

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

1197 Haworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124

March 10, 2025

6:00 PM

LOCATION:

Zoom

MINUTES

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT 6:07 PM

A. Roll Call

<u>Board Members:</u>	<u>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</u>
Javier Kuehnle – Chairman (“JK”) William Bradley Leach – Vice Chairman (“WL”) Kristin Kubach – Secretary (“KK”) Ronald Pigliacelli (“RP”)	Judith Taggart Matthew Menschner Angela Corosanite Michael Danyo Michael Thomson
Board Members Absent: Evelt Vertil (“EV”) Krista Alexander (“KA”)	Daniel H. Saidel, Esq. David Annecharico, Esq. Abigail Lipow, Esq. Matthew Wasco, STS Director of Facilities

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY DANIEL H. SAIDEL

2. I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on March 10, 2025, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 Pa.C.S.A. § 708 to discuss Resolution R250310.10 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

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VOTE:

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R250310.01 Approval: March 10, 2025 Agenda

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds approves the **March 10, 2025** Agenda.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	What
Board	General Discussion

D. Approval of Minutes

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R250310.02 Approval: February 10, 2025 Minutes

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds approves The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds Board of Trustees Board meeting minutes for **February 10, 2025**.

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.

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Marian Oliphant</i>	<i>Spoke on behalf of her granddaughter, student SO regarding the student's potential expulsion.</i>

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

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R250310.03 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:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Judith Taggart</i>	<i>Arts & Sciences' report was previously disseminated to the Board.</i>

C. Report of String Theory Schools

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R250310.04 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:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Angela Corosanite</i>	<i>String Theory Schools' report was previously disseminated to the Board.</i>

D. Report of General Counsel

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R250310.05 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

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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R250310.06 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:

Who	What
Michael Danyo	The financial report was previously disseminated to the Board.

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

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R250310.07 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
AG Speech Language Potential, LLC	\$200/hour	Speech Language services for student A.R.
Abington Speech Pathology Services	Various Rates	Addendum to 2024-2025 Contract for BCBA and RBT
Abington Speech Pathology Services	Various Rates	Provision of therapy services for 2025-2026 SY
CORA Services, LLC	Various Rates	Provision of related services providers

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Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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<i>Board</i>	<i>General Discussion</i>

R250310.08 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 purchases; 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

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>

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R250310.09 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		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE

RESIGNATIONS		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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R250310.10 Expulsion of Student S.O.

RESOLVED, Student S.O. is permanently expelled from The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds effective March 10, 2025;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Board of Trustees on file with The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds and the record of the formal expulsion hearing of S.O. ("Hearing Record") is adopted; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Hearing Record is made a part of S.O.'s permanent record.

By Roll Call:

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

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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R250310.10 Head Start Memorandum of Understanding

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the Head Start Memorandum of Understanding between it and The School District of Philadelphia's Office of Early Childhood Education, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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R250310.11 2025-2026 BOT Meeting Calendar

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the 2025-2026 Board of Trustees Meeting Calendar, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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R250310.12 2025-2026 School Calendar

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the 2025-2026 School Calendar, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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<i>Board</i>	<i>General Discussion</i>

B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: APRIL 14, 2025

ADJOURNMENT AT 6:19 PM

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