

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

1197 Haworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124

August 11, 2025

6:00 PM

**LOCATION:**

Zoom Meeting

**AGENDA**

**SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER AT**

**A. Roll Call**

| <b>Board Members:</b>  | <b>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</b>   |
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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”)<br>Evelt Vertil (“EV”) | Judith Taggart<br>Matthew Menschner<br><br>Angela Corosanite<br>Jason Corosanite<br><br>Michael Thomson<br>Michael Danyo |
| Board Members Absent:  | Daniel H. Sidel, Esq.<br>David Annecharico, Esq.<br>Abigail Lipow, Esq.  |

**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.*

*or*

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

( ) Certain Employee Issues. To discuss any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the agency, or former public officer or employee, provided, however, that the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected may request, in writing, that the matter or matters be discussed at an open meeting. The agency's decision to discuss such matters in executive session shall not serve to adversely affect the due process rights granted by law, including those granted by Title 2 (relating to administrative law and procedure).

( ) Labor Relations. To hold information, strategy and negotiation sessions related to labor relations and/or arbitration.

( ) Purchase or Lease of Real Property. To consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease the real property is obtained or up to the time an agreement to purchase or lease such property is obtained if the agreement is obtained directly without an option.

( ) 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.

( ) 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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#### **R250811.01 Approval: August 11, 2025 Agenda**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds approves the **August 11, 2025** Agenda.

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

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### D. Approval of Minutes

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#### **R250811.02 Approval: June 9, 2025 Minutes**

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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 **June 9, 2025.**

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

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**R250811.03 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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**C. Report of String Theory Schools**

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### **R250811.04 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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### **D. Report of General Counsel**

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### **R250811.05 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 & Sidel 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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### **R250811.06 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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## **SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS**

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### **R250811.07 Professional Services Contracts**

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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   |
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| Martin Luther School                  | \$6,710.00 + related services        | ESY 2025 for Students B.F. and A.M.   |
| Elwyn School                          | \$406.11/per diem + related services | ESY 2025 for Students S.G., Y.R.T., J.R.  |
| Joyful Readers                        | \$45,000.00                          | Provision of reading support services   |
| Long Valley Therapy                   | Various Rates                        | Provision of OT and PT for ESY 2025   |
| Long Valley Therapy                   | Various Rates                        | Provision of PT for 2025-2026 SY  |
| Long Valley Therapy                   | Various Rates                        | Provision of OT for 2025-2026 SY  |
| Nancy O'Neill                         | \$1,400/evaluation                   | Provision of psychoeducational evaluations  |
| American Staffing Professionals       | \$313.88/per diem                    | Provision of substitute teachers  |
| Clarke Schools for Hearing and Speech | \$700.00                             | Provision of hearing and speech services for Student Z.L.   |
| Valley Forge Educational Services     | 91,500.00                            | 2025-2026 APS Tuition for Student L.R.  |
| Shelly Electric Co.                   | \$8,190.00                           | Replacement of electrical receptacles, bid out  |
| David Shahriari                       | \$190,000                            | Provision of leadership coaching and School-Wide Positive Behavioral Expectations Plan for school model |
| Elwyn School                          | \$452.97/per diem + related services | 2025-2026 APS Tuition for Student B.H.  |
| Elwyn School                          | \$452.97/per diem + related services | 2025-2026 APS Tuition for Student J.R.  |
| Elwyn School                          | \$272.42/per diem                    | 2025-2026 Related Services for Student I.M.K.   |

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

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| General Counsel | <p>See RFP No. RFP-2025.06.20. A&amp;S. Electrical, attached hereto at 5.10. indicating compliance with 24 P.S. 7-751.</p> <p>These minutes memorialize that for all applicable contracts that exceed a base amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), subject to adjustment under 24 P.S. § 1-120, but are less than the amount requiring advertisement and competitive bidding, or, in lieu of price quotations, that fewer than three qualified contractors exist in the market area within which it is practicable to obtain quotations.</p> |

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**R250811.08 Purchases**

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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 |
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**R250811.09 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:

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| RESIGNATIONS |       |                |
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**R250811.10 2025-2026 Student Handbook**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the 2-2025-2026 Student Handbook.

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**R250811.11 2025-2026 Employee Handbook**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the 2-2025-2026 Employee Handbook.

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**R250811.12 Confidential Settlement Agreement in re: A.B.**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the Confidential Settlement Agreement and associated Trust in re: A.B., as presented.

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**R250811.13 Confidential Settlement Agreement in re: A.D.**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts & Sciences at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves of the Confidential Settlement Agreement and associated Trust in re: A.D., as presented.

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**R250811.14 Schoolwide Title I Comprehensive Plan**

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RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees The Philadelphia Charter School for Arts and Science at H.R. Edmunds hereby approves the Schoolwide Title I Comprehensive Plan, as presented, and directs that the Plan be finalized and submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Education, as required.

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

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B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

**ADJOURNMENT AT \_\_\_\_\_**

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