



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes November 13, 2025

A. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm.

B. Welcome

C. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Thomas Gallagher	X	
Ms. Dami Kabiawu	X	
Mr. Tom Ogorzalek		X
Mr. Lonnie Sobel	X	
Ms. Monica Quiroga Zaslower		X

Also Present:

Bret Schunder, Lead Person

Menachem Bazian, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Angela Thomas, Director of Education

Bobby Seetaram, Director of Operations

D. Approval of October 23, 2025 minutes

Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Thomas Gallagher (Motion)	X			
Ms. Dami Kabiawu	X			
Mr. Tom Ogorzalek				X
Mr. Lonnie Sobel (Second)	X			
Ms. Monica Quiroga Zaslower				X

E. Public Comments

Ms. Zaslower arrived at 7:36 pm.

F. School Review

1. Educational – Angela Thomas
2. Financial – Menachem Bazian

Cash on hand is 20.5 million. 203 Days Cash on hand. Mr. Bazian reported on the board's questions regarding the estimate prepared earlier in the year regarding Transportation shared costs with BelovED.

G. Facilities – Bret Schundler

H. HIB Reports

Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Thomas Gallagher (Motion)	X			
Ms. Dami Kabiawu	X			
Mr. Tom Ogorzalek				X
Mr. Lonnie Sobel (Second)	X			
Ms. Monica Quiroga Zaslower	X			

I. Policies, Plans, Grants, and Submissions

J. Human Resources

Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Thomas Gallagher (Motion)	X			
Ms. Dami Kabiawu	X			
Mr. Tom Ogorzalek				X
Mr. Lonnie Sobel	X			
Ms. Monica Quiroga Zaslower (Second)	X			

1. **2025-11-13-01 Resolved**, the EA Board of Trustees approves of the **SY26** Contracts effective per Start Date noted on Appendix A, Schedule 1.
2. **2025-11-13-02 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the **SY26** stipends effective per Start Date noted on Appendix A, Schedule 2.
3. **2025-11-13-03 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees approves **SY26** replacement contracts effective per start date noted on Appendix A, Schedule 3.
4. **2025-11-13-04 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees approves the retirements, resignations, and terminations effective per effective date noted on Appendix A, Schedule 4.

Motion to approve items K (Business) and L (Field Trips).

Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Thomas Gallagher (Second)	X			
Ms. Dami Kabiawu (Motion)	X			
Mr. Tom Ogorzalek				X
Mr. Lonnie Sobel	X			
Ms. Monica Quiroga Zaslower	X			

K. Business

1. **2025-11-13-05 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees approves the Payment of Claims in the amount of \$986,172.26 for the period ~~October 2 – November 1, 2025~~ November 2 – December 1, 2025.
2. **2025-11-13-06 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to fund the Payrolls of December 15, 2025, and \$1,250,000, December 31, 2025, for \$1,250,000, respectively. Employer Taxes are included in each Payroll.
3. **2025-11-13-07 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees approves the Board Secretary Report for October 2025.
4. **2025-11-13-08 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees approves the SY26 Treasurer’s Report for October 2025.
5. **2025-11-13-09 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator and Lead Person to submit the CSP Grant Budget for 7/1/2025-9/30/2026.
6. **2025-11-13-10 Resolved**, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the purchase of 70 replacement laptops for EA staff from SHI International Corp. in the amount of \$73,472.44.

L. Field Trips

Cheerleader Competitions

Date	Event	Cost
11/23/2025	Edison High School Edison, NJ	\$150
12/14/2025	West Orange High School West Orange, NJ	\$125
1/17/2026	Lyndhurst High School Lyndhurst, NJ	\$125
1/24/2026	Secaucus High School Secaucus, NJ	\$150
2/8/2026	Wayne High School Wayne, NJ	\$150

M. Executive Session

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.