THE PHILADELPHIA CHARTER SCHOOL FOR ARTS & SCIENCES AT H.R. EDMUNDS

1197 Haworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124
September 9, 2024
6:00 PM

LOCATION:
Zoom

MINUTES

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT 6:07 PM

A. Roll Call

Board Members:	By Invitation: Non-Board Members:
Javier Kuehnle – Chairman ("JK") William Bradley Leach – Vice Chairman ("WL") Kristin Kubach – Secretary ("KK") Ronald Pigliacelli ("RP")	Judith Taggart Matthew Menschner Angela Corosanite Dr. Jason Corosanite Michael Danyo
Board Members Absent:	
Evelt Vertil ("EV") Krista Alexander – Treasurer ("KA")	Daniel H. Saidel, Esq. David Annecharico, Esq. Abigail Lipow, Esq.

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

2. I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on September 9, 2024, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 708 to discuss Resolution R240909.10 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:

C. Approval of Agenda

MOTION
JK
SECOND
KK
VOTE:
X PASS
[ ] FAIL

R240909.01 Approval: September 9, 2024 Agenda

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds approves of the **September 9, 2024** Agenda.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***
Board	*General Discussion*

D. Approval of Minutes

MOTION
RP
SECOND
JK
VOTE:
X PASS
[ ] FAIL

R240909.02 Approval: August 12, 2024 Minutes

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds approves of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds Board of Trustees Board minutes for **August 12, 2024.**

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***
Board	*General Discussion*

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.

Who	***What***
None	*None*

B. Report of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds

MOTION

JK

SECOND

RP

VOTE:

X PASS

[ ] FAIL

R240909.03 Report of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds accepts The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds report and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the written reports of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds presented to the board.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***
Judith Taggart	*Arts & Sciences' report was previously disseminated to the Board.* *School for grades 1-8 began on Wednesday, Kindergarten began today with a big celebration. Enrollment has increased steadily.* *A&S also rolled out the Yonder lockable pouches for student cell phones today.* *The sensory room that was funded by an Eagles Foundation grant has been completed.*

C. Report of String Theory Schools

MOTION

JK

SECOND

RP

VOTE:

X PASS

R240909.04 Report of String Theory Schools

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds 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:

[ ] FAIL

Who	What
Angela Corosanite	*String Theory Schools' report was previously disseminated to the Board.* *A&S has received multiple grants recently, and there are more security, mental health, and facility grants coming up that the school will apply for. Noted the STS staff members who have helped draft grant applications for A&S.*

D. Report of General Counsel

R240909.05 Report of General Counsel

MOOT

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds 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:

Who	What

E. Report of Business Controller

R240909.06 Report of Business Controller

MOTION

JK

SECOND

RP

VOTE:

X PASS

[ ] FAIL

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds reviews and accepts the Financial Report of the Business Controller and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the financial statements and the documents presented by the Business Controller to the board.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	What
Michael Danyo	*Santilli & Thomson's report was previously disseminated to the Board. A&S is on budget right now.*

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

R240909.07 Professional Services Contracts

MOTION

RP

SECOND

JK

VOTE:

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

X PASS

[ ] FAIL

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 The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds 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
Miller Brothers	$6,871.00	Electrical Inspection
Valley Forge Educational Services	$85,000.00	2024-2025 Tuition for Student A.S.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	*What*
Board	*General Discussion*

MOTION

RP

SECOND

KK

VOTE:

X PASS

[ ] FAIL

R240909.08 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 The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds 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
Jamf Software	$28,850.00	Software

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	*What*
Board	*General Discussion*

MOTION

JK

SECOND

RP

VOTE:

X PASS

R240909.09 Human Resources

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds accepts the human resources changes, modifications and additions as presented below:

HIRES

[ ] FAIL

NAME	TITLE	START DATE
Nerli Belasquez-Bonilla	Lunch Aide	8/5/2024
Monica Craun	Teacher	8/5/2024
Taylor Devine	Teacher	8/5/2024
Tacarra Dixon	Special Ed Teacher	8/5/2024
Kendra Downing	Special Ed Teacher	8/19/2024
Thad Graham	Teacher	7/1/2024
Ashley Hackney	Teacher	8/5/2024
Kenneth Kimmage	Special Ed Teacher	8/5/2024
Kevin Laffey	Teacher	8/19/2024
Arleanna Lea	Special Ed Teacher	8/26/2024
Jessica Mahoney	Special Ed Teacher	7/1/2024
Nicole Rivelli	Teacher	8/5/2024
Caroline Schmidt	Teacher	8/9/2024
Lindsay Vena	Teacher	8/5/2024
Brina Way	Teacher	8/5/2024

RESIGNATIONS		
NAME	**TITLE**	**EFFECTIVE DATE**
Macy Barbacano	Teacher	8/9/2024
Catherine Donlon	Teacher	8/9/2024
Alexandra Ferman	Summer	7/2/2024
Quinton Jones	Dean of Students	8/9/2024
Kenneth Kimmage	Special Ed Teacher	8/6/2024
Timothy R O'Brien	Teacher	8/9/2024
Meghan Pollard	Special Ed Teacher	8/10/2024

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***
Board	*General Discussion*

MOTION

KK

SECOND

RP

VOTE:

X PASS

[ ] FAIL

R240909.10 Confidential Settlement Agreement in re: L.P.

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby ratifies the Confidential Settlement Agreement in Re: L.P. as presented, pending final legal review.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***
Board	*General Discussion*

MOTION

RP

SECOND

KK

VOTE:

X PASS

R240909.11 AIR Memorandum of Understanding and Data Use Agreement

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the Memorandum of Understanding and Data Use Agreeement between itself and the American Institutes for Research, as presented.

[ ] FAIL

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***
Board	*General Discussion*

B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: OCTOBER 14, 2024

ADJOURNMENT AT 6:20 PM

MOTION

KK

SECOND

RP

VOTE:

X PASS

[ ] FAIL