

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

**October 19, 2020
6:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER: 6 PM by Renee Sutton

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Kathryn Coletta	____X____	_____
Jill Koski	____X____	_____
Maya Patel	____X____	_____
Cynthia Raj	_____	____X____
Katie Stowell	____X____	_____
Renée Sutton	____X____	_____
Lynn Winner	____X____	_____
Martina Baker (ex-officio)	_____	____X____
Aimee Ciarlo (ex-officio)	____X____	_____
Jeremy Wheeler (ex-officio)	____X____	_____

IV. WELCOME & MISSION MOMENT

At Finn Academy we promote an inclusive, rigorous and nurturing environment to best prepare our children for their future and to cultivate a community of scholars, leaders and friends.

Finn staff are preparing to host the annual Veteran’s breakfast to honor local veterans next month. This year’s event will be an out-door pick-up of a boxed meal and a live-stream of the flag raising.

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution to approve/amend/add/table/delete agenda items under Governance to include a resolution to fill the position of Family Representative to the Board.

So Moved: Lynn Seconded: Katie In Favor: All
Opposed: None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. PARENT REPRESENTATIVES REPORT

Michelle Augustine addressed the board to express her enthusiasm for the Family Representative position. Michelle is well known to many board members as a former staff member and current parent of a scholar. Michelle has been a valued member of the school community since the school’s opening.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE

New Business: Annual audit presentation by Lumsden & McCormick, LLP.

Tom presented the findings of the annual audit to the board. Finn’s financial statements present fairly, there were no difficulties, disagreements or materials weaknesses in the control systems. Tom complimented Finn on the new accounting policies that were adopted and commended the school for its documentation of residency.

Resolution: Motion to accept the audit report from Tom Burns from Lumsen in association with K and A

So Moved: Jill Seconded: Maya In Favor: All
Opposed: None

Aimee sent the parent/guardian survey for both in person and remote families to determine how many would like to continue with their current mode or switch modes for the second marking period. The Re-entry Committee will meet to review results and discuss next steps.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution: To move into Executive Session for purpose 1.f (below):

So Moved: Jill

Seconded: Maya

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

(Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the general area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, a public body may conduct an executive session for the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken to appropriate public moneys: f. the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.)

Resolution: To return from Executive Session

So Moved: Maya

Seconded: Katie

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

Resolution: To accept the Personnel Package as presented in Executive Session

So Moved: Katie

Seconded: Jill

In Favor: All

Opposed: None

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution to adjourn meeting at: 7:42

So Moved: Maya

Seconded: Jill

In Favor: All

Opposed: None