

LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY

900 W. LINDLEY AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19141

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC

DATE & TIME:

FEBRUARY 15, 2022

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER

Opening Colloquy

This meeting of the Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney Board of Trustees is hereby called to order. The time is 6:09 P.M. My name is Lisa Johnson. 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 of the Board of Trustees of the Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney that was properly advertised pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act. The public notice included instructions for how the public could participate in tonight's meeting. The public meeting schedule is posted at the school and on the website in the monthly calendar.

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:
<p>Lisa Johnson — President Barbara Saunders — Vice President Regina Felder — Trustee Evette Bowman — Treasurer Reginald Howard — Trustee</p> <p>Board Members Absent:</p> <p>Ana Christina Melhor — Secretary</p>	<p>Dr. Margery Covello, CEO Nancy White, Principal Ralph Lovelidge, Principal</p> <p>Elaine Latimer, Director of SPED Sean Murphy, Director of Climate Dr. Kwanza Waters, Vice Principal Andrea Brock, Director of Operations Tanya Northrup, Director of Facilities</p> <p>Ashley Redfearn, CEO, APS Scott Kramer, Chief Talent Officer, APS Kristine Magargee, Chief Academic Officer, APS Fanty Marc, Director of Coaching, APS Evin Rezavker, Academic Coach, APS</p> <p>Peter Costa, Santilli & Thomson, LLC</p> <p>David Hussey, Esq.</p>

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY LISA JOHNSON

The Board of Trustees did not meet in Executive Session prior to this meeting.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:
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 SECOND:
 BLS
 VOTE:
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Resolution 220215.01 Approval of the February 15, 2022 Agenda

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the **February 15, 2022** Agenda.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>Reviewed the agenda, a copy of which was posted on the school's website 24 hours prior to the meeting</i>

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:
 RF

Resolution 220215.02 Approval of the January 18, 2022 Board Meeting

SECOND:
BLS
VOTE:
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Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the Minutes of the **January 18, 2022** meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
Board	Reviewed the January 18 minutes

MOTION:
EB
SECOND:
RH
VOTE:
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Resolution 220215.03 Approval of the January 31, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the Minutes of the **January 31, 2022** meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
Board	Reviewed the January 31 minutes

SECTION II: REPORTS

A. COMMUNITY COMMENT

Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)

Good evening. My name is David Hussey, and I am with Sand & Saidel, P.C., General Counsel to the Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney 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>
None	None

B. LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY CEO

Dr. Covello presented the written monthly report of the CEO, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein, highlighting:

+ *Monthly data;*

- + Updates regarding ESSER funding, Springboard Collaborative programming, and PSSA planning; and
- + Community activities and events.

S. Murphy presented regarding student disciplinary and attendance data, highlighting

- + Trends in attendance data;
- + Efforts to engage families to promote student attendance;
- + Year-to-year trends in student suspensions, including a decrease in recent years;
- + The Lindley Learners social and emotional learning program, with small group intervention;
- + Calm Down Corners to promote student self-regulation

The Board and S. Murphy discussed student attendance intervention measures. Dr. Covello discussed the impact of COVID upon school attendance.

C. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS CEO

A. Redfearn presented the monthly written report of APS, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein.

K. Magargee introduced the coaching team, F. Marc and E. Rezavker, who presented regarding:

- + An overview of instructional coaching;
- + The APS instructional coaching program;
- + Learning theories underlying the instructional coaching program; and
- + The use of data and reflection to improve instruction.

D. BUSINESS CONTROLLER

P. Costa presented the monthly written report of the business controller, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein, highlighting:

- + Revenues and expenses remain substantially in line with the budget, with a projected budgetary surplus;
- + Student enrollment; and
- + The development of the 2022-23 budget.

SECTION III: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

MOTION:
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SECOND:
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VOTE:

Resolution 220215.04 Approval of Reports

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at

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Birney accepts the report of the CEO of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney and all documents submitted thereby, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney accepts the report of American Paradigm Schools and all documents submitted thereby, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby reviews and accepts the Financial Report of Peter Costa of Santilli & Thomson and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the Treasurer’s Report and the documents presented by Peter Costa to the board.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

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Resolution 220215.05 Professional Services Contract/s Resolution

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

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

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

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
Insectarium and Butterfly Pavilion, Inc.	\$70,000.00	Science teaching services

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Dr. Covello</i>	<i>Reported upon the proposed services of Insectarium and Butterfly Pavilion</i>

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Resolution R220215.06 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 CEO is authorized to execute any document or delegate any task necessary to effectuate this resolution.

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
None	None	None

MOTION:
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SECOND:
BLS
VOTE:
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 FAIL

Resolution 220215.07 Human Resources Resolution

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney accepts the Human Resources changes, modifications, and additions, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Dr. Covello</i>	<i>Reported upon the proposed human resources changes</i>

Upon Motion by R. Felder, Seconded by E. Bowman, the Board voted to amend the agenda to add Resolution 220215.08, which reflects a matter that has arisen within the past 24 hours. A copy of this amended agenda shall be posted on Lindley Academy’s website within 24 hours of this meeting.

Upon Motion by R. Howard, Seconded by E. Bowman, the Board voted to enter into executive session at 7:04 pm to discuss engage in quasi-judicial deliberations and discuss confidential matters regarding Resolution 220215.08.

Upon Motion by E. Bowman, Seconded by B. Saunders, the Board voted to adjourn from executive session at 7:17 pm.

R. Felder left the meeting at approximately 7:10 pm.

MOTION:
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VOTE:
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Resolution 220215.08 Expulsion of Student DC

RESOLVED, student DC is permanently expelled from Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney, effective February 15, 2022;

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Board of Trustees on file with Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney and the record of the February 15, 2022 formal expulsion hearing of DC (“Hearing Record”) are adopted; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Hearing Record is made a part of DC’s

permanent record.

By Roll Call Vote:

Lisa Johnson — *aye*

Ana Christina Melhor — *absent*

Barbara Saunders — *aye*

Regina Felder — *absent*

Evette Bowman — *aye*

Reginald Howard — *aye*

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Board</i>	<i>Discussed Resolution 220215.08 during executive session</i>

B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.
- GRADUATION: JUNE 8, 2022 AT 5:00 P.M. (RAIN DATE: JUNE 9, 2022 AT 5:00 P.M.)

ADJOURNMENT AT 7:18 P.M.

MOTION:

BLS

SECOND:

EB

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL
