



## Minutes

Board of Directors of Friendship Academy of the Arts  
July 29, 2024

Location: Virtual

Roll Call:

Board Members: Ananyasia Joseph, Janice Phillips, Lorna Pettis, Brenda Hill, Dr. Niambi Jackson, Darlene Riley, Katie Cooney, Nicole Pinkerton, Raeisha Williams, Terri Coates

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

Guests: Lia Grant, Charter Source; Tyler Aliperto

- I. Call to order – Meeting called to order at 6:01pm by Lorna Pettis
- II. Agenda  
  
Motion to approve agenda Brenda Hill; Second Katie Cooney; Abstention Janice Phillips; approved unanimously.
- III. Seating of Incoming Board of Directors  
  
Welcome – Dr. Niambi Jackson, Darlene Riley, Katie Cooney, Nicole Pinkerton, Raeisha Williams, Terri Coates
- IV. Minutes for June 24, 2024 were reviewed.  
  
Motion to approve minutes for June 24, 2024 Janice Phillips; Second Brenda Hill; approved unanimously.
- V. Financial Report  
Supplemental Financial Information for June 2024 were presented by Ananyasia Joseph  
  
Motion to approve June 2024 Supplemental Financial information Brenda Hill; Second Darlene Riley; approved unanimously.

VI. Authorizer Communication

Will be hosting Board Training August 13 & 14.

VII. Executive Director's Report presented by Carr Kpanyor Jr., Interim Director

Motion to approve Executive Director's Report Janice Phillips; Second Dr. Niambi Jackson; approved unanimously.

Psychologist Contract

Revised contract with Paige Psychological Consulting was shared with a new negotiated rate of 15% late fee. Motion to approve contract with Paige Psychological Consulting Katie Cooney; Second Janice Phillips; Abstention Brenda Hill; approved unanimously.

2024-2025 Strategic Plan was shared. Motion to approve 2024-2025 Strategic Plan Brenda Hill; Second Dr. Niambi Jackson; Abstention Janice Phillips; approved unanimously.

VIII. Board Committee Reports

- a. Marketing – Report shared by Brenda Hill
- b. Fundraising – Report shared by Carr Kpanyor Jr
- c. Governance – shared by Janice Phillips. The Governance Committee will resume meetings in August. The Exemplar Procurement Policy recommended by the Authorizer will be reviewed by the Governance Committee and shared for Board approval at a later date.

IX. Miscellaneous

Addition of Board Member

Ananyasia Joseph has been nominated to carry out the remaining year of Wendy Hines' term. Motion to approve Ananyasia Joseph to carry out the remaining year of Wendy Hines' term Brenda Hill; Second Janice Phillips; approved unanimously.

Board Officer Elections

Vice chair: Ananyasia Joseph has been nominated; Motion to approve Ananyasia Joseph for Vice Chair Brenda Hill; Second Darlene Riley; approved unanimously.

Treasurer: Brenda Hill has been nominated; Motion to approve Brenda Hill for Treasurer Janice Phillips; Second Katie Cooney; approved unanimously.

Secretary: Katie Cooney has been nominated; Motion to approve Katie Cooney Brenda Hill; Second Dr. Niambi Jackson; approved unanimously.

## Committee Assignments

Darlene Riley – Fundraising and Marketing  
Nicole Pinkerton - Fundraising  
Raeisha Williams – Marketing and Fundraising  
Katie Cooney – Governance  
Dr. Niambi Jackson – Governance  
Terri Coates – Governance  
Janice Phillips – Governance

## Board Training Reminder

New board members are required to take 3 additional trainings – must be completed during first 12 months .

## Space for Comments

Further clarification and discussion have been requested regarding the 2 Location Scenario building and budget plan that was approved during the May 2024 meeting. A special meeting will be held for this discussion.

## X. Adjournment of Board Meeting

Brenda Hill motioned to adjourn at 8:00pm; Second Katie Cooney; approved unanimously. Next meeting is August 26, 2024 @ 6:00pm. This meeting will be held in person; location to be determined.