

TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
6201 KEYSTONE STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19135

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM MEETING

DATE & TIME:
JUNE 21, 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.

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

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

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:

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R230621.01 Approval of the June 21, 2023 Agenda

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the June 21, 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:

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R230621.02 Minutes of the May 17, 2023 Meeting

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of the May 17, 2023 meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

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:

R230621.03 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:

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

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MOTION:

R230621.04 Approval of Fund Balance

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, that the Board of the Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School designates the estimated ending fund balance for the year ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

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VOTE:

Designated for Working Capital/School Performance	\$3,500,000
Available for Appropriation	\$1,900,000
Designated for Non-Liquid Assets	\$500,000
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$5,900,000</u>

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Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

MOTION:

R230621.05. Lease Reimbursement

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School approves the application for reimbursement of a charter school lease for the 2022-23 fiscal year.

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VOTE:

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

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MOTION:

R230621.06 Human Resources Resolution

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SECOND:

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

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VOTE:

HIRES / RETURN TO SERVICE/ POSITION CHANGE/RATE CHANGE		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE
Peter Andreev (new hire)	ES Music Teacher	8/21/23
Marcia Butler (transfer)	HS Environmental Science Teacher	8/21/23
Mark Broadbent (transfer)	HS Guidance Counselor	8/21/23
Chandra Jones (new hire)	HS Special Education Teacher	8/21/23
Tracey McPherson (new hire)	HS Senior Seminar/English Teacher	8/21/23
Roseann Bermudez (rate change)	Classroom Teacher (ES) 5th Grade	5/29/23

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TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS / LOA		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Safa Abu Yaqoub (resignation)	Instructional Assistant (ES)	6/9/23
Kathleen Fosbenner (resignation)	Classroom Teach (ES) 2nd Grade	6/30/23
Jenna Sullivan (resignation)	Classroom Teacher (ES) 2nd Grade	6/30/23
Jennifer Sellers (resignation)	HS Nurse	6/30/23
Stephanie Kull (LOA)	3 rd Grade Teacher	8/28/23 – 11/13/23

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	What

MOTION:

R230621.07 Professional Services Contract/s Resolution

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SECOND:

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

VOTE:

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

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

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Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
Playworks	\$24,000	Recess coaching/curriculum
TriState HVAC Equipment	\$12,110.00/Year	2023-24 SY Maintenance/Inspection
A&J Personal Touch Cleaning Services	\$30,500.00/Month	2023-24 SY Facility cleaning services

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

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R230621.08 Purchase Contract/s Resolution

RESOLVED, the Purchase 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 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
None	None	None

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

MOTION:

R230621.09 Approval of 2023-24 Board Meeting Calendar

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School ratifies and approves of the 2023-24 Board Meeting Calendar, as presented.

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Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

VOTE:

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

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MOTION:

R230621.10 Approval of 2023-24 Maintenance Calendar

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School ratifies and approves of the 2023-24 Maintenance Calendar, as presented.

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Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

VOTE:

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

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MOTION:

R230621.11 Approval of Wellness Plan

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School ratifies and approves of the Wellness Plan, as presented.

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Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

VOTE:

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

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MOTION:

R230621.12 Approval of Board Terms

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SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School ratifies and approves of the current Board terms, as presented below:

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VOTE:

Lionel S. Archer, Jr.: 7/1/23 – 6/30/26

Marianne Lynch: 7/1/23 – 6/30/26

Ronald Whitaker: 7/1/21 – 6/30/24

Anita Vega-Kaiser: 7/1/21 – 6/30/24

Barbara Saunders: 7/1/22 – 6/30/25

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ROLL CALL:

Barbara L. Saunders

Jennifer Ragen

Anita Vega-Kaiser

Sandra Farmer

Lionel S. Archer, Jr.

Dr. Ronald Whitaker

Marianne Lynch

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

MOTION:

R230621.13 Approval of Board Officers

SECONDED:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees ratifies and approves of the Board officers for the term of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, as presented:

VOTE:

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<i>OFFICER</i>	<i>NAME</i>
PRESIDENT	
VICE-PRESIDENT	
TREASURER	
SECRETARY	

ROLL CALL:

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

MOTION:

R230621.14 Acceptance of Ms. Sandra Farmer Term End

SECONDED:

WHEREAS, Ms. Sandra Farmer has served on the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School for over a decade;

VOTE:

WHEREAS, the By-laws of Tacony Academy Charter School limit Trustees to serving two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms;

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WHEREAS, the last day of Ms. Farmer’s second consecutive term is June 30, 2023; and

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees ratifies and accepts the expiration of Ms. Farmer’s term end date as a Trustee on the Board of Trustees as of June 30, 2023.

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
Lionel S. Archer, Jr.
Dr. Ronald Whitaker

MOTION:

Marianne Lynch

R230621.12 Approval of Resignation of Ms. Jennifer Ragen

SECONDED:

WHEREAS, Ms. Jennifer Ragen has served on the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School for over five years.

VOTE:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees accepts the resignation of Ms. Jennifer Ragen, effective June 30, 2023.

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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
- Lionel S. Archer, Jr.
- Dr. Ronald Whitaker
- Marianne Lynch

MOTION:

R230621.13 Approval of Safety, Security, & Threat Report

SECONDED:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School ratifies and approves of the Safety, Security, and Threat Report, as presented.

VOTE:

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

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B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT BOARD MEETING: AUGUST _____, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT AT _____ PM

MOTION:

SECONDED:

VOTE:

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