

# **Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes** Monday, October 28, 2024 - 6:30 PM

#### I. Call to Order by Board Chair – 6:31 PM

#### **Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law** II.

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	X	
Gabby Rodriguez	Staff Representative	X	

#### IV. **Acceptance of Meeting Minutes**

1. Motion for Elysian Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the September 23, 2024 meeting.

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

#### ٧. **Board Business - none**

#### VI. Reports

- 1. Director's Report
  - a. Presentation: NJSLA Scores Presented by Susan Grierson
- 2. Faculty Representative's Report Presented by Gabby Rodriguez

#### VII. **Committee Reports**

- 1. **Personnel** Amanda Gordon and Suzanne Heyman discussed club enhancements,
- 2. **Advocacy** Diane DeSombre and Chris DeFilippis discussed the future presentation on how ECS is funded. PILOT update was also given.
- 3. **Facilities** Eduardo González updated the Board on the completed summer projects and also color coordinated t-shirts.
- 4. Finance Bernadette Reagan updated the Board on the September BvA.

### VIII. Public Comment

### IX. Adjourn Public Session and Open Closed Session

### X. Motions for Approval

### 1. Finance

- a. <u>Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Report</u>: To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for <u>September 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>September 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 September 30, 2024.
- c. Bills List: To approve the bills list from September 23, 2024 October 28, 2024.
- d. <u>Payroll</u>: To approve the following payrolls:
  - September 30, 2024 \$ 148,757.49
  - October 15, 2024 \$ 144,413.61

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

### 2. Contracts

a. To approve the agreement with **Bright Horizons**, Steve & Kate's Camp for Winter and Spring Break, as attached.

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

### 3. Buildings & Grounds - none

### 4. Personnel

- a. To approve the following Substitute Teachers, at a per diem rate of \$150.
  - Radhika Jinsiwale, effective November 1, 2024
  - Dawn Rodriguez, effective October 4, 2024.
- b. To approve **Rosalinda Ponce**, additional Role of Substitute Teacher, at a per diem rate of \$150 as needed, effective October 21, 2024.
- c. To approve the following Staff Stipends for the Camp Mason Overnight Field Trip, to be paid in full, on October 30, 2024 in the amount of \$100.

- Field Trip October 10 11
  - 1. Ian Gray
  - 2. Batia Krinsky
  - 3. Joshua Landera
  - 4. Sophia Schaefer
- Field Trip October 17 18
  - 1. Diane Murray
  - 2. Ian Gray
  - 3. Sophia Traficante
  - 4. Carolyn Yuhas
  - 5. Amanda Johnson
- d. The approve Staff Stipends for the After School Enrichment Clubs Fall Session in the amount of \$32,400 to be paid on December 13, 2024, list attached.

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

## 5. **Curriculum/Special Education**

a. To approve the following upcoming field trips:

TRIP LOCATION	GR	DATE OF TRIP	EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE	COST
Hoboken Historical Museum	5M	10/17/24	History and Cultural	Trip Cost \$75
Hoboken Historical Museum	5C	10/18/24	History and Cultural	Trip Cost \$75
Princess and the Pea - New Vic Theater	1	10/24/24	Arts Enrichment	Trip cost \$88 / Transportation \$765.15
Ragtime - City Center	6, 7 & Dance Seminar	11/07/24	Arts Enrichment	Trip cost \$230 / Transportation \$1,646.98
Liberty Hall at Kean University	5	11/19/24	History	Trip cost \$398 / Transportation \$
The Morgan Library	6	12/06/24	Art and History	Trip cost \$300 /Transportation \$1,048.96
Ailey 2 - City Center	3,4, & Dance Seminar	12/12/24	Arts Enrichment	Trip cost \$230 / Transportation \$2,920.30
The Morgan Library	6	12/13/24	Art and History	Trip cost \$300 / Transportation \$1,1048.96
9/11 Memorial Museum	8	12/18/24	History	Trip cost \$150 / Transportation \$903.45
Philadelphia Trip	6	03/28/25	History	Round Trip \$1,330.48
Museum Village	6	04/24/25	History	Trip Cost \$13/per person / Transportation \$1,023.94
Meadowlands Environmental Center	1	05/15/25	Science and Nature	Trip Cost \$612 / Transportation \$885.56
Camp Mason	6 & 7	05/27/25	Teamwork / Nature	Round Trip Transportation \$2,375

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

## 6. Policy/Governance/Miscellaneous - none

## XI. Closing Comments - none

## **XII.** Information - Next Board Meeting:

Day	Date	Time	Notes
Monday	November 25, 2024	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting

## XIII. Adjournment – 7:27 PM

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

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