

### 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.

<b>Meeting Called By:</b>	Elisha Tomasello @ 8:35am	<b>Goals of the Meeting:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review &amp; approve June 2024 financials</li> <li>Approve SY 24-25 Back Office Provider Contract</li> <li>Review District Safety Plan</li> <li>Review enrollment progress &amp; continue discussion around school branding</li> <li>Review BOT workplan &amp; progress to goals</li> </ul>
<b>Board Member Attendees:</b>	Elisha Tomasello	
	Zach Melas	
	Kevin Celniker	
	Jen Zorn	
	Adriana Viverette	
	Nicole Wodka-Cook	
	Aaron Bennett	
	Chris Ciechoski	
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	Rebecca Izzo	
	Darnell Haywood	
	Bobbie Finocchio	
	Brandi Haynes	
<b>Members of Public Present:</b>	Zack Kibler, Finance Committee	
	Jasmine Mungo, Middle School Principal	

AGENDA ITEM	LEAD	NOTES	TIME	ACTION
<b>I. Welcome</b>			8:30am	
A. Call the Meeting to Order	Chair	ET @ 8:35am	8:30am	
<b>II. Public Comment</b>	Chair	No members of the public present	8:30am	
<b>III. Consent Agenda</b>	Chair		8:35am	
A. Approval of: June Meeting Minutes, Committee Meeting Minutes				<b>VOTE</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup>:</b> KC <b>2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> ZM <b>FOR:</b> ET, ZM, KC, JZ, AV, NC, AB, CC <b>AGAINST:</b> N/A <b>ABSTAIN:</b> N/A
<b>IV. Committee Updates &amp; Fundraiser Update</b>	Board Chair Committee Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final details shared about upcoming golf fundraiser</li> </ul>	8:40am	

## Persistence Prep Board Meeting Minutes

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

<b>IV. Review &amp; Approval of June 2024 Financials</b>	Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>June 2024 Financials</li> <li>June 2024 narrative</li> <li>Draft form only- awaiting closing of all accounts for the year</li> <li>Major expense of roof will still hit the bottom line</li> <li>Ending year in strong financial position; positive to budget with strong cash reserves</li> </ul>	8:50am	<b>VOTE</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup>:</b> NC <b>2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> AB <b>FOR:</b> ET, ZM, KC, JZ, AV, NC, AB, CC <b>AGAINST:</b> N/A <b>ABSTAIN:</b> N/A
<b>V. Back Office Provider Contract</b>	Head of School Board Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>24-25 Kirisits Back Office Services Proposal</li> <li>Recommended approval by Finance Committee to renew for 1 year and return to hourly blended rate for services</li> </ul>	9:00am	<b>VOTE</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup>:</b> JZ <b>2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> AV <b>FOR:</b> ET, ZM, KC, JZ, AV, NC, AB, CC <b>AGAINST:</b> N/A <b>ABSTAIN:</b> N/A
<b>VI. Head of School Report/ Dashboard</b>	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly Data Dashboard</li> <li>July Management Report</li> <li>Facility &amp; Development Updates – still awaiting response from BFNHS</li> <li>Enrollment/recruitment updates- making steady progress on Kinder; met goal in all other grades</li> <li>24-25 School Readiness Report – hiring underway and in strong position</li> </ul>	9:20am	
<b>VII. District Safety Plan</b>	Head of School Director of Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review District Safety Plan</li> <li>Posted for Public Comment for next 30 days</li> <li>Board will approve at August meeting</li> </ul>	9:35am	
<b>VIII. BOT Work Plan &amp; Goals</b>	Board Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>24-25 BOT Goals</li> <li>Reflect on progress made to date</li> <li>Continued work on trustee recruitment and succession planning</li> </ul>	9:45am	
<b>IX. Facility Discussion</b>	Head of School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary of water issues</li> <li>Projected clean-up work</li> <li>Discussed need for outside expert to assess all water/ foundation concerns of the building</li> </ul>	9:55am	
<b>X. Closing Items</b>			10:00am	

A. Next Steps	Chair Head of School			
B. Adjourn Meeting				<b>VOTE</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup>:</b> ZM <b>2<sup>nd</sup>:</b> NC <b>FOR:</b> ET, ZM, KC, JZ, AV, NC, AB, CC <b>AGAINST:</b> N/A <b>ABSTAIN:</b> N/A
X. Executive Session		Executive session anticipated for HOS Annual Evaluation		