

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 9, 2022 – 7:00pm

- I. **CALL TO ORDER – 7:04 PM**
- II. **PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING/NJ SUNSHINE LAW**

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Princeton Charter School Board of Trustees has caused notice of this meeting to be given by having the date, time and place mailed to the Clerk of the Municipality; advertised in Town Topics, Trenton Times & Reporte Hispano; mailed to the County Superintendent of Schools; posted in the faculty lounge and on the school’s website.

- III. **ROLL CALL**

Voting Members	Role	Term Ends	Present	Absent
1. Roxanna Choe	Trustee	2023	X	
2. Stefanos Damianakis	Trustee	2024	X – ED @ 9:41 PM	
3. Rupal Kothari	Trustee	2024		X
4. Rakesh Kumar	Trustee	2024	X	
5. Minzhi Liu	Trustee	2022	X	
6. Lorie Roth	Trustee	2022	X	
7. Harlan Tenenbaum	Trustee	2022		X
8. Olga Troyanskaya	Trustee	2023	X	
9. John Weihe	Trustee	2023	X	

Also Present: Larry Patton, Head of School
 Lisa Eckstrom, Assistant Head of School
 Brian Falkowski, SBA

- IV. **BOARD BUSINESS**

- 1. To appoint Dr. Brian Falkowski as SBA/Board Secretary/QPA effective January 25, 2022, and will be a signor on all bank accounts.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe	2	X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis	1	X				Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe		X			
Minzhi Liu		X									

- V. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

- 1. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees move to approve the minutes from the meeting held on January 12, 2022.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis		X				Harlan Tenenbaum					X

Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe	2	X			
Minzhi Liu	1	X									

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Grace thanked Larry about an announcement that going maskless will not be an automatic decision.

VII. HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT/RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees accepts the Head of School Report and approves the Head of School Recommendations.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis		X				Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar	1	X				John Weihe	2	X			
Minzhi Liu		X									

VIII. CLOSED SESSION – HIB – 7:50 PM

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis	1	X				Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya	2	X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe		X			
Minzhi Liu		X									

A discussion ensued about two HIB cases. HIB was founded in case 1 regarding ethnic name calling. HIB was unfounded in case 2 regarding name calling.

IX. ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth	1	X			
Stefanos Damianakis		X				Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe		X			
Minzhi Liu	2	X									

X. BOARD COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

1. Lorie and Minzhi – Curriculum and Program Committee
2. Olga and Roxanna – School Climate and Covid Response Committee
3. Roxanna – Admissions Committee
4. Roxanna – Communications Committee
5. Larry - Personnel Committee
6. Stefanos – Finance Committee
7. Stefanos – Facilities Committee

XI. MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL

1. **Finance**

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves the Board Secretary’s and Bank Reconciliation Reports for month ending **January 2022** the attached. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10 et seq., the Princeton 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 month ending **January 2022**, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10 et seq., and that sufficient funds are available to meet the school’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- b. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves all line item transfer up to February 09, 2022.
- c. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves the check register from January 12, 2022 through February 9, 2022.
- d. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees certify the payrolls for the following dates:
 - January 14, 2022- \$219,968.14
 - January 28, 2022- \$226,745.08
- e. **SEMI Waiver:**

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a charter school may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the school’s participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2022-2023 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Princeton Charter School Board of Trustees desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that it projects having fewer than 40 Medicaid eligible classified students in the 2022-2023 school year, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Princeton Charter School Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Head of School to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Mercer an appropriate waiver of the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.3 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe	2	X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis					X	Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar	1	X				John Weihe		X			
Minzhi Liu		X									

2. **Contracts - none**

3. **Personnel**

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves Ms. Cheryl Horan’s professional development request for “Foundation’s Level 2” by Wilson Language Basics in the amount of \$289.00.
- b. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves Ms. Dayna Goldstein’s professional development request for “Decrease Attention Getting & Tantrum Behaviors with Practical Solutions & Strategies” by Bureau of Education & Research in the amount of \$279.00.
- c. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves Ms. Gail Wilbur professional development request for HIB Law Update and Hot Issues in Sp. Ed. Law at a cost of \$50.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis					X	Harlan Tenenbaum					X

Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe	1	X			
Minzhi Liu	2	X									

4. **Buildings & Grounds - none**

5. **Curriculum**

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves the English Language Learning Three-Year Plan.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe	2	X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis					X	Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar	1	X				John Weihe					
Minzhi Liu		X									

6. **Policies**

- a. **RESOLVED**, That the Board of Trustees approves the Nursing Services Plan for 2022-2023 school year.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe	1	X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis					X	Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe	2	X			
Minzhi Liu		X									

7. **Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying (HIB) & Miscellaneous**

- a. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approves the January 2022 HIB Report (No HIBs).

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis					X	Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya		X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe	1	X			
Minzhi Liu	2	X									

XII. **PUBLIC COMMENT - none**

XIII. **ADJOURNMENT – 9:54 PM**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Roxanna Choe		X				Lorie Roth		X			
Stefanos Damianakis					X	Harlan Tenenbaum					X
Rupal Kothari					X	Olga Troyanskaya	1	X			
Rakesh Kumar		X				John Weihe		X			
Minzhi Liu	2	X									