Application: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Charter School

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Summary

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Entry 1 School Info and Cover Page

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions

Required of ALL Charter Schools

Each Annual Report begins with a completed School Information and Cover Page. The information is collected in a survey format within the <u>Annual Report Portal</u>. When entering information in the portal, some of the following items may not appear, depending on your authorizer and/or your responses to related items.

Entry 1 School Information and Cover Page

(New schools that were not open for instruction for the 2022-2023 school year are not required to complete or submit an annual report this year).

Please be advised that you will need to complete this cover page (including signatures) <u>before</u> all of the other tasks assigned to you by your school's authorizer are visible on your task page. While completing this cover page task, please ensure that you select the correct authorizer **(as of June 30, 2023)** or you may not be assigned the correct tasks.

BASIC INFORMATION

a. SCHOOL NAME

(Select name from the drop down menu)

CITIZENSHIP AND SCIENCE ACADEMY OF SYRACUSE CHARTER SCHOOL 80000089046

a1. Popular School Name

Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Charter School

b. CHARTER AUTHORIZER (As of June 30th, 2023)

Please select the correct authorizer as of June 30, 2023 or you may not be assigned the correct tasks.

BOARD OF REGENTS

c. School Unionized

Is your charter school unionized?

No

d. DISTRICT / CSD OF LOCATION

SYRACUSE CITY SD

e. Date of Approved Initial Charter

Jul 4 2017

f. Date School First Opened for Instruction

Sep 5 2017

g. Approved School Mission and Key Design Elements

(Regents, NYCDOE and Buffalo BOE authorized schools only)

School Mission:

Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Charter School will provide support, challenges and opportunities for its students, and it will instill the necessary skills and knowledge in math, science, and technology to empower students, through high intellectual standards, preparing them for college, career, and citizenship.

Key Design Elements:

College Preparation:

Aligned in every way with the school's mission to graduate college-ready and civic-minded students, the importance of college readiness is understood very well at CSASCS. In addition to high-quality instruction and curriculum, programs during school, after school, and during the summer have been developed and practiced to ensure every student can attend college. At the K-5 level, Saturday Scholars STEM and Summer Scholars are examples of two programs where students are provided additional academic support and enrichment. Students in grade 7 took a field trip to SUNY Oswego, where they got exposed to the College environment and visited Historical places they learned about in Social Studies Class. Students participate in "superintendent's lunch," where they get to ask questions about the school's mission and vision to be informed about the college experience.

Focused on STEM and Environment:

CSASCS promotes real-world problem solving & exploration in science and mathematics, interactive engagement and collaborative problem-solving opportunities, field trips to environmentally friendly locations and science museums, and regular use of technology: smartboard, IPAD one-on-one Chromebooks, internet, and apps. Students participate in local competitions: CNY Bridge Building and Steamboat challenges. At the K-5 level, STEAM was added as a once-a-week special for all students during the 22-23 school year. During STEAM, students participate in various hands-on, minds-on activities, including coding, Lego challenges, science experiments, etc. Additionally, our Saturday Scholars STEM Enrichment/ Remediation program allows scholars to partake in weekly STEM-based challenges (i.e., making slime, creating a safe capsule for an egg drop, etc.). At the 6-7 level, scholars are scheduled to be in STEAM classes every other day, where they learn about programming (Tynker) and other enrichment activities. Students in 6&7 grades also participated in STEM Challenges organized by the MOST Museum of Science. Our scholars also participated in Micron Robotics Challenge for the first time.

Glocal Education:

CSASCS has a celebratory atmosphere and promotes positive attitudes through quarterly recognition and rewards for academic efforts and citizenship evidence through certificates, gift certificates, and classroom celebrations.

Students are encouraged to share cultural backgrounds, and teachers incorporate these backgrounds through culturally responsive teaching lessons. As students participate in community service opportunities, they become aware of the issues facing their region, and by becoming an active part of the solution, they become more involved, caring citizens. By recognizing challenges and taking part in solving them, students become better problem solvers and gain real-life application experience. As part of the Commitment Letter signed by each student and his or her guardian, each student must complete 225 hours of community service as a graduation requirement through K-12. The total volunteer hour requirement for graduation will be pro-rated based on the grade level that each student enters the school. All community services will be tracked digitally on an ongoing basis as a method to celebrate student efforts. At the K-5 level, students are provided various in-house service opportunities, including a canned food drive (donating and helping to organize the event), library assistants, buddy room helpers, creating welcome cards for refugee families, etc.

