

Paul R. Brown Leadership Academy  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
November 13, 2025 8:00 AM

The Paul R. Brown Leadership Academy Board of Directors meeting was held on Thursday, November 13, 2025, at the Paul R. Brown Building located at 1360 Martin L. King, Jr. Drive in Elizabethtown, NC.

CALL TO ORDER meeting was called to order by Madame Chairperson Minnie Price at 8:01 AM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by board members and others in attendance.

WELCOME Madame Chairperson Minnie Price welcomed and greeted board members and visitors.

BOARD VALUES were repeated by board members.

PRBLA MISSION STATEMENT was read together by board members.

ROLL CALL/QUORUM roll was called by Secretary, Mrs. Beverly Randolph. The members present were: Madame Chair. Minnie Price, Mr. Walter Drummond, Mr. Quenten Stewart, Dr. Michael Wells, Vice Chair Dr. Aaron Cox, Mr. Scott Johnson and Mrs. Beverly Randolph. We had a quorum. Others present were: Dr. Jason Wray, Dr. Jacqueline Wray, and LTC Carl T. Lloyd.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA A motion was made by Mr. Quenten Stewart and seconded by Dr. Aaron Cox to adopt the agenda. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES A motion was made by Dr. Aaron Cox and seconded by Mr. Scott Johnson to approve the minutes for October 10, 2025. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT -Dr. Jason Wray shared and discussed his report with the board members. The PRBLA Cadet enrollment stands at 261. Due to the increase in enrollment, we have started to make plans to enter the 2-story building in January 2026. The staff had their third presentation on the book study, Collective Efficacy. It was a great presentation followed by an even better discussion. They will do the remaining two presentations after the Christmas Break.

The Cadets have participated in multiple community service activities this week. They participated in the Cumberland County Veterans Day Parade, and the Citadel Drill Meet, where they placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

#### EPIC CENTER TASKS -We have 3 pending EPIC CENTER TASKS

1. Grievance Policy due 30 April 2026
2. Board Member Residency 30 April 2026
3. EL LIEP Service 30 May 2026

#### STAFF – No new Staff members

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS – Met with Mr. Roland McKoy about a concrete floor for the new maintenance building.

The new bleachers will be installed in January, and the gym remodeling will be complete. We continue to work our way around campus, repairing and fixing doors and keeping the campus clean

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION REPORT- Dr. Jason Wray updated us that first quarter report cards went out on 31 October 2025. They had some issues with the new system, Infinite Campus, but they figured it out and think that this system is more user-friendly than PowerSchool. We started the NC Checkins at the end of October.

We made adjustments to the class matrix. We are now testing English 2 the same way we test NC Math 1. Students will take EOC in December before break. Return from break and retest. Middle School students will start testing 10 days from the end of the year, and they will retest after school is out.

The Graduation Cohort Roster was posted this month.

#### VEHICLE FLEET UPDATE- LTC Lloyd reported by Dr. Wray

As of October 2025, we have 20 vehicles. We need at least 12 vehicles and 12 drivers to successfully run our bus routes. All buses are required to be on campus no later than 8:00 AM. We are looking to purchase 2 more buses. It's time to start looking at getting the older buses off the main fleet and use them for backup buses. A replacement bus costs between \$8-10K, but the expense to repair the older buses runs between \$3-6k once or twice a month.

FINANCIAL REPORT Dr. Jacqueline Wray shared the October 2025 financial report with the board members. Copies of the report were given to board members and discussed. A motion was made by Mr. Walter Drummond and seconded by Dr. Aaron Cox to approve the financial report for October 2025. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

EC COORDINATOR REPORT- Dr. Jacqueline Wray shared Mrs. Jeanal McDowell's report with the board members.

There are 60 EC students total, 16 middle school students and 44 high school students. Mrs. McDowell said the records of students enrolled for the 2025-2026 school year will continue to

be monitored to determine if those students have been identified and require Special Education Services.

NUTRITIONAL REPORT – Dr. Jacqueline Wray shared Mrs. Lovella Cromartie’s report with the board members. In October 2025, she served meals for 21 days, which is 1 day short of the normal 22-day work month. She served 5125 student meals in the month of October. We have completed all necessary requirements to unpause our National School Lunch Program participation.

OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT- None

CLOSED SESSION – Not needed

OLD BUSINESS- Discussed in Superintendent’s report

NEW BUSINESS- Review of Board Self-Evaluation

A motion was made by Mr. Walter Drummond and seconded by Mr. Scott Johnson to table the review until the December meeting due to Board Members meeting in Raleigh at 11:15AM. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by Mr. Walter Drummond and seconded by Mr. Scott Johnson to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 AM. The board members boarded the buses to attend and support Dr. Wray at the NC Charter Schools Review Board Meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Recorded by  
Beverly Randolph, Secretary