

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 @ 8:44am	Goals of the Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review & approve November & December 2023 financials Discuss upcoming school needs: facilities, development, etc. Review MOY Academic data & comparative State Test data Review & approve appointment of new trustee
Board Member Attendees:	Elisha Tomasello	
	Zach Melas	
	Darnell Haywood	
	Aaron Bennett	
	Kevin Celniker	
	Adrianna Viverette	
	Brandi Haynes	
Board Members Absent:	Rebecca Izzo	
	Jen Zorn	
	Nicole Wodka-Cook	
	Bobbie Finocchio	
	Chris Ciechoski	
Members of Public Present:	None	

AGENDA ITEM	LEAD	NOTES	TIME	ACTION
I. Welcome			8:30m	
A. Call the Meeting to Order	Chair	ET @ 8:44am	8:30am	
II. Public Comment	Chair	No members of the public present	8:30am	
III. Consent Agenda	Chair		8:35am	
A. Approval of: November Meeting Minutes, Committee Meeting Minutes				VOTE 1 st : AB 2 nd : KC FOR: ET, ZM, DH, AB, KC, AV, BH AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
IV. Review of November 2023 Financials	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> November 2023 Financials November 2023 narrative Cash position strong No major variances 	8:40am	VOTE 1 st : ZM 2 nd : BH FOR: ET, ZM, DH, AB, KC, AV, BH

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January 25, 2024
8:30-10:00am
378 Urban Street
Buffalo, NY 14211

				AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
IV. Review of December 2023 Financials	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 2023 Financials December 2023 narrative Cash position strong No major variances 	8:50am	VOTE 1 st : DH 2 nd : AB FOR: ET, ZM, DH, AB, KC, AV, BH AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
V. Head of School Report/ Dashboard	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monthly Data Dashboard January Management Report Facility & Development Updates – waiting for response from BFNHS about land purchase Enrollment/recruitment updates- trending positive to last year SUNY Meeting Recap- pleased with demonstrated growth; continued academic focus, especially on middle school grades 	9:00am	
VI. Election of New Trustee	Board Chair Governance Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Savannah Figueroa Resume Recommended by the governance committee for appointment Board voted for approval 	9:20am	VOTE 1 st : ZM 2 nd : KC FOR: ET, ZM, DH, AB, KC, AV, BH AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
VII. Review of Academic Data	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MOY DIBELS- on track to meet EOY goals Interim #2- saw a dip, but test fatigue/ time of year; not reflective of class performance; led analysis meetings and developed action plans State Test Comparison Schools – closed gap with district, competing with other schools with similar demographics 	9:30am	
VIII. Closing Items			10:00am	
A. Next Steps	Chair Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February Board Retreat- scheduled for Saturday 2/3 at 9am 		
B. Adjourn Meeting				VOTE 1 st : BH 2 nd : AV FOR: ET, ZM, DH, AB, KC, AV, BH AGAINST: N/A ABSTAIN: N/A
X. Executive Session		Executive session not needed		