Additionally, a Service Committee was formed in the spring of this year. This committee meets monthly and is working to create monthly service opportunities for staff, students, and families for the 23-24 school year. In middle school, students are recognized for the monthly characters that they display. Students also have many opportunities to fulfill their community service hours, including but not limited to cleaning the cafeteria, helping teachers organize their classrooms, and volunteering in an animal shelter.

Professional development is provided to staff in conjunction with specific ENL support services offered by a licensed ENL teacher. The ENL instructional model is emphasized based on adjusting the presentation of materials, extensive modeling demonstration, and individualized directions. Beyond this, students inquire in groups where lessons are scaffolded using learning materials, tasks, and adjusted groupings. Students then show what they know orally or in writing using the language output method, which is then monitored for progress toward learning goals.

Scholars work on their Science Fair projects with the guidance of their Science, STEAM, and ELA teachers, in which they have to come up with a hypothesis and conduct experiments to test the possible solution and present it to the judges. During this process, they learn to be a part of the solution and increase their social interaction skills.

Student-Centered School Structure:

CSASCS schools offer a small, safe, nurturing environment to their students. The school has an academic leader called the dean of the school and a dean of students who deals with daily student support issues. By creating a small school environment at its location, CSASCS creates a family atmosphere in which all staff members know each other and students and can provide a safer and more controlled environment. Each K-2 classroom has two teachers to provide academic and emotional support. This reduces staff to student ratio to 12:1, optimizing ongoing support. Both parent and staff surveys showed that they find the school's small environment and

individual attention extremely valuable and safe. In the K-5 building, ten support staff aid students in reading or math. These teachers push into classrooms to support Tier I instruction or pull students into a smaller Tier II group - depending on the student's needs. The middle school has support staff for Math and ELA who pull out students to help with the interventions. At the middle school level, Math teachers use TEDSolutions to assign standard-based quizzes to assess and help students with interventions. Every student might need a different standard to work on, and there is an intervention period to have scholars work with the teacher's guidance. Also, advisory (~10 minutes) allows students and teachers to emphasize the SEL, such as monthly characters and positivity projects (especially in grade 6).

Parental Involvement and home visits:

Students' success and performance are affected not only by teachers but also by their parents and environment. Therefore, parental involvement is a significant part of our school's strategic goals. The school's teachers perform home visits to understand the students' challenges and abilities and to create a better triad of parent-student-teacher relationships. During home visits, teachers encourage parents to participate in students' learning at home actively. Parents also volunteer regularly in classrooms as guest readers, field trip chaperones, and academic support during projects and hands-on learning tasks. At the K-5 level, a Music Boosters club was formed this year - helping to bring families passionate about music in schools together with teachers. At the middle school level, we meet with parents monthly for "parent coffee talk" to get their feedback and inform them about the events that take place in the school. We also involve our counselor to meet with parents. The counselor goes over certain presentations so the parents can help their scholars. At the middle school level, we conduct monthly parent coffee talks to collect feedback from the parents and present them with different topics to ensure their voices are heard.

Performance-based accountability:

The school must achieve academic and organizational excellence through outstanding instructional quality coupled with the school's key design elements to remain a viable educational alternative in the community. Student performance, teaching, and learning are measured monthly and/or quarterly through data collected and tracked by multiple assessment instruments, including STAR Math and Reading Testing, iReady testing, full-length practice tests for state Assessments, and Fountas and Pinell running records. Student performance is documented and reviewed by teachers and school administrators. Teachers create intervention plans to improve individual student achievement from these performance results.

Teachers meet monthly with coaches, intervention coordinators, and school administration to review student data. This data is used to create intervention plans for students, emphasizing individual goals in math and reading for each student. These goals are growth-based, and annual checkpoints are set up as a means of progress monitoring. In monthly data meetings, progress is reviewed, and specific academic intervention plans are adjusted regularly to maximize student growth. There is an extensive teacher observation and enrichment program in which every teacher is visited regularly and given feedback, with resources tailored to their individual needs using NYSED-approved models, such as the Danielson Framework for teacher evaluation and the Frontline Education program. CSASCS has several instructional coaches, peer mentors, and administrators who perform class observations and provide feedback to improve instruction. Each teacher has an individualized improvement plan based on compiled data, allowing teachers to focus on specific domains and performance indicators of the Danielson Framework.

h. School Website Address

https://www.csasyracuse.org

i. Total Approved Charter Enrollment for 2022-2023 School Year

600

j. Total Enrollment on June 30, 2023 - excluding Pre-K program enrollment

585

k. Grades Served

Grades served during the 2022-2023 school year (exclude Pre-K program students):

Use the CTRL button to select multiple grades to accurately capture every grade level served.

