

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

1600 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102  
May 15, 2023  
6:00 PM

**LOCATION:**

1600 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102

**MINUTES**

**SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT 6:25 PM**

**A. Roll Call**

<b>Board Members:</b>	<b>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</b>
Javier Kuehnle – Chairman (“JK”) William Bradley Leach – Vice Chairman (“WL”) Kristin Kubach – Secretary (“KK”) Ronald Pigliacelli- Treasurer (“RP”) Evelt Vertil (“EV”) Krista Alexander (“KA”)	Angela Puleio Dr. Noelle Luccioni Emily Walkiewicz  Angela Corosanite Dr. Jason Corosanite  Michael Danyo
Board Members Absent:	Daniel H. Sidel, Esq. David Annecharico, Esq. Abigail Lipow, Esq.  January Teti Julia Viola Keri Gleason Melissa Quarracino

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

- 1. I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that the Board of Trustees did not meet in Executive Session prior to this meeting.*
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**C. Approval of Agenda**

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**R230515.01 Approval: May 15, 2023 Agenda**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of the **May 15, 2023** Agenda of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School, as amended.

*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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**R230515.02 Approval: April 17, 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 17, 2023**.

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

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
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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>None</i>	<i>None</i>

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

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**R230515.03 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 presented to the board.

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

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Angela Puleio</i>	<i>Philadelphia Performing Arts' report has been</i>

**C. Report of String Theory Schools**

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**R230515.04 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.

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

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<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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**R230515.05 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 & Sidel P.C. as presented to the board.

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

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Daniel H. Sidel, Esq.</i>	<i>The upcoming mayoral election is probably one of the most important in a long time. This election will have a huge influence on the future of charter schools within Philadelphia.</i>

## E. Report of Business Controller

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### R230515.06 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 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>
<i>Michael Danyo</i>	<i>PPA is projected to break close to even for this fiscal year. Building costs and special education costs continue to be most of the expenses.</i>

## SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

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### R230515.07 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.

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Comment: Terms and Conditions</b>
Green Tree School	\$297.54/per diem	ESY Tuition for Student E.J.
Pennsylvania School for the Deaf	\$344.97/per diem	ESY Tuition for Student J.R.-A.

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### R230515.08 Purchases Contracts

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

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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
Art Turchi	\$22,200	Doors PCCD Safety Grant

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**R230515.09 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
Joshua Morris	Sub	4/24/2023

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Elizabeth DiPentino	Special Education Supervisor	4/21/2023
Alexis Neill	ESOL Teacher	5/5/2023
Andy Sen	Tech Support Specialist	4/28/2023
Lisa Veitz	Social Worker	5/1/2023

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**R230515.10 Policies**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of the following policies and their upload to Municode:

- STAR Program Policy
- Revised Tuition Reimbursement Policy
- Professional Development Funding Policy

- Revised Employee Personnel Records Policy

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**R230515.11 2023-2024 Budget**

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

*By Roll Call:*

Javier Kuehnle – *aye*  
 William Bradley Leach – *aye*  
 Kristin Kubach – *aye*  
 Krista Alexander – *aye*  
 Ronald Pigliacelli – *aye*  
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**R230515.12 Lease Reimbursement**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves the application for reimbursement of a charter school lease for 2022-23, as presented.

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**B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: JUNE 19, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT AT 6:31 PM**

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