



Minutes
Board of Directors of Friendship Academy of the Arts
May 19, 2025

Location: Friendship Academy of the Arts Intermediate Site 3320 E 41st St Minneapolis, MN 55406

Roll Call:

Board Members: Lorna Pettis, Ananyasia Joseph, Janice Phillips, Brenda Hill, Terri Costello

Staff: Carr Kpanyor Jr., Dr. Charvez Russell, Elaina Cates, Verlon Laird, Kerry Kliman

Guests: Bridget Merrill-Myhre from Creative Planning(virtual); Carlton Garner, Yolanda Taylor

- I. Call to order – Meeting called to order at 6:15pm by Lorna Pettis.
- II. Agenda
Motion to approve agenda Brenda Hill; Second Terri Costello approved unanimously.
- III. Minutes for April 28, 2025 were reviewed.
Motion to approve minutes for April 28, 2025 Ananyasia Joseph; Second Brenda Hill; approved unanimously.
- IV. Authorizer Communication- None
- V. Financial Report
Financial Report and Supplemental Financial Information for April 2025 were presented by Bridget Merrill-Myhre.

Motion to approve April 2025 Financial Reports and Supplemental Financials – Brenda Hill; Second Terri Costello; approved unanimously.
- VI. Interim Executive Director's Report – presented by Carr Kpanyor Jr written narrative included in board packet. Motion to approve Interim Executive Director report Janice Phillips; Second Brenda Hill; approved unanimously

VII. Contracts-

CST (Transportation) 2025-2026 school year- Motion to approve Janice Phillips; Second Brenda Hill; approved unanimously

Dr. Paige- tabled. Board would like to see if the rates are comparable to other Psychologist

VIII. 2025-2026 School Calendar Draft presented

IX. Committee Reports

a. Fundraising: None

b. Marketing: Marketing report included in board packet. Working on 25th year Celebration

c. Governance: Board Elections are complete. Committee did not meet

X. 2025-2026 Board of Directors Calendar- Motion to approve 2025-2026 Calendar Janice Phillips; Second Terri Costello; approved unanimously

XI.

XII. Resolution to name Drive Way to "Wendy Hines Way"- Motion to approve naming of Drive Way Janice Phillips; Second Brenda Hill; approved unanimously

XIII. IoWA- Motion to approve Carr Kpanyor Jr as IoWA Terri Costello; Second Brenda Hill; approved unanimously

XIV. Miscellaneous

Reminder to complete Board Training through Charter Source.

Incoming Board Member Introductions: Yolanda Taylor-Parent; Carlton Garner-Community Member

XV. Adjournment of Board Meeting

Motion to adjourn at 7:18pm Brenda Hill; Second Ananyasia Joseph; approved unanimously. Next meeting is June 30, 2025 @ 6:00pm. This meeting will be held in person at 3320 East 41st Street, Minneapolis, MN 55406