

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Monday, January 23, 2023 – 6:30 PM

I. Call to Order by Board Chair – 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, 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	Present	Absent
1.	Amanda Gordon	Board Chair	X	
2.	Daniel Glynn	Board Trustee	Χ	
3.	Christopher Gizzi	Board Trustee	Х	
4.	Chris DeFilippis	Board Trustee	Х	
5.	Erin Curtiss	Board Trustee	Χ	
6.	Michael Gazaleh	Board Trustee	Χ	
7.	Jaime Marchand	Board Trustee	Χ	
8.	Bernadette Reagan	Board Trustee	Х	
9.	Limor Faraguna	Board Trustee	X	

Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Susan Grierson	Director	Χ	
Dr. Brian Falkowski	School Business Administrator	Χ	
Melissa Landera	Faculty Representative	Χ	

IV. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Elysian Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the **December 19, 2022** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Amanda Gordon	1	Χ				Erin Curtiss		Χ			
Daniel Glynn	2	Χ				Michael Gazaleh		Х			
Christopher Gizzi		Χ				Jaime Marchand		Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Χ				Bernadette Reagan		Х			
Limor Faraguna		Χ									

V. Board Business - none

VI. Reports

- 1. **Director's Report** Susan Grierson presented her Director's Report.
- 2. **Faculty Representative's Report** Melissa Landera presented her report. Amanda Gordon thanked Susan and Melissa for normalizing the school year.

VII. Committee Reports

- 1. **Personnel** Jamie Marchand updated the Board on the stipends and the science teacher hire.
- 2. Advocacy Chris DeFilippis updated the Board on PILOT payments from the advocacy perspective,
- 3. Facilities Michael Gazaleh spoke about the mezzanine door and painting project.
- 4. Finance Discussed December 2022 BvA and update on the Audit and FY24 Budget.
- 5. **Nominating** Jamie Marchand spoke about the annual meeting and election.

VIII. Public Comment - none

- IX. Adjourn Public Session and Open Closed Session none
- X. Adjourn Closed and Open Public Session none
- XI. 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>December 2022</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>December 2022</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 December 31, 2022.
- c. <u>Bills List</u>: Approve Bills List from December 20, 2022 to January 23, 2023.
- d. <u>Payroll</u>: To approve the following payrolls:
 - December 22, 2022 \$ 126,189.39
 - January 13, 2023 \$ 136,614.22

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Amanda Gordon		Χ				Erin Curtiss	2	Χ			
Daniel Glynn	1	Χ				Michael Gazaleh		Χ			
Christopher Gizzi		Χ				Jaime Marchand		Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Χ				Bernadette Reagan		Х			
Limor Faraguna		Χ									

2. Contracts

- a. To approve the **WinAtSocial TSI** contract for social and emotional awareness concerning Grades 4th to 8th, one-year contract, not to exceed \$4,500.
- b. To approve **Emily Johannan** and **Sophia Schaefer** from Steven's Institute of Technology, to teach (2) Coding Classes for the Spring Semester, \$3,100/per person, details of classes as attached.

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Location: 1460 Garden Street Hoboken, NJ 07030 c. To approve the contract with **Read-Write-Connect, Inc.** for additional professional development concerning planning and documenting literacy units of study, 4 sessions, \$3,000/session, not to exceed \$12,000.

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Amanda Gordon	1	Χ				Erin Curtiss		Χ			
Daniel Glynn		Χ				Michael Gazaleh		Х			
Christopher Gizzi		Χ				Jaime Marchand		Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Χ				Bernadette Reagan	2	Х			
Limor Faraguna		Χ									

3. Buildings & Ground

- a. To approve the **SJZ** quote, as attached, for the hallway and stair painting project, at a cost of \$23,000.
- b. To approve the **Hoboken Lock** quote to install alarms on the Mezzanine door, at a cost of \$29,750.

