TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

6201 KEYSTONE STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19135

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:
ZOOM MEETING

DATE & TIME:
OCTOBER 21, 2026
6:00 P.M.

Agenda

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER

Opening Colloquy

This meeting of the Tacony Academy Charter School Board of Trustees is hereby called to order. The time is _____ p.m. My name is Barbara L. Saunders. 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:
Barbara L. Saunders Lionel S. Archer, Jr. Dr. Zakia Gates Staci Capozio Dr. Richard Levy Michelle Campellone **Board Members Absent:**	Naimah Wimberly Ashley Redfearn Kristine Magargee Scott Kramer Samuel Mercanti Michael Thomson Dean Krebs, Esq.

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION *BY BARBARA L. SAUNDERS*

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:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

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R261021.01 Approval of the October 21, 2026 Agenda

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the October 21, 2026 Agenda.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	*What*

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

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R261021.02 Minutes of the September 16, 2026 Meeting

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of the September 16, 2026 meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	*What*

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 Tacony Academy 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.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	*What*

A. TACONY ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL CEO
B. AMERICAN PARADIGM SCHOOLS CEO
C. BUSINESS CONTROLLER
D. GENERAL COUNSEL

SECTION III: OLD BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

MOTION:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

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R261021.03 Report of the Business Controller

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy 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:

Who	*What*

MOTION:

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SECOND:

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VOTE:

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R261021.04 Human Resources Resolution

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Tacony Academy Charter School accepts the Human Resources changes, modifications, and additions, as presented.

HIRES / RETURN TO SERVICE/ POSITION CHANGE/RATE CHANGE		
NAME	**TITLE**	**START DATE**
Zoe Hwang (new hire)	History Teacher (ES)	10/14/2026

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS / LOA		
NAME	**TITLE**	**EFFECTIVE DATE**
Nermein AbdelSalam (LOA)	Classroom Teacher (ES), Kindergarten	10/5/2026
Valeria Nikolieff (LOA)	SPED Teacher (HS)	10/14/2026
Thomas Bell (termination)	Dean (HS)	10/20/2026

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

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R261021.04 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**
Elliot-Lewis	$62,900	HVAC Project
Brett DiNovi	ParaProfessional/Instructional Aide: $30.00/hr	Staffing Services

	RBT (40 hr cert): $33.00/hr Teacher - Non Certified (Long Term Subs) Emergency Cert: $40.00/hr Teacher - Non Certified (LTS) Emergency Cert - SpEd Experience: $42.00/hr Teacher – Certified: $45.00/hr School Nurse – CAN: $31.00/hr School Nurse – LPN: $50.00/hr School Nurse – RN: $60.00/hr	
Robert Ganter Contractors, Inc.	$54,500	Roof Repair Project
BSI Construction, LLC	$21,754.05	Roof Repair Project Construction Manager services

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

Who	***What***

B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT BOARD MEETING: NOVEMBER 18, 2026 AT 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT AT _____PM

MOTION:

SECOND:

VOTE:

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