

**College Achieve
Paterson
Charter School**

**Minutes for Board of Trustees Meeting
August 24, 2017
Formal Action Will or May be Taken**

- I. Call to Order by Board President – 5:42 PM**
- II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law**

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and is open to the public. Notices were duly posted and the meeting was advertised in the Courier News. Formal action will be taken.

- III. Salute to Flag**
- IV. Roll Call**

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Andrew Fesen	X		Jerry Walker	X	
Roger Grutzmacher	X		Craig Woolridge		X
Kenyatta Stewart	X				

Also Present	Present	Absent
Brian Falkowski, Ed.D., SBA	X	
Michael Piscal, CEO, College Achieve Public Schools	X	
Gemar Mills, Executive Director, College Achieve Public Schools	X	
Thomas C. McMahon, Ed.D., CFO, College Achieve Public Schools	X	

V. Minutes

- 1. To approve the minutes from the Board of Trustee meeting from June 26, 2017.

Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Andrew Fesen	1	X				Jerry Walker		X			
Roger Grutzmacher	2	X				Craig Woolridge					X
Kenyatta Stewart		X									

VI. Public Comment - None

Members of the public wishing to address the Board of Trustees must state their name and are requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. Please be aware that all Charter School employees retain the right of privacy and shall retain all rights against defamation and slander according to the laws of New Jersey. The Board shall not be held liable for comments made by members of the public. Each member of the public will be given one opportunity to address the Board.

VII. Board President’s Report - None

VIII. Executive Director’s Report – Gemar Mills reported on the following:

- 1. Received County approval to open.
- 2. Teachers have been training.
- 3. Book bag giveaway.
- 4. All supplies and materials have been received.
- 5. School is ready to go for Monday.

- IX. **College Achieve Public Schools Report** – Mike Piscal updated the Board on the facilities.
- X. **Board Comments** - None
- XI. **Motions for Approval**

1. **Finance**

- a. Bills List: To approve bills and check list for the period ending August 24, 2017.

Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Board Member	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Andrew Fesen		X				Jerry Walker		X			
Roger Grutzmacher	1	X				Craig Woolridge					X
Kenyatta Stewart	2	X									

2. **Travel**

3. **Buildings & Grounds**

4. **Personnel**

- a. To approve/ratify the following new hires for the 2017/2018 school year:

Name	Position	10/12 Month	Amount	Stipend	Bonus	Total Compensation	Start Date
Marla Wesley	Kindergarten	10	55,500			55,500	8/21/2017
Monique Reynolds	1 st grade	10	52,000			52,000	8/21/2017
Cherelle Treadwell-Sims	1 st grade	10	52,000			52,000	8/21/2017
Siteria Williams	1 st grade Co-Teacher	10	35,000			35,000	8/21/2017
Mary Patricia Ford	5 th Grade English	10	45,000			45,000	8/21/2017
Ericka Calderon	5 th Grade History	10	48,000			48,000	8/21/2017
Nicolle Harris	5 th Grade Science	10	50,500			50,500	8/21/2017
Chris Kopitar	6 th Grade History	10	52,000			52,000	8/21/2017
Aubrey Nathan	6 th Grade Science	10	50,000			50,000	8/21/2017
Durell Clark	Social Worker	10	60,000	3,000		63,000	8/21/2017
Kelinda Young	Special Education	10	60,000			60,000	8/21/2017
Vanessa Ventura	ELL Teacher	10	48,000			48,000	8/21/2017
Simone Bennett	1 st Grade Science	10	48,000			48,000	8/21/2017
Flavia Compres	Family Worker	10	28,000			28,000	8/21/2017
Maurice Brown	Food Manager	10	28,000			28,000	8/21/2017

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Kenyatta Stewart		X									

5. **Curriculum / Special Education** - None

6. **Policy / Governance / Operations / Miscellaneous**

- a. To approve the 2017-2020 Comprehensive Equity Plan and its submission to the NJDOE.
- b. To approve a waiver for Pre-K and Kindergarten bathroom facilities and its submission to the NJDOE.
- c. To approve the educational adequacy waiver (class size) and its submission to the NJDOE.
- d. Resolution to Approve Charter Amendment Request

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education Office permits charter amendments to be requested pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:11-2.6 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the College Achieve Paterson Charter School Board of Trustees seeks to shorten the school day from Monday – Thursday 7:30 am - 4:15 pm to Monday – Thursday 7:30 am - 3:45 pm and Friday 7:30 am – 1:45 pm to Friday 7:30-1:30;

WHEREAS, the shortened school day will allow the Board of Trustees to attract quality educators as well as retain the educators already hired;

WHEREAS, the College Achieve Paterson Charter School will continue to maintain the same high level of education to its students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the College Achieve Paterson Charter School Board of Trustees requests a charter amendment to allow for a shortened school day from the hours of Monday – Thursday 7:30 am - 4:15 pm to Monday – Thursday 7:30 am - 3:45 pm and Friday 7:30 am – 1:45 pm to Friday 7:30 am - 1:30 pm.

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XII. Executive Session - None

XIII. Adjourn Executive Session - None

XIV. Old Business - None

XV. New Business - None

XVI. Reports / Look Ahead / Miscellaneous

1. Upcoming Board Meeting Dates at 5:30 PM at 21 Market Street:

- a. Sep 21, 2017
- b. Nov 16, 2017
- c. Jan 18, 2018
- d. Mar 15, 2018
- e. May 3, 2018

XVII. Adjourn Public Session – 6:13 PM

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