



# Learning Community Charter School

## Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

### Thursday, May 13, 2021 – 6:30 PM

**I. Call to Order by Board Secretary – 6:32 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, Learning Community 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 distributed to Jersey City Public School District, Municipal Clerk and to the Public and posted at the Learning Community Charter School located at 2495 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07304. Formal action will take place at this meeting.

**III. Roll Call**

Voting Members	Role (Term Expires)	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Angela Bennett-Glock	President, Parent Member (4/2023)	X		
Keith Donath	Vice President, Parent Member (4/2023)	X		
Colin Dunn	Treasurer, Community Member (4/2022)	X		
Bertram Okpokwasili	Parent Member (4/2023)	X		
Elizabeth Cain	Community Member (3/2021)	X		
Paula Mahayosnand	Parent Member (5/2022)		X	X – 8:00 PM
Nikhil Puri	Parent Member (6/2022)	X		
Marisa Gerke	Parent Member (6/2022)	X		
Neil Abadie	Community Member (4/2022)	X		
Tara Tymann	Community Member (4/2022)			X – 6:37 PM
Joe George	Parent Member (12/2023)			X – 6:37 PM

Non-Voting Members	Role	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Mr. Brown	Staff Member	X		
TBD	Staff Member	X		

**Also Present**

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Colin Hogan	Head of School	X		
Maureen Rexer	Vice Principal	X		
Brian Falkowski	SBA/Board Secretary	X		

**IV. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda**

Motion for Learning Community Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **May 13, 2021** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Keith Donath	2	X				Paula Mahayosnand				X	
Colin Dunn		X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock		X				Marisa Gerke		X			
Bertram Okpokwasili	1	X				Neil Abadie		X			
Elizabeth Cain		X				Tara Tymann		X			
Joseph George		X									

**V. Public Comment -**

**VI. Presentations**

1. Hybrid Program Update – Colin Hogan/Maureen Rexer

**VII. Board Discussion Topics**

1. Afterschool P&L – N/A (P&L in Dropbox)
2. Retention Report

Retention Type	Board Meeting												Total
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	
	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	
Open Positions	3												3
Resignations	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	3
Terminations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonrenewals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Hires	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Interim Hires	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**VIII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes**

Motion for Learning Community Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the **April 15, 2021** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Keith Donath		X				Paula Mahayosnand					X
Colin Dunn	1	X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock		X				Marisa Gerke	2	X			
Bertram Okpokwasili		X				Neil Abadie		X		X	
Elizabeth Cain		X				Tara Tymann		X			
Joseph George		X									

**IX. Motions for Approval**

**1. Finance**

- a. Board Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Report: To approve the Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Reports for April 2021, as per the attached. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(a), the Learning Community Charter School 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 April 2021, 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. Bills List: To approve the Bills/Check List from April 16, 2021 to May 13, 2021.
- c. Transfers: Approve transfers up April 30, 2021.
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

April 15, 2021  
April 30, 2021

\$ 227,224.56  
\$ 224,080.18

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Keith Donath	1	X				Paula Mahayosnand					X
Colin Dunn		X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock		X				Marisa Gerke		X			
Bertram Okpokwasili	2	X				Neil Abadie		X			
Elizabeth Cain		X				Tara Tymann		X			
Joseph George		X									

**2. Buildings & Grounds**

**3. Personnel**

- a. To approve the following staff for Jags Den at \$50/hour, commencing Friday, May 14, 2021:
  - i. Kelsey Flaharty
  - ii. Jerome Davis
  - iii. Allyson Szecsi
  - iv. Michael Brown
- b. To approve the following staff for SY22:
  - i. Lawrence Bongon, MS Health and PE, MA-20, \$71,313
  - ii. Trinita Brodi, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA teacher, MA-10, \$54,913
  - iii. Laura Baer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, MA-19, \$66,119
- c. To approve the resignation of Ryan Lane, effective 6/18/2021.
- d. To approve the renewal of the following staff for the 21/22 School Year:

Last Name	First Name	Position	Step	Salary
Andujar	Katherine	Classroom Aide	N/A	34,524.06
Antczak	Tatiana	3rd Grade Teacher	BA-4/5	47,168.00
August	John	5th Grade Teacher	MA-13	57,613.00
Bell	Nina	Elementary Art Teacher	BA-1/3	45,958.00
Betancourt	Daniela	MS Spanish Teacher	BA-1/3	45,958.00
Brown	Michael	Instrumental Teacher	BA-9	49,923.00
Buonafide	Joan	MS Science Teacher	MA-29	84,513.00
Cain	Brendan	3rd Grade Teacher	MA-17	62,813.00
Carr	Charlotte	MS Math Teacher	BA-9	49,923.00
Davis	Jerome	Assistant Teacher	N/A	45,274.90
Duffy	Barbara	Speech Therapist	MA-29	84,513.00
Errico	Amanda	MS Social Studies Teacher	MA-4/5	50,818.00
Fitch	Tiffany	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Galella	Melissa	PK Teacher	BA-1/3	45,958.00
Gonzalez	Tabatha	MS Math SPED Teacher	MA-1/3	49,608.00
Guzman	Dana	Math Coach	BA-26	64,690.00
Henderson	Felicia	Kindergarten Teacher	MA-11	55,813.00
Hittner	Nicole	1st Grade Teacher	BA-12	53,063.00
Howell	Regina	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Jaffrey	Meera	Music Teacher	BA-29	80,863.00
Kimble	Andrew	MS Math Teacher	MA-23	78,513.00

