

KEYSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
4521 Longshore Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19135
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2023
7:00 PM
BY: ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
AGENDA

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER

Opening Colloquy

This Board of Trustees meeting of the Keystone Academy Charter School Board of Trustees is hereby called to Order. The time is ____ pm. My name is Gretchen Alston. I am the President of this Board of Trustees, and I will facilitate this meeting.

This is a public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Keystone Academy Charter School that was properly advertised pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act. 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 pm 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 legal 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 by Daniel H. Saidel, Esq.:

Gretchen Alston - President	“GA”
Fred Phelps - Vice President	“FP”
Alma Diggs - Treasurer	“AD”
Angela Epperson - Secretary	“AE”
Marie McCarthy - Member	“MM”
Tina Peterson - Member	“TP”

Board Members Present:	By Invitation: Non-Board Members:
	Dr. Claudia Lyles, Chief Executive Officer Daniel H. Saidel, Esq. Michael Danyo, Finance - Santilli & Thomson Michael Thomson, Finance – Santilli & Thomson Dr. Kathryn Makar, Chief Academic Officer

Board Members Absent:	
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B. Announcement of Executive Session – Mr. Daniel Saidel

1. I would like to state, for the purposes of the Minutes of this meeting, that the Board of Trustees did not meet in Executive Session prior to this meeting.

OR

2. I would like to state, for purposes of the Minutes of this meeting that on November 16, 2023, the Board of Trustees met in Executive Session for the following purposes under 65 P.S. § 708:

() Certain Employee Issues. To discuss any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the agency, or former public officer or employee, provided, however, that the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected may request, in writing, that the matter or matters be discussed at an open meeting. The agency's decision to discuss such matters in executive session shall not serve to adversely affect the due process rights granted by law, including those granted by Title 2 (relating to administrative law and procedure).

() Labor Relations. To hold information, strategy and negotiation sessions related to labor relations and/or arbitration.

() Purchase or Lease of Real Property. To consider the purchase or lease of real property up to the time an option to purchase or lease the real property is obtained or up to the time an agreement to purchase or lease such property is obtained if the agreement is obtained directly without an option.

() Consultation with Professional Advisor or Attorney. To consult with its attorney or other professional advisor regarding information or strategy in connection with litigation or with issues on which identifiable complaints are expected to be filed.

() Discuss Confidential Matters. To review and discuss agency business which, if conducted in public, would violate a lawful privilege, or lead to the disclosure of information or confidentiality protected by law, including matters related to the initiation and conduct of investigations of possible or certain violations of the law and quasi-judicial deliberations.

Additional Notes for Minutes of Meeting:

C. Approval of Agenda

MOTION | **Resolution 23111601**
SECOND | **Approval of the Agenda By: Mrs. Gretchen Alston, Board President**
VOTE: |
[] PASS | RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School
[] FAIL | hereby approves this Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

D. Approval of Minutes

MOTION | **Resolution 23111602**
SECOND | **Approval of the October 19, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes By: Mrs. Gretchen Alston, Board President**
VOTE: |
[] PASS | RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School
[] FAIL | hereby approves the Minutes of the October 19, 2023, meeting of the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School.

E. Reports

MOTION | **Resolution 23111603**
SECOND | **Acceptance of the Chief Executive Officer Report By: Dr. Claudia Lyles CEO**
VOTE: |
[] PASS | RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School
[] FAIL | hereby accepts the reports of the CEO and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the written report to the board; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO, or any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to execute any document necessary or delegate any task necessary to effect this resolution in consultation with Daniel H. Saidel, School Solicitor.

MOTION | **Resolution 23111604**
SECOND | **Acceptance of the October 2023 Treasury Report By: Mr. Michael Danyo of Santilli and Thomson**
VOTE: |
[] PASS | RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees Keystone Academy Charter School
[] FAIL | hereby reviews and accepts the October 2023 Financial Reports of Michael Danyo and hereby incorporates into these minutes by reference the financial statements and the documents presented by Michael Danyo to the board; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School accepts the October 2023 *Treasury Report* in the amount of \$135, 902.37 as presented by Michael Danyo of Santilli and Thomson; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO, or any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to execute any document necessary or delegate any task necessary to effect this resolution in consultation with Daniel H. Saidel, School Solicitor.

F. Personnel

MOTION

Resolution 23111605

SECOND

Acceptance of Resignations By: Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO

VOTE:
 PASS
 FAIL

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School hereby accepts the resignations of:

- 1) Lauren Daiutolo, Teacher effective November 30, 2023; and
- 2) Emarie Villanueva, Classroom Aide effective October 17, 2023; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO, or any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to delegate any task necessary to effect this resolution in consultation with Daniel H. Saidel, School Solicitor.

MOTION

Resolution 23111606

SECOND

Approval of Appointments By: Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO

VOTE:
 PASS
 FAIL

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School hereby approves the appointments of:

- 1) Aferdita Muzhaqi to the position of Classroom Aide, retroactive to November 13, 2023, at an annual prorated salary of \$37,800.00;
- 2) Besa Cani-Dunda to the position of Classroom Aide, retroactive to November 14, 2023, at an annual prorated salary of \$37,800.00; and
- 3) Bongani Moyo to the position of Special Education Teacher, retroactive to November 13, 2023, at an annual prorated salary of \$65,166.20 and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO, or any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to delegate any task necessary to effect this resolution in consultation with Daniel H. Saidel, School Solicitor.

G. Student Placement

MOTION

Resolution 23092107

SECOND

Approval of Student Placement By: Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO

VOTE:

PASS

FAIL

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Keystone Academy Charter School hereby approves, retroactive to November 6, 2023, the placement, tuition, and fees for student #10163968 in the amount of \$79,670.50, which is prorated for the 2023-24 school year, at A Step-Up Academy; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Claudia Lyles, CEO, or any of this Board is directed and authorized to delegate any task necessary to effect this resolution in consultation with Daniel H. Sidel, School Solicitor.

Community Comment Colloquy (General Counsel)

Good evening, my name is Daniel H. Sidel, with Sand & Sidel, PC, and General Counsel to the Keystone 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 that you might supplement your comment with 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.

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

H. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED KEYSTONE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING IS TO BE HELD BY ZOOM ON DECEMBER 21, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

SECOND

VOTE:

PASS

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