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

1197 Haworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124
January 13, 2025
6:00 PM

**LOCATION:**
Zoom

# MINUTES

## SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT 6:11 PM

### A. Roll Call

| Board Members: | By Invitation: Non-Board Members: |
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| Javier Kuehnle – Chairman ("JK")<br>William Bradley Leach – Vice Chairman ("WL")<br>Kristin Kubach – Secretary ("KK")<br>Krista Alexander – Treasurer ("KA")<br>Ronald Pigliacelli ("RP") | Judith Taggart<br>Matthew Menschner<br><br>Angela Corosanite<br>Jason Corosanite<br><br>Michael Danyo |
| Board Members Absent:<br>Evelt Vertil ("EV") | Daniel H. Saidel, Esq.<br>David Annecharico, Esq.<br>Abigail Lipow, Esq.<br><br>Joseph McBride, STS Director of Security<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 Noevember 8, 2024, 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.*

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### C. Approval of Agenda

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**R250113.01 Approval: January 13, 2025 Agenda**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds approves of the **January 13, 2025** Agenda.

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

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### D. Approval of Minutes

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**R250113.02 Approval: November 4, 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 **November 4, 2024.**

***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.

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| *None* | *None* |

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

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**R250113.03 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:***

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| *Judith Taggart* | *Reviewed Arts & Sciences' report, previously disseminated.* |

## C. Report of String Theory Schools

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**R250113.04 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:***

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| *Angela Corosanite* | *Reviewed String Theory Schools' report, previously disseminated.* |

## D. Report of General Counsel

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**R250113.05 Report of General Counsel**

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

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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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| *Daniel H. Saidel* | *No report* |

## E. Report of Business Controller

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**R250113.06 Report of Business Controller**

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:***

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| *Michael Danyo* | *Reviewed Financial Report, previously disseminated.* |

## SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

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**R250113.07 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 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 |
|---|---|---|
| Specialized Education of Pennsylvania, Inc. | $28,367.68 | APS Tuition for A&S student at KAPS Academy of Philadelphia |
| Fairwold Academy | $362.46/per diem | 2024-2025 APS Tuition for students H.B., S.H., L.T.H., and L.P. |
| The Davidson School | $406.11/per diem + 1:1 at | 2024-2025 APS Tuition for Student J.R. |

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| | $241.53/per diem | |
| Clarke Schools | $5,074.00 | Services for Student Z.L. |

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## R250113.08 Purchases

RESOLVED, the Purchases 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** |
|---|---|---|
| Nextgen Furniture Inc | $16,854.90 | Room Divider |
| Krystopa Painting | $14,500.00 | Window Repair |
| Attitudes in Reverse | $36,500.00 | Dog Therapy Training |

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**R250113.09 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 | | |
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| **NAME** | **TITLE** | **START DATE** |
| Laura Gross | Teacher | 11/6/2024 |

| RESIGNATIONS | | |
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| **NAME** | **TITLE** | **EFFECTIVE DATE** |
| Catherine Long | Teacher | 11/27/2024 |
| Marie Rancy | Instructional Assistant | 11/27/2024 |

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**R250113.10 AIR Memorandum of Understanding Amendment**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the amendment to the AIR Memorandum of Understanding and Data Use Agreement:

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**R250113.11 Audit Report of Financial Statements Year Ended June 30, 2024**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds accepts the independent audit report of Financial Statements Year Ended June 30, 2024, as reviewed by the Audit Committee.

*By Roll Call:*

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

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

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| *Michael Danyo* | *Reviewed Audit Report, previously disseminated. Clean audit report with no findings.* |

B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: FEBRUARY 10, 2025

**ADJOURNMENT AT 6:17 PM**

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