

Paul R. Brown Leadership Academy
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
April 10, 2025

Paul R. Brown Leadership Academy Board of Directors meeting was held on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at the Paul R. Brown Building located at 1360 Martin L. King Jr. Drive in Elizabethtown, NC.

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by President Minnie Price at 6:01pm.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS – The colors were posted by PRBLA Color Guard.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The pledge was recited by all board members and others present.

WELCOME – President Minnie Price greeted board members and visitors.

BOARD VALUES – The values were repeated by board members.

PRBLA MISSION STATEMENT – The statement was read together by board members.

ROLL CALL/QUORUM – The roll was called by Secretary Joyce A. McLaughlin. The members present were as follows: Mrs. Minnie Price, Dr. Aaron Cox, Mr. Roland T. McKoy, III, Mr. Quenten Stewart, Mrs. Beverly Randolph, Mr. Scott Johnson, Mr. Walter Drummond and Joyce A. McLaughlin. We do have a quorum. Others in attendance: Dr. Jason Wray, Dr. Jacqueline Wray, Col. Carl T. Lloyd, Mrs. Lovella Cromartie and Mrs. Theresa Lloyd.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – A motion was made by Beverly Randolph and seconded by Walter Drummond to adopt the agenda. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Walter Drummond and seconded by Roland T. McKoy, III to approve minutes with corrections if any for March 13, 2025. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT- Dr. Jason Wray shared and discussed the Superintendent's report with board members. Enrollment at PRBLA stands at 237 that's 33 higher than the beginning of the school year. Applications are monitored on a weekly basis to ensure we capture all interested families. The enrollment goal for this year is 250. The cadets have participated in several events across the county. They are as follows: the posting of colors at Elizabethtown Council meeting and the conducting of the schools Founders Day Parade.

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT – The PRBLA ordered new desks and chairs in the amount of \$48,000.

The County Commissioners will reimburse the school as they allocated \$50,000 in this year's budget to purchase new desks and chairs. Two refurbished floor buffers and scrubbers were also purchased.

EPIC CENTER TASKS – No pending tasks at this time.

STAFF – No new staff.

Dr. Jason Wray said the Pod Cast had been completed and the link will be shared with the board members. He also said the Legislative Updates will be shared with the board in the future.

VEHICLE UPDATE – Dr. Jason Wray shared the vehicle report with the board members.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Dr. Jacqueline Wray shared and discussed the March 2025 financial report with the board members. A motion was made Walter Drummond and seconded by Beverly Randolph to approve the financial report for March 2025. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION REPORT – Dr. Jason Wray made report. Upon return, from Spring Break 2025 PRBLA will go into Shut Down Schedule on April 14, 2025. Copies of the Shut Down Schedule were made available. There is one more round of NC Check Ins for EOG course and that will be conducted during Shut Down.

EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S REPORT – Dr. Jacqueline Wray shared EC report with the board members. The PRBLA currently has 46 EC students, 15 middle school students and 31 high school students. The 2024- 2025 students who enroll will continue to be monitored throughout the school year to determine if those students have been identified and require special education services.

No reporting or Certifications have been submitted to NCDPI since our last board meeting.

No upcoming reports and or certifications at this time.

NUTRITION REPORT – Mrs. Lovella Cromartie made report.

In March 2025, meals were served for 19 days which was 3 days short of the 22day full month of serving. A total of 3514 student meals were served in March as compared to serving 2998 meals served in February. This include breakfast and lunch. In February, the average meals served were 187 per day and in March the averaged served per day were 185 meals. Staff meals are no longer being tracked because staff is only being served based on A La Carte prices (individual item prices).

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMMENTS – NONE

CLOSED SESSIONS – NO CLOSED SESSION

OLD BUSINESS – Old business items were discussed in Superintendent's report.

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting with DPI - There will be a meeting with DPI on April 15, 2025 at 9:00am on the campus of PRBLA.

Board Training Update – The last mandatory training will be May 22, 2025 at 6:00pm via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion was made by Walter Drummond and seconded by Roland T. McKoy, III to adjourn. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:44pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 6:00pm.

Recorded by,

Joyce A. McLaughlin, Secretary