

PHILADELPHIA PERFORMING ARTS: A STRING THEORY
CHARTER SCHOOL

1600 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102

January 18, 2021

6:00 PM

LOCATION:

Zoom Conference

MINUTES

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT

A. Roll Call

<u>Board Members:</u>	<u>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</u>
Javier Kuehnle – Chairman (“JK”) William Bradley Leach – Vice Chairman (“WL”) Kristin Kubach – Secretary (“KK”) Ronald Pigliacelli- Treasurer (“RP”) Evelt Vertil (“EV”)	Angela Puleio Angela Ciccante Rachel Ravior Angela Corosanite Dr. Jason Corosanite Michael Thomson Michael Danyo
<u>Board Members Absent:</u>	
Krista Alexander (“KA”)	Daniel H. Saidel, Esq. David Annecharico, Esq. Abigail Lipow, Esq. January Teti Julia Viola Keri Gleason Melissa Quarracino Adrienne Capone Thayne Dibble Michelle Faulkner Joseph McBride Andrea Genzano, Parent Dina Silvanio, Parent Kristin Salamone, Parent

Dominic DiBruno Verdi, Parent
Valeria Giola, Parent

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY DANIEL H. SAIDEL

2. I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on January 18, 2021, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 P.S. § 708:

(X) Consultation with Professional Advisor or Attorney. To consult with its attorney or other professional advisor regarding information or strategy in connection with litigation or with issues on which identifiable complaints are expected to be filed.

(X) Discuss Confidential Matters. To review and discuss agency business which, if conducted in public, would violate a lawful privilege or lead to the disclosure of information or confidentiality protected by law, including matters related to the initiation and conduct of investigations of possible or certain violations of the law and quasi-judicial deliberations.

Additional Notes for Minutes of Meeting:

C. Approval of Agenda

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210118.01 Approval: January 18, 2021 Agenda

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of the **January 18, 2021** Agenda of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>General Discussion</i>

D. Approval of Minutes

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210118.02 Approval: December 15, 2020 Minutes

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RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School Board of Trustees Board minutes for **December 15, 2020**.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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SECTION II: REPORTS

A. COMMUNITY COMMENT

Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)

Good Evening, my name is David Annecharico. I serve as General Counsel to the Charter School Board of Trustees. Will you please state your name for our records?

You will have three minutes to address the Board of Trustees. Any documents or communications that you might supplement your comment with should be submitted to me. I will keep the time and notify the board when three minutes have elapsed.

This Board may choose not to comment, question or respond in any way to your public comment. I will begin the time now.

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Dina Silvanio</i>	<i>Ms. Silvanio asked whether students will be moving to a hybrid model on February 1.</i>
<i>Andrea Genzano</i>	<i>Ms. Genzano asked whether students will be returning on February 1, and if so, will they need to be in full uniform?</i>
<i>Dominic Verdi</i>	<i>Mr. Verdi expressed his desire for the Board and administration to push a little harder to bring students back into school. He noted that he sees effects of virtual school on their children, and that the virtual learning does not seem to be working educationally or mentally, as there is too much time spent online both in school and doing homework.</i>

B. Report of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School

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210118.03 Report of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School accepts Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School report and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the written reports of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School

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presented to the board.

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<i>Angela Puleio</i>	<i>Performing Arts' report has been previously disseminated to the Board..</i>

C. Report of String Theory Schools

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210118.04 Report of String Theory Schools

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School accepts the String Theory Schools report and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the written reports of String Theory Schools presented to the board.

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<i>Angela Corosanite</i>	<i>String Theory Schools' report has been previously disseminated to the board.</i>

D. Report of General Counsel

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210118.05 Report of General Counsel

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School accepts the General Counsel's report and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the written reports of Sand & Saidel P.C. as presented to the board.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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E. Report of Business Controller

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210118.06 Report of Business Controller

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School reviews and accepts the Financial Report of M. Thomson and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the financial statements and the documents presented by M. Thomson to the board.

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<i>Michael Danyo</i>	<i>Santilli & Thomson's report has been previously disseminated to the board. PPACS continues to be in good financial health at this time.</i>

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

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210118.07 Professional Services Contracts

RESOLVED, the Professional Services Contracts, proposals and associated reports listed below are hereby accepted and ratified;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the CEO, in consultation with the general counsel and business controller are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate the terms and conditions of any agreement between Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School and the Contractors listed below for the enumerated professional services; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to execute any document necessary to effect this resolution.

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
Mark Cement Contractors	\$2,500	Repair of Alley at PPA East
Kencor, Inc.	\$505/bimonthly	Elevator Maintenance agreement for PPA East and West
Laredo Mechanical	\$20,640	Maintenance Agreement for PPA West
Sonitrol Security of Delaware Valley	\$5,864 + \$45/month	Extension of alarm system into 2632 S. Broad Street
Silver Springs - Martin Luther School d/b/a Gemma Services	Various Rates	Addendum to 2019-2020 agreement for provision of related services for special education

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210118.08 Purchases Contracts

RESOLVED, the Purchases Contracts and associated reports listed below are hereby accepted and ratified;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the CEO, in consultation with the general counsel and business controller are hereby authorized and directed

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to negotiate the terms and conditions of any agreement between Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School and the Contractors listed below for the enumerated purchases; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to execute any document necessary to effect this resolution.

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
Leader Services	\$14,331.00	Special Education Software
Atlantic Refrigeration Company Inc.	\$20,198.00	New Refrigerator
LinkIt	\$22,277.00	Software
Newsela	\$24,500.00	Software
Laredo Mechanical LLC	\$29,753.00	Rooftop Unit Repair
Laredo Mechanical LLC	\$38,719.00	HVAC Repair
PPSco Direct Inc.	\$14,431.00	Drinking Fountains
MTG	\$197,576.40	Security System

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210118.09 Human Resources

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School accepts the human resources changes, modifications and additions as presented below:

HIRES		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE
Deborah Silveti	Climate Officer	12/7/2020

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Dyana Cannon	Teacher	12/11/2020

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210118.10 Confidential Settlement Agreement in re: R.S.

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School hereby approves of the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Trust in re: R.S., as presented.

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R210118.11 Independent Financial Audit Year Ended June 30, 2020

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of the Independent Financial Audit for the year ended June 30, 2020.

By Roll Call:

Javier Kuehnle – *aye*
 William Bradley Leach – *aye*
 Kristin Kubach – *aye*
 Ronald Pigliacelli – *aye*
 Evelt Vertil – *aye*
 Krista Alexander – *absent*

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B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: FEBRUARY 15, 2021

ADJOURNMENT AT 6:40 PM

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