

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Monday, July 22, 2024 – 6:30 PM

I. Call to Order by Board Chair – 6:33 PM

II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right to the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. On the rules of this act, Elysian Charter School has caused notice of this meeting by publicizing the date, time and place, of the regularly scheduled meeting in the Public Notice Section of the Jersey Journal and posted on the Elysian Charter School website at www.ecsnj.org and at the Elysian Charter School located at 1460 Garden Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030. Formal action will take place at this meeting.

III. Roll Call

Voting Members	Role	Term Ends	Present	Absent
a. Amanda Gordon	Board Chair	27-Mar	Х	
b. Chris DeFilippis	Board Vice Chair	25-Mar	Х	
c. Daniel Glynn	Board Trustee	25-Mar	Х	
d. Jaime Marchand	Board Trustee	26-Mar		Х
e. Bernadette Reagan	Board Treasurer	25-Mar	Х	
f. Eduardo Gonzalez	Board Trustee	26-Mar		Х
g. Serena Trinkwalder	Board Trustee	26-Mar	Х	
h. Diane DeSombre	Board Trustee	27-Mar	Х	
i. Michael Kuziw	Board Trustee	27-Mar	Х	

Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Susan Grierson	Director	Χ	
Dr. Brian Falkowski	School Business Administrator	Χ	
Darcy Minsky	Staff Representative	Х	

IV. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

1. Motion for Elysian Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the **June 10, 2024** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Amanda Gordon		Χ				Serena Trinkwalder		Χ			
Chris DeFilippis	1	Χ				Eduardo Gonzalez					Χ
Daniel Glynn		Х				Diane DeSombre		Х			
Jaime Marchand					Χ	Michael Kuziw		Χ			
Bernadette Reagan	2	Χ									

V. Board Business

VI. Reports

- 1. **Director's Report** Presented by Susan Grierson
- 2. Faculty Representative's Report Darcy Minsky presented her update.

VII. Committee Reports

1. Personnel – Amanda Gordon spoke about the personnel motions on this agenda.

- 2. Advocacy Chris DeFilippis updated the Board on a Charter Summary and PILOT.
- 3. Facilities Brian Falkowski updated the Board on the Cleaning Bid.
- 4. Finance -

VIII. Public Comment - none

IX. Adjourn Public Session and Open Closed Session – N/A

X. Motions for Approval

1. Finance

- a. <u>Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Report</u>: To approve the <u>Preliminary</u> Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for <u>June 2024</u>, as per the attached. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(a), the Elysian Charter School of Hoboken Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, as of <u>June 2024</u>, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the school's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- b. <u>Transfers</u>: To approve line-item transfers up to June 30, 2024
- c. Bills List: To approve the bills list from June 11, 2024 July 22, 2024.
- d. <u>Payroll</u>: To approve the following payrolls:
 - June 14, 2024 \$179,211.51
 - June 28, 2024 \$142,484.03
 - July 15, 2024 \$22,076.58
- e. New Jersey Schools Insurance Group (NJSIG): RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the NJ School Insurance Group Educational Risk & Insurance Consortium North Jersey Indemnity and Trust Agreement Resolution to renew membership, effective July 1, 2024 through July 1, 2027 as per the attached.
- f. BE IT RESOLVED, that Elysian Charter School held a bid opening for Custodial Services on Thursday, June 27, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Urban Maid Green was the lowest bidder;

WHEREAS, Elysian Charter School has had prior negative experience with said bidder; WHEREAS, Elysian Charter School per N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4 disqualifies **UMG**;

WHEREAS, Able Cleaning LLC was the 2nd lowest bidder and the lowest qualified bidder; NOW LET IT BE RESOLVED, that Elysian Charter School awards the Custodial Services bid to **Able Cleaning LLC**.

