

FIRST PHILADELPHIA PREPARATORY
CHARTER SCHOOL
4300 TACONY STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19124

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM CONFERENCE

DATE & TIME:
SEPTEMBER 22, 2026
6:00 P.M.

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 _____ p.m. My name is Anita Vega-Kaiser. 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:
Anita Vega-Kaiser – President Dr. Martha J. Ritter – Vice-President Teresa Grumbrecht - Treasurer Dr. MyDirah Littlepage-Saunders ShoShana Skates – Secretary Pablo Mateo Khaled Ashraf Board Members Absent:	Deborah Smith Ashley Redfearn Kristine Magargee Scott Kramer Samuel Mercanti Dean Krebs, Esq.

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION *BY ANITA VEGA-KAISER*

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:

R260923.01 Approval of the September 23, 2026 Agenda

SECOND:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves the September 23 2026 Agenda.

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MOTION:

R260923.02 Minutes of the August 26, 2026 Meeting

SECOND:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of August 26, 2026 meeting of the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School.

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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 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 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.

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B. FIRST PHILADELPHIA PREPARATORY CHARTER SCHOOL

C. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS

D. BUSINESS CONTROLLER

E. GENERAL COUNSEL

SECTION III: OLD BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

MOTION:

R260923.03 Report of the Business Controller

SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School accepts the Financial Report of the Business Controller and all

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documents submitted thereby, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting.

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R260923.04 Human Resources Resolution

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School accepts the Human Resources changes, modifications, and additions, as presented.

HIRES / RATE CHANGE / POSITION CHANGE / RETURN LOA		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE
Yozmarie Landro (new hire)	Instructional Assistant	9/22/26
Dior-Ivory Vally (new hire)	Instructional Assistant	9/14/26

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS / LOA		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Grace Sheetz (resignation)	5th Grade SS/ELA	9/9/26
Benjamin Slater (termination)	SPED Teacher	8/31/26
Deborah McCune (resignation)	Instructional Assistant	9/11/26

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R260923.05 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
Sofia Ginzburg, Ph.D.	Psychological evaluation: \$1,200 each	Staffing services
Overbrook for the Blind	Vision, Orientation, and Mobility Services: \$110/hr	Staffing services
Fairwold Academy	\$441.29 / Day / Student \$79.432.20 / Year / Student	Private placement Ten (10) Students Related services for additional fees

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R260923.06 Gerald Santilli Founder's Day

WHEREAS, Mr. Gerald Santilli was the founder of American Paradigm Schools and First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School ("FPPCS"), and played an instrumental role in establishing, developing, and advancing the mission, values, and educational vision of each organization; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Santilli's leadership, commitment to children and families, and dedication to providing high-quality educational opportunities have had a lasting impact on FPPCS ("FPPCS"), including its students, families, employees, and surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of FPPCS (the "Board") believes that formally recognizing Mr. Santilli's contributions will preserve an important part of FPPCS's history and provide an annual opportunity for its community to reflect upon the values associated with his service; and

WHEREAS, FPPCS presently observes the Wednesday immediately preceding Thanksgiving Day as a day on which the school and administrative offices are closed; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to formally designate that existing day as “Gerald Santilli Founder’s Day” as an annual day of remembrance, gratitude, reflection, and recognition of the values and vision upon which American Paradigm Schools was founded;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby designates the Wednesday immediately preceding Thanksgiving Day each year as “Gerald Santilli Founder’s Day,” beginning with the 2026–2027 school year; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Gerald Santilli Founder’s Day shall replace the existing designation for the Wednesday preceding Thanksgiving and shall not constitute the creation of an additional holiday, paid day off, or additional school closure beyond that already provided in the approved school and organizational calendars.

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R260923.07 Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement for Student No. 10054802

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves of the Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement between itself and Student No. 10054802 pending final legal review.

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R260923.08 Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement for Student No. 10100149

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves of the Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement between itself and Student No. 10100149 pending final legal review.

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R260923.09 Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement for Student No. 10147385

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of First Philadelphia Preparatory Charter School hereby approves of the Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement between itself and Student No. 10147385 pending final legal review.

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B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT BOARD MEETING: OCTOBER 28, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT AT __:__ P.M.

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