

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
CHARTER SCHOOL

4601 W. GIRARD AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19131

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

LOCATION:

ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL DUE TO ONGOING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

DATE & TIME

MARCH 24, 2022

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

SECTION I: CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Opening Colloquy

This March 24, 2022 meeting of the Global Leadership Academy Charter School Board of Trustees is hereby called to order. The time is 6:12 p.m. My name is Lorenzo Hough. I serve as President to this Board of Trustees, and I will facilitate this meeting.

In order to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the school community from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting is being held via teleconference. This is a public meeting that was properly noticed in the Metro Philadelphia Newspaper 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 in Attendance:
Dr. Naomi Johnson-Booker – CEO (Non-Voting Member) Mr. Lorenzo Hough (“LH”) – President Mr. David Poindexter (“DP”) – Vice President Mr. Michael Campbell (“MC”) – Treasurer Ms. Monika Davis (“MD”) – Secretary Ms. Chatara Benson (“CB”)	Dr. Tamika Evans Shoshana Tyler – Principal Dr. Lisa Bell-Chiles Michael Willis Kimberly Kennedy Linda Thomas Orilan Codrington Rochelle Singleton Trina Jones Bar-Rae Choice Michael Bly – Global Academies Ms. Shanice Maloney Mr. Richard Walker Michael McLeish – Business Controller David Annecharico, Esq. Dean Krebs, Esq.
Board Members Absent Mr. Eugene Golson (“EG”)	

B. DISCLOSURE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

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: CB SECOND: DP VOTE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PASS <input type="checkbox"/> FAIL	<p>R220324.01 Approval of the March 24, 2022 Agenda</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Global Leadership Academy Charter School hereby approves the March 24, 2022 Agenda.</p> <p><i>Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:</i></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;"><i>Who</i></th> <th style="width: 50%;"><i>What</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>Board</i></td> <td><i>General discussion</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>	<i>Board</i>	<i>General discussion</i>
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D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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R220324.02 Approval of February 24, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Global Leadership Academy Charter School hereby approves the Minutes of the February 24, 2022 meeting of the Board of Trustees of Global Leadership Academy Charter School.

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

<i>Who</i>	<i>What</i>
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SECTION II: REPORTS

A. JOINT BOARD MEETING: GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL AND GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL SOUTHWEST AT HUEY

i. GLOBAL ACADEMIES NETWORK SUPPORT TEAM REPORT

• NETWORK SCHOOLS REPORT

1. *Mr. Richard Walker—Director of Information Technology at Global Leadership Academy Charter School*
 - I. *Informed the Boards that GLA received a PhilaConnectEd grant of \$20,000 to provide digital support for student caregivers at both schools*
2. *Mr. Michael Bly—President of Global Academies*
 - I. *Informed the Boards that he did a recent fundraiser and was able to raise \$1000.*
3. *Mr. Bar-rae Choice—Chief of School Operations of Global Academies*
 - I. *Discussed with the Boards the current capital improvements projects, including:*
 - i. *An automatic gate at GLASW’s parking lot; and*
 - ii. *That there were no Spring projects at GLA; however, the school is getting ready for the summer and will provide an update at the next meeting.*
 - II. *Reminded the Board that the lead times are a logistical issue for projects;*
 - III. *Discussed ongoing transportation difficulties due to driver shortages; and*
 - IV. *Provided updates regarding COVID-19 testing.*

4. *Dr. Naomi Johnson-Booker—CEO of Global Leadership Academy Charter School*

- I. *Informed the Boards that the schools are actively looking for nurses, maintenance, instructional, SPED, and foreign language personnel.*

B. COMMUNITY COMMENT

NONE

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<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>

C. BOARD PRESIDENT – LORENZO HOUGH, PRESIDENT

i. Mr. Lorenzo Hough—President of the Board

- *Expressed appreciation to the school and that he was happy to see students coming back to the facility*

D. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER – DR. NAOMI JOHNSON-BOOKER, CEO

i. Ms. Shoshana Tyler—Principal of Global Leadership Academy Charter School

- *Informed the Board that i-Ready testing occurred in February and shared with the Board the results, which included:*
 1. *For Reading, the goal was to increase Tier 1 and decrease Tier 3 by 10% and they did so by getting 11% each;*
 2. *For Math, the goal was to increase Tier 1 by 10% and decreased Tier 3 by 10%. While only 7% were increased from Tier 1, Tier 3 decreased by 14%.*
 3. *Growth goals were 50% which the school fell just short of, with 49% in Reading and 43% in Math.*
- *Discussed with the Board the school’s culture and climate, noting Black History Month activities, restorative circles, and using Branching Minds to keep track of data;*
- *Discussed with the Board programming and partnership opportunities, as presented;*
- *Discussed with the Board cultural arts ongoing at the school, including a Black History showcase;*
- *Discussed with the Board fundraising activities and upcoming student excursions to NYC where they will visit Apollo theater and other historic sites.*
- *Discussed with Board technology updates occurring at the school.*

