

# TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

6201 KEYSTONE STREET  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19135

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

DATE & TIME:

MARCH 15 2023

6:00 P.M.

## Agenda

### SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER

#### Opening Colloquy

This meeting of the Tacony Academy Charter School Board of Trustees is hereby called to order. The time is \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. My name is Barbara L. Saunders. I am the President of this Board of Trustees, and I will facilitate this meeting.

In order to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the school community from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting is being held via teleconference. This is a public meeting that was properly noticed in the Philadelphia Daily News and pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act. The public notice included instructions for how the public could participate in tonight's meeting.

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**

<b>Board Members Present:</b>	<b>By Invitation: Non-Board Members:</b>
Barbara L. Saunders Jennifer Ragen Anita Vega-Kaiser Sandra Farmer Dr. Ronald Whitaker Lionel S. Archer, Jr.	Naimah Wimberly  Ashley Redfearn Kristine Magargee Scott Kramer  Michael Thomson Peter Costa  Dean Krebs, Esq.  Marianne Lynch
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	

**B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY BARBARA L. SAUNDERS**

*I would 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*

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R230315.01 Approval of the March 15, 2023 Agenda**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the March 15, 2023 Agenda.

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

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

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

PASS

**R230315.02 Minutes of the February 15, 2023 Meeting**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of the February 15, 2023 meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School.

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

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

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**SECTION II: REPORTS**

**A. COMMUNITY COMMENT**

*Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)*

Good evening. My name is Dean Krebs, and I am with Sand & Saidel, P.C., General Counsel to the Tacony Academy 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 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>

- B. TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL CEO**
- C. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS CEO**
- D. BUSINESS CONTROLLER**
- E. GENERAL COUNSEL**

**SECTION III: OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

**SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS**

**A. RESOLUTIONS**

MOTION:

**R230315.03 Report of the Business Controller**

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School accepts the Financial Report of the Business Controller and all documents submitted thereby, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting.

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VOTE:

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

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

MOTION:

**R230315.04 Human Resources Resolution**

SECONDED:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School accepts the Human Resources changes, modifications, and additions, as presented.

VOTE:

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HIRES / RETURN TO SERVICE/ POSITION CHANGE/RATE CHANGE		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE
None	None	None

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS / LOA		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Jennifer Lovenstein	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher	3/17/23

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

Who	What

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**R230315.05 Professional Services Contract/s Resolution**

RESOLVED, the Professional Services 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
None	None	None

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

Who	What
None	None

MOTION:

**R230315.06 Purchase Contract/s Resolution**

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SECOND:

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

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FURTHER RESOLVED, the CEO, Business Controller, and General Counsel are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate terms and conditions for the Purchase Contract/s 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
Janus Associates, Inc. d/b/a/ BHS	\$2.51/Employee/Month	Employee Assistance Program services  3-Year Contract  Supplemental services available at additional cost.  Cost per employee may fluctuate depending on number of employees and utilization.

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

Who	What

MOTION:

**R2230318.07 Approval of Amended Positive Behavior Support Policy**

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby ratifies and approves of the Amended Positive Behavior Support Policy, as presented.

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

Who	What

MOTION:

**R230315.08 Election of Marianne Lynch as Trustee**

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby elects Ms. Marianne Lynch to the position of Trustee of the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School, effective March 16, 2023; and

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FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ms. Marianna Lynch shall be administered the oath of office by legal counsel.

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

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

**ROLL CALL**

Barbara L. Saunders  
Jennifer Ragen  
Anita Vega-Kaiser  
Sandra Farmer  
Dr. Ronald Whitaker  
Lionel S. Archer, Jr.

MOTION:

**R230315.09 Expulsion of Student 45585**

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, student 45585 is permanently expelled from Tacony Academy Charter School effective March 15, 2022;

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FURTHER RESOLVED, the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Board of Trustees on file with Tacony Academy Charter School and the record of the formal expulsion hearing of BJ (“Hearing Record”) is adopted; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Hearing Record is made a part of 45585’s permanent record.

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

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

**ROLL CALL**

Barbara L. Saunders  
Jennifer Ragen  
Anita Vega-Kaiser  
Sandra Farmer  
Dr. Ronald Whitaker  
Lionel S. Archer, Jr.

**B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

NEXT BOARD MEETING: APRIL 19, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT AT \_\_:\_\_ P.M.**

MOTION:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

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