



# CITY ACADEMY

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## Board Meeting Minutes & Public Materials – posted to School Website

**Wednesday November 17, 2021**

**Hybrid Meeting 4:15 pm**

To join the video meeting, click this link: <https://meet.google.com/rfs-hqzq-bss>  
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Present: Walker Kennedy, Erik Bengtzen, Debbie Eckert, Steve Foxley, Mary Glauser, Larry Hintze, Nate Seim, Kelle Smart, Taylor Woodbury

Officers: Ram Prasad Boppana, Sonia Woodbury

Guest: Thomas Hezseltine, Squire Inc.

- I. **Board Meeting Welcome at 4:15** Walker
- II. **Public Comment - none**
- III. **Resolution of the Board accepting [Audited Financial Statements](#)** Squire Inc.
  - [Governance Letter](#)

Thomas Hezseltine, an auditor with Squire, Inc., reported that there were big changes this year because the state auditor made charter schools switch from non-profit accounting to government accounting. Auditor findings for City Academy were that the financial statements are sound and the Board can rely on them for decision making. The Board discussed with our auditor what changes they might see from our numbers last year due to the change in accounting system. Going forward the auditors will be able to show the comparison year to year within this same new accounting system. The auditor commended Prasad on his timeliness and preparation for audits.

Mary moved to approve audited financial statements, Kelle seconded, and all were in favor.

- IV. **Financial [Report](#)** Prasad

Prasad reviewed the financial statements with the Board and noted that there will be some changes as our state allotment decreases in a few areas in November and December due to our low enrollment this year.

- V. **Minutes – [October](#)** Sonia

Kelle moved to approve October minutes, Erik seconded, and all were in favor.

- VI. **Approval of Federal & State Grant budgets for FY22** Sonia

- [Proposed Plan](#)

Steven moved to approve the proposed spending plan for federal and state grants as written, Larry seconded and all were in favor.

- VII. **Director's Update** Sonia

- [GMS program](#) – 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade cohort; High School students
- Student Recruitment – Talking Points
- Follow us on [Instagram](#)

Sonia asked the Board to please continue to provide input on our Instagram postings to help ensure we are promoting the school appropriately and well. Sonia also reported on our school recruiting visits. We have completed two, have one



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more scheduled in December, and will do another six after winter break. There has been a good response so far to the new music program opportunities.

## VIII. Chair Planning

Walker

Pickleball Tournament - sponsorships for the tournament.

Board discussed sponsorship levels and will be working on recruiting sponsors. They will discuss this again in the December meeting.

## IX. Close

Walker

Mary made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Nate seconded, and all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM

DATED the 17th day of November, 2021 CITY ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: Sonia Woodbury

APPROVED the 15th day of December, 2021 CITY ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

For audio file of meeting minutes click [here](#)

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### Upcoming 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday Board Meetings

December 15, 2021	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
January 19, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
February 16, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
March 16, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
April 20, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
May 18, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
June 15, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting

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### Upcoming Special Dates & Special Events

November 24, 2021	noon	<a href="#">Thanksgiving Feast</a>
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