

Barack Obama Green Charter High School
Board of Trustees – General Meeting

Wednesday, September 18, 2019
7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

Call to order by Board Secretary and Roll Call: Joan Orimaco Time: 7:08PM

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
Present	X	X	X	X
Absent				
Late				

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

“This meeting is held in accordance with NJ Public Law 1975 c. 231, the Open Public Meetings Law, by publishing a legal notice in the NJ Advance Media-Legal Ads.”

Public Agency Compliance Statement:

“If any contracts were awarded this meeting or prior to the next meeting of The Barack Obama Green Charter High School, the awarded company/firm will be required to comply with the requirements of Public Law 1975, c.127”

Public Comment Statement:

“The Board welcomes public comment on educational and school issues. All comments should be directed to the Board President. The Board will not entertain personal complaints from school personnel unless the chain of command has been followed, without satisfaction. Matters should only be brought to the Board of Trustees, once all avenues within the administrative chain of command of the school have been exhausted. Furthermore, the Board cannot respond to any complaints from the public directed at any district employee or student, as the Board must protect each employee and each student’s right to privacy.

Those wishing to share comments during this portion of the meeting are asked to state their name and address. Each speaker will be given five minutes, with a total of thirty minutes set asked for public participation in this portion of the meeting”.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st	X			
2nd			X	
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the meeting minutes from the 8/20/19 general meeting.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st		X		
2nd			X	
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

FINANCE

The following financial reports pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23, 1(a)3 that no line item account abs encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation 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:23-211(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 Treasurer's Report.

Motion for approval and ratification of expenditures for the month of September 2019 and 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.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st			X	
2nd	X			
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to approve the payroll for August 30th and September 15th.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st		X		
2nd				X
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to approve the Board Secretary's Report for the month of August 2019.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st			X	
2nd	X			
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report for August 2019.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st				X
2nd		X		
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

PRESENTATION BY HEAD OF SCHOOL/PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Report	September	August
Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Report	0	0
Suspension Report	0	0
Emergency Preparedness Drills	0	0
Student Enrollment	228	240

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve agreement between the Union County Performing Arts Center and BOGCHS to have the Class of 2020 Graduation Ceremony held on 6/25/2020 from 9:00am-2:00pm for the total amount of \$4,444.50.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1 st				X
2 nd		X		
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to approve the District Professional Development Plan Statement of Assurance that was electronically submitted via the Professional Licensure and Registration Management System portal of the NJDOE HOMEROOM.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1 st			X	
2 nd	X			
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to approve the Third Lease Renewal Agreement as presented.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st		X		
2nd				X
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to approve the NJDOE Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act as presented.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st	X			
2nd				X
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

School Trips

Advisor	Grade	Location	Date/Time	Cost
Taylor Hagy	9-12 (62 Students)	Hamilton: An American Musical New York, NY	12/11/19 7:45AM-6:30PM	\$2,190
Taylor Hagy	9-12 (65 Students)	NYC Center/Studios New York, NY	5/11/20 5pm-12:30am	\$2,537
Steffany Reyes	9-12 (35 Students)	Union County Teen Arts Festival UCC Cranford, NJ	3/12/20 9am-2pm	Free

Motion to approve the school trips as presented.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st				X
2nd			X	
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

School Events

Advisor	Location	Date/Time	Cost
Irene Mendoza	College Fair BOGCHS Cafe	10/17/19 5pm-8pm	Free

Motion to approve the school event as presented.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st		X		
2nd	X			
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Staff Professional Development / School Business Day

Employee	Workshop/ Conference	Date	Cost	Rationale
Yasmin Griffin Besly Fevrin	IXL Live	10/24/19	\$150	The attendees will learn how to effectively integrate technology into comprehensive learning techniques that will benefit the BOGCHS curriculum.
Alexandra Hourahan	Empowering Students: Embracing Diversity in the Classroom and Understanding	10/18/19	Free	This two part workorkshop focuses on the 2020 NJ mandate introducing the history of people with disabilities and the history of the LGBTQ+ community into

	Contemporary Antisemitism			the curriculum as well as a presentation from Echoes and Reflections, focusing on contemporary antisemitism. The final breakout session will be a meeting for the Diversity Council for Global Education and Citizenship.
Taylor Hagy	Damned & Determined: Immigration & Refugees during the Holocaust.	10/24/19	Free	This workshop will strengthen the History Through Musical Theatre class which is a new elective course offered for BOGCHS students.
Steffany Reyes	Art Educators of NJ Conference	10/5-6/19	\$290	The conference will encompass workshops and activities that will help strengthen community engagement and curriculum development.
Joan Orimaco	NJEIF Training	11/1/19 2/7/20 5/1/20	Free	NJEIF Sub Meetings are provided meeting throughout the academic school year.
Taliah Edwards	Nutritional Association Annual Conference	11/7-8/19	Not to exceed \$350	This professional development is required by federal regulations and information shared by the NJ Department of Agriculture on Summer Feeding Programs, Admin Reviews, etc.
Jessica Kronberg Melissa Pisani Vani Nimmala	STEM Leadership Forum	10/3/19	Free	The NJIT Center of Pre-College Programs will provide attendees with an opportunity to learn from Professor David Fisher, the Director of the first undergraduate Forensic Science program in New Jersey, who will discuss program planning in Forensic Science, and lead the groups in a short forensic experiment.

Motion to approve the Professional Development/School Business Day Trainings as presented in the PD/SBD Chart.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st			X	
2nd		X		
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to add Laura Siegel to the School Safety/Climate Team for the 2019-2020 SY.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st		X		
2nd	X			
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS PERSONNEL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TIME IN: 7:22PM

- All Staff

Motion to hire Gary Montilus as a Special Education Teacher with a salary of \$58,000.00 for the 2019-2020 SY.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st		X		
2nd				X
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to hire Loudia Martinez as a Math Teacher with a salary of \$60,000.00 for the 2019-2020 SY.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st				X
2nd		X		
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to hire Laura Siegel as a Long-term Substitute Nurse with a salary of \$45,000 for the 2019-2020 SY.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st			X	
2nd	X			
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Motion to hire Lucie Maragni as an Art Teacher (Part-time) with a salary of 30,000 for the 2019-2020 SY.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1st	X			
2nd		X		
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

BOARD POLICIES

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

TIME OUT: 7:30PM

REMARKS FROM THE PUBLIC

Community Forum

The opportunity for public comment on Agenda items only will be provided at every meeting where action items are scheduled for Board of Trustee consideration. A speaker will indicate the specific agenda item, by resolution number, that will be addressed and will have a total time limit of 5 minutes, remaining specific to the indicated resolution.

Failure to remain on the specific agenda item, as determined by the presiding officer, will result in the speaker forfeiting the balance of time and the right to continue to address the Board of Education.

A community forum will be a maximum of thirty (30) minutes in length unless there are unusual circumstances.

Public Comment:

Start Time:

End Time:

ADJOURNMENT

Time: 7:30PM

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

	Gregory Hambric President	Tiffany Thompson Community Representative	Thais Jimenez Community Representative	Nicholl Rogers Community Representative
1 st	X			
2 nd			X	
Aye	X	X	X	X
Nay				
Abstain				

Certified by:


Joan Orimaco

Board Secretary