

1. Public Session

CALL TO ORDER: Trustee Larry Berger called the board meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

A. ATTENDANCE:

- Larry Berger, Board President
- Will Thompkins, Board Vice President
- Erin Curges, Board Secretary (Phone)
- Carlton F. Watson
- Dr. Jessica Spradley (Zoom)

Absent from the Meeting were the following members of the Board of Trustees:

- Jason Farmakis, Board Treasurer
- Allen Robinson (Zoom)
- Jerome Jackson
- Leslie Kittenbrink

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

- John Rushford, *Attorney*
- Vasilios Scoumis, *CEO*
- Phylissa Thomas, *Director*
- Joya Periminter, *PTO Co-Secretary*
- Melissa Strader, *Secretary Pro Tem*
- Latara Burton, *Parent*
- Tamara Blanchard, *Grandparent*

B. BOARD MINUTES REVIEW & VOTE OF APPROVAL

1. The Minutes from the September 11, 2025, meeting were reviewed. Trustee Will Thompkins made the motion to approve the minutes. Trustee Carlton Watson seconded the motion. The vote to approve the minutes passed unanimously.

C. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Mr. Scoumis, CEO, presented the October Financial Report. The board recommended that vacant slots be filled as soon as possible. Additionally, it was pointed out that due to the State Budget Impasse and the shutdown of the Federal Government, no Federal money was included in the projections in the October Financials. After a brief discussion, Trustee Will Thompkins made a motion to approve the August, September, October Financial Statements. Trustee Carlton Watson seconded the motion. The vote to approve the financial statements passed unanimously.

D. PARENT REQUEST - Trustee Larry Berger opened the floor for Tayara Burton, Parent to speak to the trustees. Ms. Burton has a child with special health concerns. The child's 504 Plan says that a full-time Nurse is needed. The parent requested a full-time nurse be provided. The trustees heard the request. Attorney John Rushford said that his office needed additional information before weighing in on the request - which they received. Soon, they will be able to give Mr. Scoumis their recommendation.

E. CEO REPORT

1. **Hair Cuts for Students** - CEO Vasilios Scoumis shared pictures and highlighted that former students Jahi Jackson (Son of Trustee Jerome Jackson) gave free haircuts to students.
2. **Courtyard Proposal** - CEO Vasilios Scoumis presented a quote from H2I Group for safety related updates to the courtyard. The price quoted for indoor, outdoor, and window padding was \$11,215. Trustee Will Thompkins made a motion to approve the quote and updates. Trustee [Erin Curges](#) seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **PPS Tuition Payment Reduction** – CEO Vasilios Scoumis informed trustees that PPS notified the charter schools that tuition payments would be reduced until the PA State Budget was passed.
4. **Line of Credit Application** - CEO Vasilios Scoumis announced that he proactively applied for a line of credit, just in case MACS needed help making payroll and paying bills.
5. **Middle School Principle** - Trustee Carlton Watson has accepted the position and should officially move into the role at the start of the new year.
6. **Student Education Records Policy** - The board reviewed the policy. Trustee Will Thompkins made a motion. Trustee Erin Curges seconded the motion. The vote to adopt the policy passed unanimously.
7. **Weapons Communication** - The state requires students and staff to be notified when someone is caught with a weapon on school property. Recently, backpack checks revealed a box cutter. It was dealt with and notifications took place.
8. **Church Update** - The church was listed for sale for \$300K and the rectory for \$200K.

9. **Five Year Renewal** - CEO Vasilios Scoumis announced that February 15th will be the PPS Audit. MACS is applying for its five-year renewal. Additionally, Trustee Will Thompkins and CEO Vasilios Scoumis met with the Superintendent Wayne Walters.

A. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – The location for December’s Meeting will be announced. It will be a joint Christmas celebration with MYDC.

B. **NEW BUSINESS** -

C. **ADJOURNMENT**

1. Trustee Will Thompkins made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Erin Curses seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM.

Melissa Strader

Melissa Strader, Recording Secretary

Erin Curses

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Erin Curses, Board Secretary

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Final Audit Report

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