

EMPOWERMENT ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 8, 2023, 7:30PM
240 Ege Avenue
Jersey City, New Jersey 07304

Minutes

A. Call to Order

B. Welcome

C. Roll Call

Present: M. Zaslower, L. Sobel, D. Kabiawu, T. Gallagher, T. Ogorzalek, S. Saluja
No: None

D. Approval of May 11,2023, Minutes

E. Approval of June 8,2023 Minutes

F. Public Comment: None

G. Human Resources

Roll Call Vote on Item 1 - 5

Motion: T. Ogorzalek
Second: D. Kabiawu

Yes: M. Zaslower, L. Sobel, D. Kabiawu, T. Gallagher, T. Ogorzalek, S. Saluja
No: None
Absent: T. Gallagher, L. Sobel

1. **2023-06-08-01** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves the following employee to receive a Stipend for SY23 effective September 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, per Appendix A Schedule 1.
2. **2023-06-08-02** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the following SY24 hires effective from September 1,2023 through June 30,2024 per Appendix A Schedule 2.
3. **2023-06-08-03** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the following employees to receive Stipends for SY24 from September 1,2023 through June 30,2024 per Schedule 3.
4. **2023-06-08-04** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the following SY24 Summer School hires to receive Stipends from July 5,2023 through August 4,2023 per Schedule 4.
5. **2023-06-08-05** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the following Resignations with the effective dates listed per Appendix A Schedule 5.

H. Business

Roll Call Vote on Item 1 - 17

Motion: D. Kabiawu

Second: T. Ogorzalek

Yes: M. Zaslower, L. Sobel, D. Kabiawu, T. Gallagher, T. Ogorzalek, S. Saluja

No: None

Absent: T. Gallagher, L. Sobel

1. **2023-06-08-06** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves the Payment of Claims in the amount \$335,858.53 for the period 06/02/23 – 06/30/23.
2. **2023-06-08-07** Resolved, The EA Board of trustees approves the Payment of Claims in the amount of \$127,773.43 for checks dated July 1,2023.
3. **2023-06-08-08** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to fund the Payrolls of June 15,2023 in the amount of \$500,000 and June 30,2023 in the amount of \$500,000, respectively. Employer Taxes are included in each Payroll.
4. **2023-06-08-09** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves the Board Secretary Reports for the month May 2023.
5. **2023-06-08-10** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the following expenditures* for repairs at the High School:

A1 Wiring	Gymnasium Fire Alarm System Wiring	\$18,000
EA Services	Garage Demolition, Asbestos Testing & Abatement	\$44,100
MAP Restaurant Supplies	Kitchen Equipment	\$86,448
Hudson Epoxy Flooring	Basement Floor Demolition & Refinishing	\$29,900
Universal Maintenance	Installation of (2) Grease Traps & Sinks	\$ 6,000
Salsbury Industries	Student Lockers	\$28,390
Stand Steady, Inc	Teacher Desks	\$ 4,350
Universal Maintenance	Plumbing Repairs in Bathrooms	\$18,480
Impact Fire Services	Kitchen Fire Suppression System	\$ 4,489
A1 Wiring	Access Control System, Doorbell, Video Intercom	\$ 4,802
Dalite Construction	Repair & Replacement of Floor Tiles	\$7,000

* Expenditures are up to amounts

6. **2023-06-08-11** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the expenditure to WB Mason for

used furniture to furnish the HS & UES. Cost up to \$13,000.

7. **2023-06-08-12** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to enter into an agreement with Maschio Food Services Inc for SY24 to provide Breakfast and Lunch to students at all campuses. The contract is break-even, and the Management Fee is \$27,142.
8. **2023-06-08-13** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to enter a Shared Services Agreement for SY24 with Beloved Community Charter School for Transportation Services. Annual Cost - \$517,6683
9. **2023-06-08-14** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to enter into a Shared Services Agreement for SY24 with Beloved Community Charter School for Personnel Services. Approximate Net Income to Empowerment Academy \$10,000.
10. **2023-06-08-15** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to enter into an agreement for SY24 to provide Education Consulting Services at an annual fee of \$197,100 and Acting Head Dean at an annual fee of \$30,000.
11. **2023-06-08-16** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves reimbursing the School Business Administrator \$9,744 for renting a bus to Washington D.C. from Coach USA for the 8th Grade Trip. The original bus company, Coachways, backed out of the rental agreement the day before the trip.
12. **2023-06-08-17** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to enter into an agreement for SY24 with Sensory Kids & Social Minds to provide Occupational and Speech Therapy at \$100 per hour.
13. **2023-06-08-18** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the expenditure of \$4,648 for 3 switches and 13 Access Points for High School. The final cost is net of E-rate Discount of 85%.
14. **2023-06-08 -19** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the expenditure of \$13,681.20 for 130 Units of Adobe Workshop for the HS.
15. **2023-06-08-20** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the expenditure of \$7,072.50 for 10 Anywhere Carts for the HS to charge Laptops.
16. **2023-06-08-21** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves of the expenditure of \$2,350 for the purchase of a license for telephone system at the HS.
17. **2023-06-08-22** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees accepts from the Office of Grants Management the following allocations from the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA):

Title IA \$759,682

Title IIA	\$ 58,008
Title III	\$ 15,884
Title IVA	\$ 41,381
Total	\$874,995

18. **2023-06-08-023** Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to spend up to \$20,000 on advertising to increase Empowerment Academy's enrollment. Total cost of advertisement will be split %0% between Empowerment Academy and Beloved Community Charter School.