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Amanda Gordon	2	Х				Serena Trinkwalder		Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Х				Eduardo Gonzalez					Χ
Daniel Glynn		Х				Diane DeSombre		Х			
Jaime Marchand					Х	Michael Kuziw		Х			
Bernadette Reagan	1	Х									

2. Contracts

a. To approve the following seminar classes for the Fall semester to be paid out in 4 installments:

	Teacher	Seminar	Amount
a.	Kinga Kurcaba	Engineering	\$3,100
b.	Iris Ponce	Entrepreneurship	\$3,100
c.	Rosalinda Ponce	Fibers & Clay Creations	\$6,200
d.	Sophia Schaefer	Strategy Board Games	\$3,100
e.	Stephen Crocco	STEM Engineering	\$3,100

f.	Rosa Roberto	Photography & Slam Poetry	\$6,200
			\$24,800

- b. To approve the proposal with **Luiz Almeida** to revamp Elysian's website as per the attached recommendation from the Director, at a cost of \$9,260, to go live on January 2025.
- c. To approve the contract with XTEL for an additional service concerning **Cyber Security Training**; totaling \$1,950, which will be covered by NJSIG Safety Grant funding.
- d. To approve the quote with **Dreambox** for grades K-2nd at a cost of \$4,450 as attached.

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Amanda Gordon	2	Х				Serena Trinkwalder	1	Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Х				Eduardo Gonzalez					Х
Daniel Glynn		Х				Diane DeSombre		Х			
Jaime Marchand					Х	Michael Kuziw		Х			
Bernadette Reagan		Х									

3. Buildings & Grounds - none

4. Personnel

- a. To ratify the salary and contract renewal for the following staff members for FY25 as attached:
 - Lenore Silver
 - Rosalinda Ponce
- b. To approve **Batia Krinsky**, \$1,500 stipend for Professional Development, to be paid out on August 30, 2024.
- c. To approve **Alexander Tedesco** for additional summer hours at a rate of \$25/hr for school maintenance support, not to exceed 30 hours a week/ \$750 a week, to be paid out on August 30, 2024.
- d. To approve **Samantha Leone** for SPED Tutoring and extended school year for classified students; 8 hours/week, at an hourly rate of \$50, not to exceed \$2,400, to be paid out on August 30, 2024.
- e. To approve **Lynn Kluepfel** to attend to Professional Development Virtual workshop provided by the Institute for Multi-Sensory Education, total \$1,500.
- f. To approve **Susan Grierson** for a merit bonus at \$5,000 and an additional \$4,000 for Exemplary Performance.
- g. To approve the resignation of **Dawn Rodriguez**, permanent substitute, effective June 30, 2024.

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Chris DeFilippis	1	Х				Eduardo Gonzalez					Χ
Daniel Glynn		Х				Diane DeSombre		Χ			
Jaime Marchand					Х	Michael Kuziw		Х			
Bernadette Reagan		Χ									

5. Curriculum/Special Education - none

6. Policy/Governance/Miscellaneous

a. To approve the submission of the 2023-2024 Annual Report to the NJDOE, as attached.

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Amanda Gordon		Χ				Serena Trinkwalder		Χ			
Chris DeFilippis		Х				Eduardo Gonzalez					Χ
Daniel Glynn	2	Х				Diane DeSombre		Х			
Jaime Marchand					Х	Michael Kuziw		Х			

Bernadette Reagan	1	Х					

XI. New Business

1. To approve the 4-year quote for **EnVision Math** professional and student development software at a total cost of \$13,186.

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Amanda Gordon	2	Х				Serena Trinkwalder		Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Х				Eduardo Gonzalez					Х
Daniel Glynn	1	Х				Diane DeSombre		Х			
Jaime Marchand					Х	Michael Kuziw		Х			
Bernadette Reagan		Х									

XII. Closing Comments - none

XIII. Information - Next Board Meeting:

Day	Date	Time	Notes				
Monday	August 26, 2024	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting				

XIV. Adjournment – 7:06 PM

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Amanda Gordon		Х				Serena Trinkwalder		Х			
Chris DeFilippis	1	Х				Eduardo Gonzalez					Χ
Daniel Glynn	2	Х				Diane DeSombre		Х			
Jaime Marchand					Х	Michael Kuziw		Χ			
Bernadette Reagan		Х									