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Daniel Glynn		Χ				Michael Gazaleh	1	Х			
Christopher Gizzi		Χ				Jaime Marchand		Х			
Chris DeFilippis		Χ				Bernadette Reagan		Х			
Limor Faraguna		Χ									

4. Personnel

- a. To approve Ian Gray, MS Science Teacher, salary \$50,000 pro-rated, effective January 24, 2023 to June 30, 2023.
- b. To approve the stipend for the redesign of the Aftercare Program to Angela Dunckley and Alyssa Rosen, \$1,000/per person, to be paid out on June 15, 2023.
- c. To ratify the hourly rate of \$20 for Roberto Rosa for any work completed outside of the normal school-day, not to exceed \$1,000 for the year.
- d. To approve the following Staff Stipends for the After School Enrichment Clubs Winter Session 2023, to be paid in full on March 30th.

Club Name	Teacher	Payment Amount (8 weeks)	(+\$20 for over cap)	Total Payment
Beginner's Chess	Josh Levitin	\$1,120	3	\$1,180
Game Show	Emily Giammona	\$1,120	3	\$1,160
Stitch It	Alyssa Rosen Sangster	\$1,360	3	\$1,420
Pickleball	Carolyn Yuhas	\$1,360	1	\$1,380
Create It/Make It	Josie Miguel	\$1,360	0	\$1,360
Gaga (Mon)	Rob Rosa	\$1,120	6	\$1,240
Advanced Chess	Josh Levitin	\$1,120	2	\$1,160
Basketball	Alex Tedesco	\$1,120	0	\$1,120
Slime	Abra Kessler	\$1,360	0	\$1,360
Lego	Angela Dunckley	\$1,120	0	\$1,120
Lego	Josie Miguel	\$1,120	0	\$1,120
Cooking Club	Samantha Leone	\$1,360	3	\$1,420
Cooking Club	Monica Richards	\$1,360	3	\$1,420
Sporty Kids	Quan Ferguson	\$1,120	2	\$1,160
Gaga (Wed)	Rob Rosa	\$1,120	4	\$1,200

Dance (Wed)	Derrick Ladson	\$1,120	3	\$1,180
Pickleball	Mariana Peralta	\$1,360	0	\$1,360
Handcrafted Designs	Rachel Schwartz	\$1,360	2	\$1,400
Debate	Monica Richards	\$1,120	3	\$1,180
Mini Museum	Angela Dunckley	\$1,360	2	\$1,420
Movement/Mindfulness	Marisa Dolan	\$1,120	0	\$1,120
Dance (Thurs)	Derrick Ladson	\$1,120	4	\$1,200
Choir	Josh Levitin	\$1,120	3	\$1,180
Pasta Making	Alex Tedesco	\$1,360	3	\$1,420
Mad Science	Alyssa Rosen Sangster	\$1,360	6	\$1,480
Club Para	Johnny Dyer		\$25 /Hour	

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Christopher Gizzi		Χ				Jaime Marchand		Х			
Chris DeFilippis	2	Χ				Bernadette Reagan		Х			
Limor Faraguna		Χ									

5. Curriculum/Special Education

a. To approve the following upcoming Field Trips for FY23:

Trip Location	Grade	Costs & Transport	# of Students	Date of Trip	Educational Purpose
Central Park Zoo	2	\$760	17	3/09/2023	Penguin Studies
Jackie Robinson Museum	6	TBD + \$189	32	4/21/2023	Historical/Social Emotional
Ellis Island	4	TBD + \$668.75	32	5/19/2023	Immigration Studies

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Limor Faraguna		Χ									

6. Policy/Miscellaneous

XII. New Business

- 1. To approve the contract with Music Theatre International for 'Into the Woods Jr.' at a cost of \$740.
- 2. To approve the contract with Steve & Kate's Camp, as attached.

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Chris DeFilippis	1	Χ				Bernadette Reagan		Χ			
Limor Faraguna	2	Χ									

XIII. Closing Comments - none

XIV. Information - Next Board Meeting:

Day	Date	Time	Notes			
Monday	February 13, 2023	6:30 PM	Regular Meeting			

XV. Adjournment – 7:10 PM

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
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