

***Barack Obama Green Charter Schools
Board of Trustees – General Meeting***

September 20, 2023
7:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

Call to order by Board Secretary and Roll Call:

Time: 7:06 PM

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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| Present | X | | X | X | | X | X |
| Absent | | X | | | X | | |

Present Administrators

Joan Orimaco
Jennifer Lippe

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 Schools, 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 asking for public participation in this portion of the meeting”.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the meeting minutes from the 08/16/23 general meeting.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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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 2023 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.

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Motion to approve the payroll for August 30, 2023 and September 15, 2023

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the Board Secretary's report for July & August 2023.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the Treasurer's report for July & August 2023.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve transfer as identified on the attached report for Fund 10 transfers only.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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PRESENTATION BY HEAD OF SCHOOL/PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

| Report | September | August |
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| Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Report | 0 | 0 |
| Suspension Report | 0 | 0 |
| Emergency Preparedness Drills | 2 | 2 |
| Student Enrollment | 311 | 302 |

Presentation by Middle School Principal
Recorded presentation by Head of School

NEW BUSINESS

Motion to approve the contract between Motivated Security Services, Inc and BOGCS for the SY 2023-2024 as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the Kyocera/Taskalfa proposed upgrade and lease for additional copier machine for 31 Watchung as presented.

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Motion to approve superintendent Erin Richardson's membership registration to the NJ superintendents' study council for the SY 23-24.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the PDP (Professional Development Plan) for Erin Murphy-Richardson for SY 23-24 as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve Jennifer Lippe as Anti Bullying Coordinator for SY 23-24.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve Solomon Charley as Anti Bullying Specialist for SY 23-24.

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Service & Vendor providers for the SY 2023-2024

| <i>Provider</i> | <i>Cost/Fees</i> | <i>Type of Service</i> | <i>Budgeted/ Unbudgeted</i> |
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| <i>Vector Solutions</i> | <i>\$1,656</i> | <i>Platform that aids HIB coordinator and specialist with providing access to training to staff and/or students in order to improve safety and ensure state and federal training mandate compliance</i> | <i>Budgeted</i> |
| <i>Dr. Kia Grundy</i> | <i>\$ 5,500</i> | <i>School Physician SY 23-24</i> | <i>Budgeted</i> |

Motion to approve the Service & Vendor Providers for SY 23-24 as presented in the chart.

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Instructional/ Curriculum

Motion to approve the revised contract between BOGCS and NJCTL learning platform for Computer Science instruction as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the contract between BOGCS and NJCTL learning platform for Middle School Science instruction as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the contract between BOGCS and Kean University for Holocaust & Genocide Studies Program for SY 23-25 as presented

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve Substitute Teacher's job description with a new rate as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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School Field Trip(s)/Events

| Date | Location | Grade | Comments |
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| 09/27/23 | Back to School night | All | Welcome to all families 5-8pm |
| 09/28/2023 | Duke Farms @ Hillsborough twp | 6, 7 | Physical Ed dept Trip Leader: Rasoul Wilson |
| 10/04/2023 | NJ School of Conservation @ Stokes State Forest Sandyston, NJ 7:30am-4:30pm | 12 + Peer Leaders | Environmental Education, Team Building, Problem/Challenge Solving: Trip Leaders: D. Hayase, S. Gora, J. Correa |
| 10/05/23 | Liberty Science Center @ Jersey City, NJ | 9 | Science Department Trip leader: N. Souza 9am-3pm |
| 10/20/23 | College & Career Fair @ school grounds | All grades | During school day |
| 10/27/23 | Fright Fest Six Flags @ Jackson, NJ | High School | Trip leader: S. Gora 4pm-12am |
| 10/27/23 | Halloween party @ school grounds | Middle School | Middle school students social event 5-7pm |

Motion to approve the field trip/event (s) listed above.

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Professional Development/Business Meeting/Tuition Reimbursement

| Date | Staff | Workshop/Meeting/Class | Comments |
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| Nov 2023, | Laura Siegel | Best strategies for school medical emergencies Online PD | Examine emergencies through school nurse rounds, avoid symptoms of school nurse burnout and receive extensive medical digital resources |
| 12/12/23 | Joan Orimaco Marya Martinez Chaniece Higgs Yaneth Toro | 2023 USDA Foods Conference | Annual Conference |
| 09/28/2023 | Joan Orimaco Erin Richardson | NJPCSA and NJDOE Meeting 10am-2pm | In-person. Charter renewal discussion w/NJDOE Location: Hilton Garden Inn, Hamilton, NJ |
| 10/19/23 11/16/23 | Erin Richardson | NJSSC Seminar series @ Morris-Union Jointure Commision in New Providence, NJ | 10/19 Artificial Intelligence 11/16 Planning for Global warming and environmental concerns |
| 10/11/23 | Joan Orimaco | NJSBA Union County Meeting: 6pm-8:30pm | Topic: School Law, HIB & Ethics Garwood, NJ |

Motion to approve the professional developments/ meetings/ tuition reimbursement listed above.

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PERSONNEL

Motion to approve the hiring of Sadeerah Hinds-Pilgrim as a Substitute Teacher with the rate as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the revision of J. Correa's employment agreement to Part Time Science Teacher for SY 23-24 with the rate as presented.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the stipend for M. Martinez with the rate as presented.

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Motion to approve the rate adjustment for A. Fornah & I. Bristol effective first day of school (9/7/23).

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the Y. Toro's unpaid leave of absence from 8/28-9/25.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Motion to approve the retirement of K. Ridge as English Teacher. Last day will be Nov 17, 2023 .

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

TIME IN:

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

TIME OUT:

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: 7:41 PM

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

| | Gregory Hambric President | Nicholl Rogers Community Representative | John Miller Community Representative | Tania Khalfani Community Representative | Jamal Walden Community Representative | Darlene Williams Community Representative | Monique Foye Community Representative |
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Certified by:


Joan Orimaco

Board Secretary