

***Pace Charter School of Hamilton
Board of Trustees – Regular Meeting***

Tuesday, January 20, 2026
5:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of the Pace Charter School of Hamilton, Board of Education is called to order at 5:00 in the Pace Charter School of Hamilton multi-purpose room located at 52 Lafayette Ave. in Hamilton, NJ 08610.

OPEN MEETING:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the local news media and placed on the public notice located at the Pace Charter School of Hamilton Main Office at each location as required in the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.

ROLL CALL:

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
Present	X	X	X	X	X	X
Absent						
LA/ED						

Administrators Present:

Deborah A. Pontoriero, Chief School Administrator; Donna Torres, School Business Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT*

Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

*If there are members of the public present, the Board Secretary will read the public comment statement.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

Motion to accept the meeting minutes from the December 16, 2025 general meeting as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st	X					
2 nd			X			
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st	X					
2nd			X			
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

FINANCE

The following financial reports pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23, 11©3 that no line-item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriate in violation of N.J.A.C 6A23-2.11(a) as certified by the Board Secretary, and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2 11(c)4 that no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-02.11 (b) as contained in the Board Secretary's Report, and/or Internal Cash Report.

Motion to approve the January 2026 Bills List in the total of \$208,966.77 and also the ratifying bills in the amount of \$0 including the approval to pay additional bills as needed between this meeting and the next meeting with a list to be presented for ratification at the next meeting.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st					X	
2nd						X
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to accept the Board Secretary's Reports as presented for December 2025.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st						
2nd		X			X	
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to accept the Internal Cash Reports as presented for December 2025.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st	X					
2nd					X	
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to accept the December 30th and January 16th payroll.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st	X					
2 nd						X
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve Policy 4111 Recruitment, Selection and Hiring as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st					X	
2 nd	X					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve Policy 5127 Commencement Activities as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st					X	
2 nd	X					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve Policy 5145.7 Gender Identity and Expression as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st					X	
2 nd	X					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve Policy 6163.1 Media Center, Library as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st					X	
2 nd	X					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve Policy 6163. 1(E) Media Center Library Request for Removal Form Exhibit Charter School as presented.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st			X			
2 nd				X		
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve the audited beginning fund balance from FY25 ACFR and October 15, 2025 enrollment and corresponding revenues.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st		X				
2 nd	X					
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

Motion to approve the Revised 2025-2026 Budget, Cash Flow, and Narrative will be uploaded to the Office of Charter and Renaissance School, NJ Department of Education via the NJ Homeroom.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st	X					
2 nd					X	
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

ADJOURNMENT

Time: 5:30

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

	Lakisha Williams President	Tamara Childs Board Secretary	Norma Villanueva Community Representative	Tameko Webster Community Representative	Tamara Powell Community Representative	Zenaida Sanchez Parent Representative
1 st						X
2 nd			X			
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						

***Pace Charter School of Hamilton
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Tamara Childs

Tamara Childs, Board Secretary