

FIRST PHILADELPHIA PREPARATORY  
CHARTER SCHOOL  
4300 TACONY STREET  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19142

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

LOCATION:  
4300 TACONY STREET  
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19124

DATE & TIME:  
AUGUST 21, 2019  
7:30 PM

**Agenda**

**SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER**

*Opening Colloquy*

This meeting of the First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School Board of Trustees is hereby called to Order. The time is 6:00 p.m. My name is John MacDonald. I am the President of this Board of Trustees and I will facilitate this meeting.

This is a public meeting that was properly advertised pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act in the Philadelphia Daily News.

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 p.m. on the day before this scheduled meeting may participate in public comment. At this time, I would ask that executive administration submit the list of commenters to our legal 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>
Karin Coger Julani Ghana Teresa Grumbrecht Anita Vega-Kaiser John MacDonald Barbara Saunders Duane White	Dr. Joseph Gillespie  Ashley Redfearn Gerald L. Santilli Scott Kramer Katie Santilli  Peter Costa
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	Daniel Saidel, Esq. Dean Krebs, Esq.

**B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY JOHN MACDONALD**

1. 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.

OR

2. I would like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 P.S. § 708:

( ) *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.*

**C. Approval of Agenda**

MOTION

**R190821.01 Approval of the August 21, 2019 Agenda**

—

SECOND

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves the August 21, 2019 Agenda.

—

VOTE:

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

PASS

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

FAIL

**D. Approval of Minutes**

MOTION

**R190821.02 Minutes of the June 19, 2019 Meeting**

—

SECOND

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of the June 19, 2019 meeting of the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School.

—

VOTE:

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

PASS

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

FAIL

**SECTION II: REPORTS**

**A. Community Comment**

*Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)*

Good Evening, my name is Daniel Saidel with Sand & Saidel, PC, General Counsel to the First Philadelphia Preparatory 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.

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

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

**B. First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School CEO**

**C. American Paradigm Schools CEO**

**D. Business Controller**

**SECTION III: NEW BUSINESS**

**A. RESOLUTIONS**

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.03 Report of the Business Controller**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory 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:*

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

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.04 Uniform Human Resources Resolution**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School ratifies the human resources changes, modifications and additions as presented.

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

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

MOOT

**R190821.05 Uniform Professional Services Resolution**

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

FURTHER RESOLVED, the CEO, business controller and general counsel are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate the terms and conditions of those contract/s based upon these Professional Services Proposal/s;

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

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions

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

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

MOOT

**R190821.06 Uniform Purchases Resolution**

RESOLVED, the Purchase Services, Proposal/s and associated reports listed below are hereby accepted and ratified;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the CEO, business controller and general counsel are hereby authorized and directed to negotiate the terms and conditions of those contract based upon these Purchase Services and Proposal/s;

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

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions

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

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

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.07 Approval of 2019-20 Student Handbook**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves the 2019-2020 Student Handbook, as presented.

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

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

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.08 Approval of Data Sharing Memorandum of Understanding with the School District of Philadelphia**

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding with the School District of Philadelphia, as presented.

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.09 E-Signature Authority**

BE IT RESOLVED, by authority of the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School, it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, that Dr. Joseph Gillespie, who is the Chief Executive Officer of the above named body, is authorized and directed to sign any and all contracts, agreements, grants and/or licenses (hereinafter collectively referred to as contract(s)) with the Pennsylvania Department of Education (Department); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body consents to the use of electronic signatures by the above named individual and that no handwritten signature from the above named individual shall be required in order for any contract with the Department to be legally enforceable and that by affixing his/her electronic signature to an electronic file of the contract via the Department’s e-grants system, the above designated authorized individual shall have effectively executed and delivered the contract, binding the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School to comply with the terms of said contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no writing shall be required in order to make the contract valid and legally binding, provided that the Department and all other necessary Commonwealth approvers affix their signatures electronically and an electronically-printed copy of the Contract is e-mailed or is otherwise made available to the body by electronic means; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body will not contest the due authorization, execution, delivery, validity or enforceability of the electronic

Contract under the provisions of a statute of frauds or any other applicable law. The Contract, if introduced as evidence on paper in any judicial, arbitration, mediation, or administrative proceedings, will be admissible as between the parties to the same extent and under the same conditions as other business records originated and maintained in documentary form and the admissibility thereof shall not be contested under either the business records exception to the hearsay rule or the best evidence rule; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body will notify the Department's Bureau of Management Services promptly in the event that the above named individual is no longer authorized to execute agreements on behalf of the body electronically and that the Department shall be entitled to rely upon the above named officer's authority to execute agreements electronically on behalf of the body until such notice is received by the Department's Office of Chief Counsel.

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

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

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.10 Confidential Settlement Agreement: Student JG**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School ratifies the Confidential Settlement Agreement In Re: JG as presented.

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

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

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

**R190821.11 Confidential Settlement Agreement: Student JP**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School ratifies the Confidential Settlement Agreement In Re: JP as presented.

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

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

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

**R190821.12 Confidential Settlement Agreement: Student SM**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School ratifies the Confidential Settlement Agreement In Re: SM as presented.

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

[ ] PASS

[ ] FAIL

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

[ ] PASS

[ ] FAIL

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

**R190821.13 Confidential Settlement Agreement: Student SM**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School ratifies the Confidential Settlement Agreement In Re: SM as presented.

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

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

**B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: September 18, 2019

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION

—

SECOND

—

VOTE:

[ ] PASS

[ ] FAIL

—