

**PHILADELPHIA PERFORMING ARTS: A STRING THEORY**  
**CHARTER SCHOOL**

1600 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102  
April 17, 2023  
6:00 PM

**LOCATION:**  
1600 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102

**MINUTES**

**SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT 6:37 PM**

**A. Roll Call**

| <b>Board Members:</b>  | <b>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</b>   |
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| Javier Kuehnle – Chairman (“JK”)<br>William Bradley Leach – Vice Chairman (“WL”)<br>Kristin Kubach – Secretary (“KK”)<br>Ronald Pigliacelli- Treasurer (“RP”)<br>Evelt Vertil (“EV”) | Angela Puleio<br>Dr. Noelle Luccioni<br>Emily Walkiewicz<br><br>Angela Corosante<br>Dr. Jason Corosante<br><br>Michael Thomson<br>Michael Danyo<br><br>Daniel H. Saidel, Esq.<br>David Annecharico, Esq.<br>Abigail Lipow, Esq.<br><br>January Teti<br>Julia Viola<br>Keri Gleason<br>Melissa Quarracino<br><br>Allison Hussey, STS Director of Psychological Services<br>Thayne Dibble, STS Director of Compliance<br>Matthew Wasco, STS Director of Facilities |
| Board Members Absent:<br>Kristin Kubach – Secretary (“KK”)<br>Krista Alexander (“KA”)  |  |

**B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY DANIEL H. SAIDEL**

2. I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on April 17, 2023, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 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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#### **R230417.01 Approval: April 17, 2023 Agenda**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of the **April 17, 2023** Agenda of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School.

**Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:**

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

### D. Approval of Minutes

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#### **R230417.02 Approval: March 20, 2023 Minutes**

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 **March 20, 2023**.

**Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:**

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

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**R230417.03 Approval: April 3, 2023 Minutes**

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 **April 3, 2023**.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

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

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**R230417.04 Approval: April 10 2023 Minutes**

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 **April 10, 2023**.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

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

**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.

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

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**R230417.05 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 presented to the board.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

| <i>Who</i>           | <i>What</i>   |
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| <i>Angela Puleio</i> | <i>Philadelphia Performing Arts' report was previously disseminated to the Board.</i> |

**C. Report of String Theory Schools**

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**R230417.06 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.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

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| <i>Angela Corosante</i> | <i>String Theory Schools' report was previously disseminated to the Board. Asked Dr. Hussey how many students were tested for a disability and were in the process of being evaluated for special education in the past month.</i> |
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**D. Report of General Counsel**

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**R230417.07 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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**R230417.08 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 Santilli & Thomson and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the financial statements and the documents presented by Santilli & Thomson to the board.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

| <i>Who</i>           | <i>What</i>  |
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| <i>Michael Danyo</i> | <i>Expenses have been increasing with respect to special education as the population is increasingly identified.</i> |

**SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS**

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**R230417.09 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   |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| AIM Academy                       | \$48,490  | Tuition and costs for related services for 2023-2024 APS tuition for Student C.L. |
| Community College of Philadelphia | Advance \$159/credit; Summer ACE \$250/course/student | Dual Enrollment agreement for high school students                                |

**Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:**

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**R230417.10 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 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 purchase 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 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Nicolas Botomisy Consulting LLC | \$16,430.00 | Equipment                     |
| Linkit!                         | \$35,451.00 | Software                      |
| Laredo Mechanical LLC           | \$29,497.00 | Cooler Replacement            |

**Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:**

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**R230417.11 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 |

|                   |                       |         |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Ashley Go         | Sub                   | 3/29/23 |
| Elishua Gutierrez | Café Supervisor       | 3/27/23 |
| Geoffrey Hutton   | Special Ed Supervisor | 3/29/23 |

| TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS |       |                |
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| NAME                        | TITLE | EFFECTIVE DATE |
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*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

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**R230417.12 Board Meeting Calendar**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School hereby approves of the 2023-2024 Board Meeting Calendar, as presented.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

| Who   | What   |
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| Board | The Board determines to move board meetings to every second Monday of the month. |

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**R230417.12 2023-2024 School Calendar**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School hereby approves of the 2023-2024 School Calendar, as presented.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

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**R230417.13 Confidential Settlement Agreement: Student D.C.C.**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School ratifies the Confidential Settlement Agreement, General Release, and associated Trust Agreement In Re: D.C.C. as presented.

*Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:*

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B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: MAY 15, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT AT 6:46 PM**

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