

LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY

900 W. LINDLEY AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19141

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

DATE & TIME:
JANUARY 20, 2026
6:00 P.M.

AGENDA

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 _____ P.M. My name is Reginald Howard. I am the President of this Board of Trustees, and I will facilitate this meeting.

This meeting is being held via video 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:
Reginald Howard — President Sandra Farmer — Vice President Anita Vega-Kaiser — Secretary Barbara L. Saunders — Treasurer Regina Felder — Trustee Evette Alliston — Trustee	Dr. Margery Covello, CEO Nancy White, Principal Ashley Redfearn, CEO, APS Kristine Magargee, Chief Academic Officer, APS Scott Kramer, Chief Talent Officer, APS Samuel Mercanti, Santilli & Thomson, LLC Abigail Lipow, Esq.
Board Members Absent:	

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION BY REGINALD HOWARD

I'd like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that ____ the Board of Trustees [did/did not] meet in Executive Session.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:	Resolution 260120.01 Approval of the January 20, 2026 Agenda				
SECOND:	RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the January 20, 2026 Agenda.				
VOTE: ☐ PASS ☐ FAIL	<i>Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:</i> <table><tr><th>Who</th><th>What</th></tr><tr><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Who	What		
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D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:	Resolution 260120.02 Approval of the December 2, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes				
SECOND:	RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the Minutes of the December 2, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney.				
VOTE: ☐ PASS ☐ FAIL	<i>Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:</i> <table><tr><th>Who</th><th>What</th></tr><tr><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Who	What		
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SECTION II: REPORTS

A. COMMUNITY COMMENT

Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)

Good evening. My name is Abigail Lipow, 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>

A. LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY CEO

B. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS CEO

C. BUSINESS CONTROLLER

SECTION III: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

Resolution 260120.03 Approval of Reports

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at 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 Samuel Mercanti of Santilli & Thomson and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the Treasurer's Report and the documents presented by Samuel Mercanti to the board.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

Resolution 260120.04 Election and Appointment of Trustee

RESOLVED, RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School hereby ratifies and approves the election and appointment of Dr. Kathleen Taylor as a Trustee.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
<i>Oath of Office</i>	<i>I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.</i>

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

Resolution 260120.05 Human Resources

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the human resources changes, as presented.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

Resolution 260120.06 Approval of Audit Report

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby accepts and approves the independent financial audit report for the year ended June 30, 2025, as presented.

By Roll Call:

Reginald Howard –
Sandra Farmer –
Anita Vega-Kaiser –
Barbara L. Saunders –
Regina Felder –
Evette Alliston –

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

B. UPCOMING EVENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: FEBRUARY 17, 2026 AT 6PM

ADJOURNMENT AT

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL