

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

1600 Vine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102

May 13, 2024

6:00 PM

**LOCATION:**

Zoom

**MINUTES**

**SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT 6:39 PM**

**A. Roll Call**

| <b><u>Board Members:</u></b>                                                                                                                                                         | <b><u>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</u></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><br>Angela Corosanite<br>Dr. Jason Corosanite<br><br>Michael Danyo                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Board Members Absent:<br>Krista Alexander (“KA”)                                                                                                                                     | Daniel H. Saidel, Esq.<br>David Annecharico, Esq.<br>Abigail Lipow, Esq.<br><br>January Teti<br>Melissa Quarracino<br>Allison Hussey, Director of Psychological Services<br><br>Joseph McBride, STS Director of Security<br>Matthew Wasco, STS Director of Facilities<br>Thayne Dibble, STS Director of Compliance |

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

*2. I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on May 13, 2024, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 708 to discuss Resolutions R240513.11 and R240513.12 below :*

(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:

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### C. Approval of Agenda

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#### R240513.01 Approval: May 13, 2024 Agenda

RP

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School approves of the **May 13, 2024** Agenda of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School.

SECOND

JK

VOTE:

X PASS

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

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### D. Approval of Minutes

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#### R240513.02 Approval: April 8, 2024 Minutes

RP

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 8, 2024**.

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VOTE:

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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.

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| <i>None</i> | <i>None</i> |

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

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### **R240513.03 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>                                                                           |
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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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### **R240513.04 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>                                                                                         |
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| <i>Angela Corosanite</i> | <i>String Theory Schools' report was previously disseminated to the Board.</i>                      |
| <i>Thayne Dibble</i>     | <i>Provided update on PPA's renewal status.</i>                                                     |
| <i>Jason Corosanite</i>  | <i>Gave the Board more detail on purchases listed below that will be made using ESSERS funding.</i> |

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#### D. Report of General Counsel

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##### R240513.05 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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##### R240513.06 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:*

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| <i>Michael Danyo</i> | <i>PPA is in good financial health at the time.</i> |

#### SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

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##### R240513.07 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.

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| Contractor                        | Amount                               | Comment: Terms and Conditions                                 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Green Tree School                 | \$368.87/per diem                    | APS 2023-2024 tuition for student S.L.                        |
| Green Tree School                 | \$312.41/per diem + related services | ESY 2024 for student H.S.                                     |
| Green Tree School                 | \$312.41/per diem + related services | ESY 2024 for student J.J.                                     |
| Elwyn Davidson School             | \$394.44/per diem                    | ESY 2024 tuition for students A.D., R.I., E.J., and J.T.      |
| Valley Forge Educational Services | \$85,000.00/per student              | APS 2024-2025 Tuition for students A.D., B.L., P.P., and S.P. |
| Valley Forge Educational Services | \$36,732.00                          | ESY 2024 Tuition for students A.D., B.L., P.P., and S.P.      |
| Phillip Korshak                   | \$50,000.00                          | 10 three-day Workshops with students                          |
| Aurora Grace                      | \$50,000.00                          | 10 three-day Workshops with students                          |

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

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**R240513.08 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 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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Jade Scientific | \$62,631.00  | Purchase of two (2) ventless class 2 biosafety cabinets, two (2) ductless fume hoods, one (1) 16 L autoclave, one (1) 32 L autoclave, one (1) CO2 multi-gas incubator, and one (1) nano spectrophotometer<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding |
| Apple           | \$814,507.00 | Various equipment for East, West, Vine campuses                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Interface       | \$20,971.86  | Interface carpet tiles                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| B&H Photo       | \$4,198.00   | Purchase of one (1) 45 mega-pixel full-frame CMOS Sensor and one (1) RF24-105mm F4 L IS USM camera lens<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through                                                                                                                            |

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|           |              | ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Formlabs  | \$38,024.00  | Purchase of one (1) large format 3D SLA resin printer, and two (2) medium format 3d SLA resin printers<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                                         |
| Bambu     | \$54,198.60  | Purchase of ten (10) 3D Printers<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                                                                                                               |
| Glowforge | \$28,755.00  | Purchase of three (3) professional laser cutter engraver<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                                                                                       |
| Shopbot   | \$8,975.00   | Purchase of one (1) High powered, high precision desktop CnC with CE Package<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                                                                   |
| Artec     | \$31,320.00  | Purchase of one (1) Industrial 3D scanner<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                                                                                                      |
| Tomric    | \$143,235.00 | Purchase of enrober, 60 KG tempering machine, magnetic mold spinning machine, horizontal form fill and seal, and ball refiner.<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding                                 |
| TechSew   | \$18,584.00  | Purchase of professional post bed sewing machine, professional ZigZag post bed sewing machine, leather skiving sewing machine, sidewall sole stitching machine<br><br>Subject to PDE approval, payable through ESSERS/CARES/ARP Funding |

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

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### R240513.09 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 |
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| TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS |       |                |
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| NAME                        | TITLE | EFFECTIVE DATE |
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### R240513.10 2024-2025 Board Meeting Calendar

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RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts: A String Theory Charter School hereby approves of the 2024-2025 Board Meeting Calendar, as presented.

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

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### R240513.11 Confidential Settlement Agreement in re: J.B.

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

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

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### R240513.12 Confidential Settlement Agreement in re: P.P.

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

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

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**R240513.13 2024-2025 Budget**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Philadelphia Performing Arts:  
A String Theory Charter School hereby approves of the 2024-2025  
Budget, as presented.

*By Roll Call:*

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

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

| <b><i>Who</i></b>    | <b><i>What</i></b>                              |
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| <i>Michael Danyo</i> | <i>Reviewed proposed budget with the Board.</i> |

**B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: JUNE 10, 2024

**ADJOURNMENT AT 6:53 PM**

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