

**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FINN ACADEMY: AN ELMIRA CHARTER SCHOOL
610 Lake Street Elmira, New York 14901**

**5:45 PM
February 17, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:59 PM by Chair, Martina Baker, following a public information session in the Finn Academy Auditorium.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Martina Baker	<u> √ </u>	<u> </u>
Jill Koski	<u> √ </u>	<u> </u>
Kevin Murphy	<u> √ </u>	<u> </u>
Maya Patel (nominated, ex officio pending approval)	<u> </u>	<u> √ </u>
Katie Stowell	<u> √ </u>	<u> </u>
Renée Sutton	<u> </u>	<u> √ </u>
Lynn Winner	<u> √ </u>	<u> </u>
Maggie Thurber (ex-officio)	<u> √ </u>	<u> </u>

IV. WELCOME & MISSION MOMENT

At Finn Academy - An Elmira Charter School, we will engage students deeply in the arts, music, and in daily fitness. We will emphasize the importance of college attendance. We will nurture the character traits of leadership, scholarship, reflection, kindness, perseverance, and aspiration. We will strategically partner with community resources to be a model of best practice in education and to make a measurable difference in student learning. We seek to increase the number of college and career ready students our community launches into a life and a future- by better preparing them for demands and rigor of high school.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve: Katie Stowell; Second: Jill Koski. All in Favor.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

B. FACILITIES

The Board of Trustees will enter into executive session to discuss issues pertaining to the acquisition of property, in accordance with the following provision of the New York State Open Meetings Law <https://www.dos.ny.gov/coog/openmeetlaw.html>):

h. the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.

Resolution to move into executive session: Motion to approve: Jill Koski; Second: Martina Baker. All in Favor.

Motion to move into public session: Moved: Jill Koski; Seconded, Martina Baker. All in Favor.

Resolution: Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of Finn Academy: An Elmira Charter School, direct its Head of School, in concert with its Chair of the Board of Trustees and advisors, execute, and/or further negotiate, the "First Amendment to Lease" – a contingency lease, with the Elmira City School District, for the 2016-2017 school year.

Motion to approve: Martina Baker; Seconded: Katie Stowell. All in Favor.

Resolution: Resolved, that following the wholly executed contingency lease with the Elmira City School District, the Board direct its Head of School, in concert with its Chair of the Board of Trustees and advisors, submit the "Lease Agreement By & Between Streeter Associates & Finn Academy," as drafted by Whiteman, Osterman, and Hanna, for negotiation and execution on or before May 17, 2016.

Motion to approve: Jill Koski; Second: Lynn Winner. All in Favor.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution to adjourn meeting at 6:45 PM. Motion to approve: Martina Baker; Second, Kevin Murphy. All in Favor.