

**Empowerment Academy Charter School
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Thursday, November 9, 2017 7:30 pm
Conference Room, 1st Floor
240 Ege Ave, Jersey City, NJ 07302**

**Conference Dial-in Number: (641) 715-0861
Participant Access Code: 739211#**

Minutes

I. Roll Call

Board Member	Present	Absent	Late
Monica Zaslower	X		
Jermaine Pharmes	X		
Tom Gallagher		X	
Lonnie Sobel	X		
Thomas Ogorzalek	X		

II. Approval of October 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower			X	
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

III. HIB Report and Self-Assessment

No HIB reports to review.

IV. **2017-11-09-17-01** Resolved, the EACS Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to execute the attached lease for facility space from BelovED Community Charter School, subject to attorney review and revision.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
Second: Monica Zaslower

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent

Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

- V. **2017-11-09-17-02** Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to execute an extension of Empowerment Academy’s Administrative Shared Services Agreement with BelovED Community Charter School subject to its incorporation of the stipulated terms that have been negotiated and attorney review.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
Second: Monica Zaslower

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

- VI. **2017-11-09-17-03** Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to execute an extension of Empowerment Academy’s Transportation Shared Services Agreement with BelovED Community Charter School subject to its incorporation of the stipulated terms that have been negotiated and attorney review

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
Second: Monica Zaslower

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

- VII. **2017-11-09-17-04** Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to negotiate a Student Support Shared Services Agreement with BelovED Community Charter School under which BelovED personnel would provide student support services to Empowerment Academy students who are located at its 508 Grand Street facility during the term of Empowerment Academy’s lease of facility space there

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
Second: Monica Zaslower

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

VIII. **2017-11-09-17-05** Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to negotiate an agreement with BelovED Community Charter School wherein BelovED would provide Aftercare to Empowerment Academy students located at its 508 Grand Street facility during the term of Empowerment Academy's lease of facility space there

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Monica Zaslower

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

IX. Business

2017-11-09-17-06 Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees approves the Payment of Claims from October 13, 2017 through November 9, 2017 for \$204,259.82.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

2017-11-09-17-07 Resolved, The EA Board of Trustees authorizes the School Business Administrator to fund the Payrolls of November 15, 2017 and November 30, 2017 in the amount of \$160,000. Payroll amounts include employer taxes.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			

Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

2017-11-09-17-08 Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees approves the following Cafeteria Policies for Food Services:

- a: Cafeteria Charge Policy
- b: Lunch Offer vs Serve Policy
- c: Breakfast Offer vs. Serve Policy

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

2017-11-09-17-09 Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees approves of the Board Secretary Report for September 2017.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

2017-11-09-17-10 Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees approves of a change in Auditor for the 2016 -2017 School Year to Gerald B. Longo, CPA. There is no effect in the scope or performance of the audit; only as to who is responsible and no additional cost.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			

Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

2017-11-09-17-11 Resolved, the EA Board of Trustees approves the expenditure of \$1,000 towards EACS Staff Holiday Party.

Motion: Lonnie Sobel
 Second: Tom Ogorzalek

Board Member	Yea	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Monica Zaslower	X			
Tom Gallagher				X
Jermaine Pharmes	X			
Thomas Ogorzalek	X			
Lonnie Sobel	X			

Adjournment 8:15

Submitted By:

Richard Raschdorf
 School Business Administrator/Board Secretary