Larsen	Irisis	MS Social Studies Teacher	BA-4/5	47,168.00
Lebron	Lia	2nd Grade Teacher	BA-4/5	47,168.00
Lefkowitz	Robby	2nd Grade Teacher	MA-17	62,813.00
MacKenzie	Melissa	School Social Worker	MA-8	52,618.00
Marchesani	Amanda	PK Teacher	MA-23	78,513.00
Marcus	Shauna	1st Grade Teacher	BA-14	54,963.00
McGarry	Christina	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
McGinty	Erin	Kindergarten Teacher	BA-16	57,663.00
Megaro	Stephanie	MS Math SPED Teacher	MA-13	57,613.00
Mineses	Lindsay	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Mulholland	Marc	4th Grade Teacher	MA-6/7	51,718.00
Ortolano	Nicole	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Paleologo	Karena	MS Science Teacher	MA-19	66,113.00
Philemon	Mary	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Porter	Jessica	PK/Kindergarten Master Teacher	BA-14	54,963.00
Rambaran	Neidra	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Romanek	Holly	Elementary Math SPED Teacher	MA-6/7	51,718.00
Russo	Francine	1st Grade Teacher	BA-9	49,923.00
Sardison	Robert	MS Math Teacher	MA-23	78,513.00
Schwartz	Rachel	2nd Grade Teacher	BA-17	59,163.00
Silva	Scott	PE Teacher	BA-19	62,463.00
Silver	Stephanie	MS ELA Teacher	MA-12	56,713.00
Smith	Michelle	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Sonsona	Lorena	Assistant Teacher	N/A	41,063.70
Stimac	Hannah	4th Grade Teacher	BA-1/3	45,958.00
Stover	Elizabeth	Elementary ELA SPED Teacher	MA-12	56,713.00
Szecki	Allyson	Elementary ELA SPED Teacher	MA-10	54,913.00
Tazyk	Joanne	School Counselor	MA-4/5	50,818.00
Van Der Horn	Marie	5th Grade Teacher	BA-21	40,163.00
Washington	Nicole	PK Teacher	MA-21	73,813.00
Westley	Sarah	Reading Specialist	MA-20	71,313.00
Yager	Meghan	Kindergarten Teacher	MA-4/5	50,818.00

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Keith Donath		X				Paula Mahayosnand					X
Colin Dunn		X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock		X				Marisa Gerke		X			
Bertram Okpokwasili		X				Neil Abadie	2	X			
Elizabeth Cain		X		d.		Tara Tymann	1	X			
Joseph George		X									

**4. Curriculum/Special Education**

**5. Policy/Miscellaneous**

**X. Enrollment Report**

Grade	2021	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Wait
	ENR	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	List
		2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	

Pre K	45		45	45	45	44	45	45	45	45	45	45		
K	66		65	66	65	66	64	66	66	66	66	66		
1	66		66	66	66	65	66	66	66	66	66	66		
2	66		65	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66		
3	66		66	66	65	65	66	66	66	66	66	66		
4	66		66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66		
5	66		66	66	66	65	66	66	66	66	66	66		
6	66		69	72	73	74	74	74	74	74	74	75		
7	66		64	64	63	63	63	63	63	63	63	61		
8	66		61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61		
Total	639		633	638	636	635	636	639	639	639	639	638		

**XI. Board Agenda**

**1. Committee Reports**

- a. Finance and Budget – BvA and PPP Loan Updates
- b. Evaluation - none
- c. Facilities – Roof going out to formally bid on Monday. Attorney has reviewed and completed the review.
- d. Policy - none
- e. Green/Sustainability - none

**2. Next Board Meeting: 2021: 6/10**

**XII. Executive Session – 7:32 PM - Personnel Item**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Keith Donath		X				Paula Mahayosnand					X
Colin Dunn		X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock	1	X				Marisa Gerke		X			
Bertram Okpokwasili		X				Neil Abadie		X			
Elizabeth Cain	2	X				Tara Tymann		X			
Joseph George		X									

**XIII. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Regular Session – 8:00 PM**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Keith Donath		X				Paula Mahayosnand					X
Colin Dunn		X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock		X				Marisa Gerke	2	X			
Bertram Okpokwasili		X				Neil Abadie		X			
Elizabeth Cain		X				Tara Tymann	1	X			
Joseph George		x						X			

**XIV. New Business – reminder – Hudson Gives is still going on and LCCS.**

**XV. Public Comment - none**

**XVI. Adjournment – 8:09 PM**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Keith Donath		X				Paula Mahayosnand		X			
Colin Dunn		X				Nikhil Puri		X			
Angela Bennett-Glock		X				Marisa Gerke		X			
Bertram Okpokwasili	2	X				Neil Abadie		X			
Elizabeth Cain	1	X				Tara Tymann		X			
Joseph George		X									

