



# Amani Public Charter School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday November 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM

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#### Directors Present

A. Spencer, G. Johnson (remote), G. Sardi (remote), J. Kuo (remote), M. Smith, P. Morenberg (remote), P. Smith (remote), S. Edwards, S. WuDunn (remote), T. Houston (remote)

#### Directors Absent

J. Killoran

#### Ex Officio Members Present

D. Stern

#### Non Voting Members Present

D. Stern

#### Guests Present

A. Davenport (remote), N. Thurman, S. Parande

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Houston called a meeting of the board of directors of Amani Public Charter School to order on Monday Nov 13, 2023 at 6:12 PM.

## **B. Approve Minutes**

T. Houston made a motion to approve the minutes from 10.16.23 Amani Board Meetings on 10-16-23.

G. Johnson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## **II. Governance**

### **A. Appointment of New Trustees**

Mrs. Stern is working with the state to appoint new trustees, need another board resolution.

Board President read the following resolution

#### **APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES**

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Amani Public Charter School, held on November 13, 2023, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Board of Trustees that the addition of new Trustees would be beneficial for the growth and development of Amani Public Charter School;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following individuals are hereby appointed as new Trustees of Amani Public Charter School, effective immediately:

1. Max Smith
2. Alex Spencer
3. John Kuo
4. Sondra WuDunn
5. Paul Morenberg
6. Gina Sardi

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Board, Stephanie Edwards, is authorized and directed to notify the above-named individuals of their appointment and to

provide them with all necessary documentation, information, and orientation materials related to their role as Trustees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Board is directed to update the official records of Amani Public Charter School to reflect the appointment of these new Trustees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contributions and expertise of these new Trustees are highly anticipated and greatly appreciated by the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being all of the current Trustees of Amani Public Charter School, have executed this Resolution on the date first above written.

S. Edwards made a motion to Appoint new trustees: APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES 1. Max Smith 2. Alex Spencer 3. John Kuo 4. Sondra WuDunn 5. Paul Morenberg 6. Gina Sardi.  
G. Johnson seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## **B. Board Training on Roles and Responsibilities**

## **III. Management/School Report**

### **A. Amani Elementary - Resolution**

Elementary school expansion plans. (31:36)

Debra Stern mentions a capital campaign committee meeting next week to discuss the building and elementary trolley plans.

Debra Stern and Jennifer Kena are working on a charter school growth fund grant application for December 1, which will help move forward with money elementary for the future.

Debra Stern discusses the K-1234 school expansion plan over 4 years, identifying incubation space and potential building options.

- location will possibly be the old probation building located two buildings down from our current school on south 3rd.
- Charter school growth fund, application is due December 1st.
- Two grants for December 1st

Resolution was read:  
November 13, 2023

#### Board Resolution

At a duly convened meeting of the Board of Directors of Amani Public Charter School held on the 13th day of November 13, 2023, the following motion was made, discussed, and approved:

Motion: To Open a K-4 Program

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the Board of Directors that there is a growing need for educational opportunities for students in the K-4 age group within our community;

WHEREAS, a comprehensive proposal for the establishment of a K-4 program has been presented to the Board, outlining the curriculum, staffing, budget, and potential benefits to our community;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Amani Public Charter School and the community it serves to expand its educational offerings to include a K-4 program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Amani Public Charter School approve the motion to open a K-4 program, effective September 2024, and authorize the necessary actions to implement and operate this program.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board delegates the responsibility to Debra Stern, Executive Director, to oversee the planning, implementation, and ongoing operations of the K-4 program, in coordination with the appropriate staff and committees.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the necessary budget allocations and resources shall be provided to support the successful launch and continuation of the K-4 program, as outlined in the proposal.

The above motion was duly seconded and received majority approval by the members of the Board of Directors during the meeting held on November 13, 2023.

This resolution is hereby adopted and effective as of the date mentioned above.

T. Houston made a motion to I make a motion to accept the charter resolution for K through four.

S. Edwards seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Killoran Absent

T. Houston Aye

G. Johnson Aye

S. Edwards Aye

**IV. Finance**

**A. Treasures Report**

- one quarter into the fiscal year.
- operating account as of the end of September \$287,639
- total cash of all accounts at September 30 was 472,009 \$98.
- Projecting to end the year with cash of about 1.1 million which would represent two times the monthly expenses that we need for cash on hand

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
S. Edwards

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

- Board Resolution - New Trustees (1).pdf
- Amani Elementary Prospectus (1).pdf
- Amani Elementary School - Identification of Location (1).pdf
- Amani Elementary Board Resolution .pdf
- APCS September 2023 Financials\_final\_110823.pdf