



## Putnam Avenue Upper School

### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING - Dec. 18, 2024

Meeting Details	
Date of Meeting:	12/18/2024
Time:	5:30 - 7:00 PM
Zoom Link:	<a href="https://cpsd-us.zoom.us/j/99471127486?pwd=8tFCRnBQaKfelqQhsYQ7Sq5RQ1BTIR.1">https://cpsd-us.zoom.us/j/99471127486?pwd=8tFCRnBQaKfelqQhsYQ7Sq5RQ1BTIR.1</a> Meeting ID: 994 7112 7486 Passcode: 178772
Committee Members:	4 - Jodi Ekelchik, Sweta Joshi, Rozelle McBarnette, Betsy Vizcaino  Absent/Apologies: Jennifer Elisa Betancourt  4 - Dr. Phanenca Babio-James, Kunjal Shah (ex-officio), Hsiu Fei Hsu, Xavier Pierre-Jerome  Absent/Apologies:: Olf Mouyaka
Other Participants:	8

Agenda Details
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Welcome</b></li><li>• <b>Accept Draft Meeting Minutes</b></li><li>• <b>Reflection</b></li><li>• <b>Agenda</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Welcome &amp; Reflection</li><li>Approval of Meeting Minutes</li><li>PAUS Student Govt. Representatives Presentation</li><li>Updates &amp; Reminders,</li></ul></li></ul>

Family Engagement Workshop  
Closing & Next Steps

- **Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 from 5:30 - 7:00 PM via Zoom:

<https://cpsd-us.zoom.us/j/99471127486?pwd=8tFCRnBQaKfelgQhsYQ7Sq5RQ1BTIR.1>

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**MEETING NOTES:**

- [Dec 18, 2024 Presentation Slideshow](#)
- Dr. Babio-James welcomed all attendees to the School Council meeting;
- The Minutes from the November 2024 and June 2024 meeting were submitted for approval, and there were no objections
- Representatives of the PAUS Student Government attended the meeting, and provided an update on their activities, reference the presentation slides. Welcome! A Q&A followed, with some questions, including: follow through on the responsibility of student government, mentorship for students interested in student government and access to more equipment during recess. Contact with questions can be sent to teachers: Ms Tiernan and Ms Danielle Rivers.
- An update was provided on PAUS highlights, as summarized in the slideshow presentation. It was noted that the Girls volleyball advanced to the finals at CRLS on **January 9!** As well, Kunjal Shah was nominated and received the Mayor's 2024 Luminary Award from Mayor Denise Simmons. It was noted that parents/caregivers should not give gifts that are greater than \$50, and the disclosure law was shared. Reference the slideshow presentation with key dates to remember, including **PAUS Winter Concert** (Jan 14) and the **PAUS Musical** (Spongebob!) on 1/30 and 1/31.
- A brainstorming and discussion session was held as a followup to our Family/Caregiver Engagement discussion. Reference the slideshow presentation that provided an overview of the Karen Mapp Framework, family engagement ideas and a summary of current PAUS engagement strategies. Attendees broke out into breakout sessions, reference the slideshow presentations for the three topics.

The meeting ended at 7:09pm.

**Action Plan (if needed):**

Action	Assigned To	Due Date
NEXT School Council meeting	PAUS	January 22, 2025

Other School Council Meeting Dates		2/26, 3/26, 4/20, 5/28, 6/18
Monitor SIP Spending / Review	School Council	March Meeting 3/26

**GENERAL REFERENCE MATERIALS:**

- Putnam Ave. Website about the School Council: [link here](#) (meeting agenda and notes posted here)