

LINDLEY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AT BIRNEY

900 W. LINDLEY AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19141

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL

DATE & TIME:
SEPTEMBER 15, 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 Evette Alliston — Secretary Dr. Kathleen Taylor – Treasurer Regina Felder — Trustee Dr. Kaitlin Moran - 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 [on (date) for the purposes of ____].

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:	Resolution 260915.01 Approval of the September 15, 2026 Agenda				
SECOND:	RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the September 15, 2026 Agenda.				
VOTE: ☐ PASS ☐ FAIL	Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment: <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 260915.02 Approval of the August 18, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes				
SECOND:	RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves the Minutes of the August 18, 2026 meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney.				
VOTE: ☐ PASS ☐ FAIL	Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment: <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:

Resolution 260915.03 Approval of Reports

SECOND:

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

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

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:

Resolution 260915.04 Title I Schoolwide Comprehensive Plan

SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby approves of the Title I Schoolwide Comprehensive Plan and its submission to the Pennsylvania Department of Education, as required.

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

MOTION:

Resolution 260915.05 Public Bidding

SECOND:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney hereby authorizes Chief Executive Officer Dr. Margery Covello, to solicit and publicly bid, negotiate with prospective contractors, and enter into an agreement for repair of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney's boiler on behalf of the Board, subject to the limitations set forth below;

VOTE:
☐ PASS
☐ FAIL

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Corporation hereby authorizes and empowers the Chief Executive Officer, or the CEO's duly authorized designee, in consultation with General Counsel, to:

1. Publicly bid and solicit proposals for the boiler repair project, including issuing bid solicitations, specifications, requests for proposals, and related procurement documents;
2. Evaluate and negotiate with prospective contractors and vendors concerning the boiler repair;
3. Select the most competitive eligible bidder approve the final scope of work for the Project, provided that the total contract amount, including any authorized amendments or change orders, does not exceed Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) without further approval of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney;
4. Execute and deliver on behalf of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney any document reasonably necessary to carry out the boiler repair project, provided the aggregate amount does not exceed \$250,000;
5. Take all other actions reasonably necessary or appropriate to implement this Resolution and complete the authorized procurement and contracting process.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive Officer shall exercise the foregoing authority in accordance with the authorization of the Board of Trustees of Lindley Academy Charter School at Birney, applicable law, state and local procurement requirements, and any applicable policies or procedures.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of the Board of Trustees are authorized and directed to take such further actions and execute such additional documents as may be reasonably necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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

B. UPCOMING EVENTS

- NEXT BOARD MEETING: OCTOBER 20, 2026 AT 6PM

ADJOURNMENT AT

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

[] PASS

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