

TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
6201 KEYSTONE STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19135

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM MEETING

DATE & TIME:
MARCH 20, 2024
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

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 6:05 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 Lionel S. Archer, Jr. Dr. Ronald Whitaker	Naimah Wimberly Dr. Kwanza Waters-Cogdell Ashley Redfearn Kristine Magargee Scott Kramer Peter Costa Dean Krebs, Esq.
Board Members Absent: Anita Vega-Kaiser Marianne Lynch	

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:

 LIONEL ARCHER

 SECOND:
 RONALD
 WHITAKER

 VOTE:

 PASS

 FAIL

R240320.01 Approval of the March 20, 2024 Agenda

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the March 20, 2024 Agenda.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:

 LIONEL ARCHER

 SECOND:
 RONALD
 WHITAKER

 VOTE:

 PASS

 FAIL

R240320.02 Minutes of the February 21, 2024 Meeting

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of the February 21, 2024 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>

A. BUSINESS CONTROLLER**B. TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL CEO**

- a. *Ms. Naimah Wimberly, CEO of TACS*
 - i. *Reviewed and discussed with the Board the March 2024 CEO report.*
- b. *Dr. Kwanza Waters-Cogdell, Principal of TACS*
 - i. *Reviewed and discussed with the Board the March 2024 CEO report.*
 - ii. *Shared and discussed RWL, including showing a video; and*
 - iii. *Shared Proficiency data updates from 2022.*

C. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS CEO

- a. *Ms. Ashley Redfearn, CEO of APS*
 - i. *Reviewed and discussed with the Board the March 2024 report, previously disseminated the Board;*
 - ii. *Shared with the Board various CEO collaborations , including weekly meetings with data review for attendance, academics, discipline, and other metrics; weekly compliance reminders; and leader training, among other matters.*
- b. *Mr. Scott Kramer, CTO of APS*
 - i. *Reviewed and discussed with the Board the March 2024 report, previously disseminated the Board;*
 - ii. *Informed Board of TTR partnership;*
 - iii. *Discussed Cabrini University Grant Discussion;*
 - iv. *Shared vacancies across network;*
 - v. *Shared updates on interview data;*

- vi. Shared utilization of Tuition Reimbursement, noting 6 teachers are using it at TACS.
- c. Ms. Kristine Magargee, CAO of APS
 - i. Reviewed and discussed with the Board the March 2024 report, previously disseminated the Board;

D. GENERAL COUNSEL

- a. None

SECTION III: OLD BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

MOTION:
LIONEL ARCHER
SECOND:
RONALD WHITAKER
VOTE:
[X] PASS
[] FAIL

R240320.03 Report of the Business Controller

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.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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<i>Board</i>	<i>General discussion</i>

MOTION:
LIONEL ARCHER
SECOND:
RONALD WHITAKER
VOTE:
[X] PASS
[] FAIL

R240320.04 Human Resources Resolution

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

HIRES / RETURN TO SERVICE/ POSITION CHANGE/RATE CHANGE		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE
Sarah Macholdt (new hire)	Instructional Assistant	2/26/24

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS / LOA		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Tracey McPherson (LOA)	Senior Seminar/English Teacher	3/18/24

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT BOARD MEETING: APRIL 17, 2024 AT 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT AT 6:54PM

MOTION:
LIONEL ARCHER

SECOND:
RONALD WHITAKE

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL