

**LINK COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD
OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING**

June 28, 2024, 5:00 PM

Virtual Only

**Link Community Charter School
23 Pennsylvania Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07114**

Approved Minutes

LINK COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL MISSION

Link Community Charter School will provide an outstanding elementary and middle school education for learners of all academic abilities by developing the mind, body and spirit through a strong curriculum, experiential learning, immersion in the arts, and an enduring commitment to Core Values; this will allow them to be successful in competitive high schools and become responsible and resourceful citizens who give back to others.

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Link Community Charter School Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Richard Marshall, Board Chair, 5:08pm.

FLAG SALUTE

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE: READING OF THE “SUNSHINE LAW” STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting of the LCCS Board of Trustees, setting forth time, date and location, was provided by placing a notice with the *New Jersey Star Ledger and nj.com, Irvington Herald, East Orange Record, Orange Transcript, and Essex Daily News* on June 18, 2024; by email to the city clerks of the four districts of residence, East Orange, Irvington, and Orange, and the county superintendent of education on June 18, 2024 and by mail on June 18, 2024, to the city clerk of Newark; by posting notice on the school website; and by communicating same to the Board of Trustees.

ROLL CALL

Member	Present	Absent
Barnett, Ms.	√	
Boucaud, Ms.	√	
Daughtry, Ms.	√	
Ebanks, Ms.		√
Fox, Ms.	√	
Key, Mr.	√	
Marshall, Mr.		

IN ATTENDANCE: NON-VOTING STAFF/BOARD ATTORNEY

Maria Pilar Paradiso, Head of School
Debbie Paczkowski, Board Recording Secretary
Bima Baje, School Business Administrator
Leslie Baynes, Chief Operating Officer
Christine Martinez, Esq., Board Attorney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution #062824-01: Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees accepts and approves the agenda for the board meeting on June 28, 2024.

Moved by Mr. Key

Second by Ms. Brown

Vote: Voice; passed unanimously

PRESENTATION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

During the course of the board meeting the Board of Trustees offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of LCCS. The Board reminds those individuals to take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and address and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operation of the LCCS. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered, and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility, nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments. Comments by each member of the public choosing to speak are limited to 3 minutes.

CLOSING OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Seeing there are no members of the public wishing to speak, Mr. Marshall closed public comments.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

None.

HEAD OF SCHOOL

None.

Approval to amend resolution #061724-06 Approval of staff for the 2024 Summer Academy (Rising 5th Grade) and STEM Academy (rising 8th grade)

Resolution #062824-02: Be it Resolved the Board of Trustees approves the updated hiring of the following staff for the Summer Academy and STEM Academy, from July 1, 2024, through July 26, 2024, as recommended by the head of school.

Name	Position	Projected Salary for Full Participation to be prorated accordingly as needed
Ms. Valentin	Instructional Coach – 9 days, ½ day each	\$1,375
Ms. Grisham	Instructor – full program	\$5,500

Moved by Mr. Key
Second by Ms. Fox
Discussion: None
Vote: Roll Call; passed unanimously

Approval of field trip

Resolution #062824-03: Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the following field trip, as recommended by the head of school.

Grade	Trip	Date/Time	Location	Funded by	Transportation
5th Grade Summer Academy	Project USE Lake Wawayanda	Friday, July 19, 2024, 8:15am-3:00pm	885 Warwick Tpke, Hewitt, NJ 07421	LEP	Hired bus

Moved by Ms. Brown
Second by Ms. Fox
Discussion: None
Vote: Roll Call; passed, 1 abstention, Mr. Key

Approval of administrative leave

Resolution #062824-04: Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves a paid administrative leave beginning June 17, 2024 for employee #284, as recommended by the head of school.

Moved by Ms. Daughtry
Second by Ms. Fox
Discussion: None
Vote: Roll Call; passed unanimously

Ratification of resignation

Resolution #062824-05: Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees ratifies the resignation of the following, as recommended by the head of school.

Name	Position	Effective Date
Maisha Brown	Teacher	June 30, 2024
Isabella Meliado	Kindergarten Teacher	June 30, 2024
Christine Lynskey	Special Education Teacher	June 30, 2024

Moved by Ms. Daughtry
Second by Ms. Fox
Discussion: None
Vote: Roll Call; passed unanimously

Resolution #062824-07: Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves Horizon Staffing as providers of substitute nursing staff for 2024 summer program, as recommended by the head of school.

Moved by Ms. Daughtry
Second by Ms. Barnett
Discussion: None
Vote: Roll Call; passed unanimously

Finance Committee

None.

Approval of food service management contract

Resolution #062824-08: See attached Resolution.

Moved by Ms. Daughtry

Second by Ms. Barnett

Discussion: None

Vote: Roll Call; passed unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, July 22, 2024.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Ms. Daughtry

Second by Mr. Key

Vote: Voice; passed unanimously

The meeting is adjourned at 5:35 pm.

These minutes represent a record of actions taken by the Board of Trustees during the meeting and a summary of the discussions that took place. The minutes are not intended to be, nor are they, a verbatim record of the discussion on a particular item.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra Paczkowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Debra Paczkowski, Board Recording Secretary

Date: July 03, 2024

Approved by the Link Community Charter School Board of Trustees: July 22, 2024

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RESOLUTION APPROVING FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

The following is an excerpt of the minutes of the Link Community Charter School board meeting held on **June 28, 2024**

I, Bima Baje, Secretary of Link Community Charter School Board of Trustees, hereby certify the excerpt of the minutes contained this document is true and complete representation of actions taken by the board members.

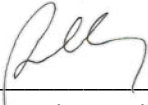
WHEREAS, Link Community Charter School has received the Maschio's Proposed Contract; and

WHEREAS, the annual management fee is \$20,000 with no guarantee

WHEREAS, the total cost of the contract for the 2024-2025 school year is approximately \$374,000;

Therefore, BE IT RESOVLED THAT, the Board of Trustees of the Link Community Charter School unanimously approved at its meeting conducted on **June 28, 2024** the Maschio's Food Service Management Contract as presented.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bima B. Baje Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Link Community Charter School