MR. EUGENE GOLSON, TRUSTEE, JOINED THE MEETING AT 7:14PM

E. FINANCIAL REPORT – SANTILLI & THOMSON, LLC / MICHAEL CAMPBELL, TREASURER

i. Mr. Michael McLeish—Santilli & Thomson, LLC

- *Informed the Board that Gov. Wolfe is planning his educational budget that will include \$370M cuts to charter schools which will impact both cyber and brick and mortar schools. Informed the Board that Gov. Wolfe wants to implement tiers for SPED subsidy, putting a cap on the amount of funds a charter school receives for a SPED student based on their classification. For instance, charter schools currently receive ~\$32k for any classification; however, under Gov. Wolfe's plan, that amount could be reduced to ~18k; for certain classifications.*
- *Informed the Board that Gov. Wolfe also wants more regulations for charter schools, including transparency, which Mr. McLeish was not against since the school is in compliance.*
- *Reviewed February financial reports with the Board, previously disseminated to the Board.*
 1. *Informed the Board that cash was at ~\$906k, representing 29 days, and that the school needed 40 days by June 30th;*
 2. *Informed the Board he did not anticipate SDP making any material adjustments for the end of the school year; and*
 3. *Highlighted the disbursements totaling ~\$500k*

F. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT – CHATARA BENSON, BOARD MEMBER / DR. NAOMI JOHNSON-BOOKER, CEO

i. Dr. Naomi Johnson-Booker—CEO of Global Leadership Academy Charter School

- *Expressed appreciation to Ms. Chatara Benson and Mr. Michael Bly for matching fundraising, with Mr. Michael Bly having also donated \$2000 to the annual Gala;*
- *Informed the Board that the Fundraising committee is meeting weekly;*
- *Informed the Board that the Gala and Golf Outing will be in October;*
- *Discussed with the Board the Spring Bazaar in April;*
- *Requested that Mr. McLeish include foundation amounts in monthly reports; and*
- *Informed the Board that they were in the process of submitting an application for a high school; two buildings have been reviewed.*

G. GENERAL COUNSEL – SAND & SAIDEL, P.C.

i. Mr. David Annecharico, Esq.

- *Discussed with the Board the recently promulgated regulations by the state;*
- *Reminded the Board of their obligations to complete the financial interest forms;*

ii. Mr. Dean Krebs, Esq.

- *Discussed with the Board the purpose of Resolution R220324.07 below.*

SECTION III: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS

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R220324.03 Report of Michael McLeish of Santilli & Thomson, LLC, Business Controller

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Global Leadership Academy Charter School accepts the Financial Report of Michael McLeish of Santilli & Thomson, LLC, Business Controller, and all documents submitted by Santilli & Thomson, LLC, which shall be incorporated into the record of this meeting.

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<i>M. McLeish</i>	<i>As discussed above</i>

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R220324.04 Human Resources Resolution

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

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Global Leadership Academy Charter School accepts the personnel staffing table, as presented.

NEW HIRES / RETURN TO SERVICE		
NAME	TITLE	START DATE
Shana Conyon (LOA Return)	Instructional Assistant	3/2/22

TERMINATIONS / RESIGNATIONS/ LOA		
NAME	TITLE	EFFECTIVE DATE
None	None	None

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R220324.05 Professional Services Contract/s Resolution

RESOLVED, that the Professional Services Contract/s and associated report/s listed below are hereby accepted and ratified;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Naomi Johnson-Booker, CEO is authorized and directed to negotiate contract/s for the professional services described below, in consultation with the Business Controller and General Counsel;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Global Academies is hereby designated as Global Leadership Academy Charter School’s agent and payment processor, subject to the Board’s independent oversight, and for purposes of effectuating this resolution; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to execute any document necessary to effectuate this resolution.

Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
None	None	None

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>

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R220324.06 Purchase Contract/s Resolution

RESOLVED, that the Purchase Contract/s and associated report/s listed below are hereby accepted and ratified;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Naomi Johnson-Booker, CEO is authorized and directed to negotiate terms and conditions for the Purchase Contract/s described below, in consultation with the Business Controller and General Counsel;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Global Academies is hereby designated as Global Leadership Academy Charter School’s agent and payment processor, subject to the Board’s independent oversight, and for purposes of effectuating this resolution; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any officer of this Board is directed and authorized to execute any document necessary to effectuate this resolution.

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Contractor	Amount	Comment: Terms and Conditions
<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>

Notes of Discussion / Advance Regulatory and Financial Comment:

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<i>None</i>	<i>None</i>

R220324.07 Approval of Transportation Memorandum of Understanding and Plan

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Global Leadership Academy Charter School hereby ratifies and accepts the Transportation Memorandum of Understanding and Plan, as presented.

FURTHER RESOLVED, Dr. Naomi Johnson-Booker, CEO, in consultation with General Counsel, is authorized to execute any document or delegate any task necessary to effectuate this resolution.

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B. DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING IS TO BE HELD ON APRIL 28, 2022 AT 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT @ 8:12PM

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