize annual evaluation of Head of School; evaluation will be presented at February meeting Executive session adjourned at 10:37am  |  |  |