

LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY

900 W. LINDLEY AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19141

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

DATE & TIME:
OCTOBER 15, 2024
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER

Opening Colloquy

This meeting of the Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney Board of Trustees is hereby called to order. The time is 6:06 P.M. My name is Barbara Saunders. I am the Vice President of this Board of Trustees, and I will facilitate this meeting.

This meeting is being held via video teleconference. This is a public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney that was properly advertised pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act. The public notice included instructions for how the public could participate in tonight's meeting. The public meeting schedule is posted at the school and on the website in the monthly calendar.

All members of the public are welcome to sit and listen to the Board of Trustees conduct its business tonight. Members of the public who have registered with the Administrative Office to participate in public comment by 5:00 P.M. on the day before this scheduled meeting may participate in public comment. At this time, I would ask that the Executive Administration submit the list of commenters to our General Counsel. Comments will be limited to three minutes unless the Board decides to grant additional time.

At this time, I will ask that Roll Call be taken.

A. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present:	By Invitation: Non-Board Members:
Barbara Saunders — Vice President Evette Alliston — Treasurer Regina Felder — Trustee Reginald Howard — Secretary Sandra Farmer — Trustee Anita Vega-Kaiser — Trustee Board Members Absent: None	Dr. Margery Covello, CEO Nancy White, Principal Elaine Latimer, Director of SPED Ashley Redfearn, CEO, APS Kristine Magargee, Chief Academic Officer, APS Peter Costa, Santilli & Thomson, LLC David Hussey, Esq.

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY BARBARA SAUNDERS

I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that during this meeting, the Board of Trustees will meet in Executive Session to discuss Resolution 240820.08 (litigation matter) with legal counsel.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:
SF
SECOND:
AVK
VOTE:
 PASS
 FAIL

Resolution 241015.01 Approval of the October 15, 2024 Agenda

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the **October 15, 2024** Agenda.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	What
Board	Reviewed the agenda, a copy of which was posted on the school website in advance of the meeting

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:
EA
SECOND:
RH
VOTE:
 PASS
 FAIL

Resolution 241015.02 Approval of the September 17, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the Minutes of the **September 17, 2024** meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	What
Board	Reviewed the September meeting minutes

SECTION II: REPORTS

A. COMMUNITY COMMENT

Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)

Good evening. My name is David Hussey, and I am with Sand & Saidel, P.C., General Counsel to the Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney 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 with which you might supplement your comment 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.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>

A. LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY CEO

Dr. Covello presented the monthly written CEO report, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein, highlighting:

- + Enrollment, including special education evaluations;*
- + Strategic plan updates, including attendance interventions and mental health initiatives;*
- + Community connections, including university partnerships for student-teachers, as well as food distribution;*
- + ARP ESSER monitoring;*
- + Facilities update, including the need to replace a boiler; and*
- + Professional development.*

Dr. Covello and the Board discussed the status of the boiler system.

B. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS CEO

A. Redfearn presented the monthly written APS report, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein, highlighting various organizational updates, including new committees and collaboration efforts. K. Magargee provided an academic update and invited board members to attend an upcoming Tableau training. The Board and K. Magargee discussed efforts to integrate social justice topics throughout the curriculum.

C. BUSINESS CONTROLLER

P. Costa presented the monthly written report of the business controller, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein, highlighting:

- + Profit and loss statement, which does not include outstanding invoices;*

- + Projected budgetary surplus based upon current revenue and expenditure projections; and
- + Status of audit;

Dr. Covello reported upon a pending PCCD grant (\$70,000). P. Costa discussed the potential budgetary impact of boiler replacement costs.

SECTION III: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENSUS AGENDA: OMNIBUS APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS 241015.03 THROUGH 241015.06

MOTION:
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SECOND:
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VOTE:
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Resolution 241015.03 Approval of Reports

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney accepts the report of the CEO of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney and all documents submitted thereby, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney accepts the report of American Paradigm Schools and all documents submitted thereby, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby reviews and accepts the Financial Report of Peter Costa of Santilli & Thomson and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the Treasurer’s Report and the documents presented by Peter Costa to the board.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>General discussion</i>

Resolution 240820.04 Health and Safety Plan

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School hereby approves the Health and Safety Plan, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Dr. Covello</i>	<i>Reviewed the health and safety plan, a copy of which was distributed to board members in advance of the meeting</i>

Resolution 240820.05 Federal Programs Conflict of Interest Policy

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School hereby approves the Conflict of Interest Policy (Federal Programs), as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Dr. Covell</i>	<i>Reported upon the conflict of interest policy, which is required for federal grants</i>

Resolution 240820.06 Contracts

RESOLVED, the contract/s and associated report/s listed below are hereby accepted and ratified;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the CEO, Business Controller, and General Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate contract/s for the professional services described below;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the President is authorized to execute any document or delegate any task necessary to effectuate this resolution.

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
Bustleton Services	Variable rates	Snow plow services

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Dr. Covello</i>	<i>Presented the quote for snow removal services</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>Inquired regarding quotes for snow removal services</i>

B. PRIORITY ITEM(S)

MOTION:
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SECOND:
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VOTE:
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Resolution 240820.07 Election of Board Officers

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School hereby elects the following Board Officers:

President: Reginald Howard
Vice President: Sandra Farmer
Secretary: Anita Vega-Kaiser
Treasurer: Barbara Saunders

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>Nominated officers</i>

Upon Motion by S. Farmer, Seconded by R. Howard, the Board voted to enter executive session at 7:29 pm to discuss Resolution 240820.08 (litigation matter) with legal counsel.

Upon Motion by A. Vega-Kaiser, Seconded by S. Farmer the Board adjourned from executive session at 8:26 pm.

MOTION:
AVK
SECOND:
EA
VOTE:
 PASS
 FAIL

Resolution 240820.08 Settlement Agreement re: Student DG

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School hereby approves the confidential settlement agreement re: Student DG, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>Discussed the proposed settlement agreement with legal counsel in executive session</i>

C. UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ NEXT BOARD MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.
- ❖ FALL CARNIVAL: OCTOBER 25, 2024 IN THE SCHOOL YEAR FROM 5:00 – 6:30 P.M.
- ❖ AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL DIVERSITY 7TH AND 8TH GRADE CLASSROOM STEM ACTIVITIES: OCTOBER 21, 2024 AT 8:00 – 10:00 A.M.
- ❖ RACHEL’S CHALLENGE KINDNESS ANTIBULLYING EDUCATION (K-8): OCTOBER 22, 2024 ALL DAY

ADJOURNMENT AT 8:28 P.M.

MOTION:
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SECOND:
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VOTE:
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