Responses Selected:

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I. Charter Management Organization

Do you have a Charter Management Organization?

No

FACILITIES INFORMATION

m. FACILITIES

Will the school maintain or operate multiple sites in 2023-2024?

Yes, 2 sites

School Site 1 (Primary)

m1. SCHOOL SITES

Please provide information on Site 1 for the upcoming school year.

	Physical Address	Phone Number	District/CSD	Grades to be Served at Site for previous year (K-5, 6-9, etc.)	Grades to be Served at Site for coming year (K-5, 6-9, etc.)	Receives Rental Assistance for Which Grades (If yes, enter the appropriate grades. If no, enter No).
Site 1	301 Valley Drive. Syracuse, NY 13207	315-671-0270	Syracuse	К-5	К-5	No

m1a. Please provide the contact information for Site 1.

	Name	Title	Work Phone	Alternate Phone	Email Address
School Leader	Meghan Ward	Dean of School	315-671-0270		<u>m.ward@sany.or</u> g.
Operational Leader	Lisa Fingerman	Operations Manager	315-671-0270		<u>l.fingerman@san</u> <u>y.org</u>
Compliance Contact	Meghan Ward	Dean of School	315-671-0270		<u>m.ward@sany.or</u> g.
Complaint Contact	Alonzo Graham	Student Affairs Officer	315-671-0270		<u>a.graham@sany.</u> <u>org</u>
DASA Coordinator	Alonzo Graham	Student Affairs Officer	315-671-0270		<u>a.graham@sany.</u> <u>org</u>
Phone Contact for After Hours Emergencies	Lisa Fingerman	Operations Manager	315-278-6870		<u>l.fingerman@san</u> <u>y.org</u>

m1b. Is site 1 in public (co-located) space or in private space?

Private Space

m1d. Upload a current Certificate of Occupancy (COO) and the annual Fire Inspection Report for school site 1 if located in private space in NYC or located outside of NYC.

Certificate of Occupancy and Fire Inspection. Provide a copy of a current and non-expired certificate of occupancy (if outside NYC or in private space in NYC). For schools that are not in district space (NYC colocations), provide a copy of a current and non-expired certificate of occupancy, and a copy of the current annual fire inspection results, which should be dated on or after July 1, 2023.

- Fire inspection certificates must be updated annually. For the upcoming school year 2023-2024, submit a current fire inspection certificate.
- If the fire inspection certificate is dated after the August 1, 2022 submission of the Annual Report, please submit the new certificate with the Annual Report entries due on November 1, 2023.

Site 1 Certificate of Occupancy (COO)

Certificate of Occupancy CSAS ES.pdf

Filename: Certificate of Occupancy CSAS ES.pdf Size: 151.3 kB

Site 1 Fire Inspection Report

This is required, marked optional for administrative purposes.

2022-23 Fire Inspection CSAS ES.pdf

Filename: 2022-23 Fire Inspection CSAS ES.pdf Size: 572.0 kB

School Site 2

m2. SCHOOL SITES

Please provide information on Site 2 for the upcoming school year.

	Physical Address	Phone Number	District/CSD	Grades to be Served at Site for previous year (K-5, 6-9, etc.)	Grades to be Served at Site for coming year (K-5, 6-9, etc.)	Receives Rental Assistance for Which Grades (If yes, enter the appropriate grades. If no, enter No).
Site 2	7053 Buckley Rd, Liverpool, NY 13088	315-671-0874	Syracuse	6-7	6-8	No

m2a. Please provide the contact information for Site 2.

	Name	Title	Work Phone	Alternate Phone	Email Address
School Leader	Erdal Duman	Dean of School	315-671-0874		<u>e.duman@sany.</u> <u>org</u>
Operational Leader	Heidi Perry	Operations Manager	315-671-0874		<u>h.perry@sany.or</u> g.
Compliance Contact	Erdal Duman	Dean of School	315-671-0874		<u>e.duman@sany.</u> <u>org</u>
Complaint Contact	Alonzo Graham	Student Affairs Officer	315-671-0874		<u>a.graham@sany.</u> <u>org</u>
DASA Coordinator	Alonzo Graham	Student Affairs Officer	315-671-0874		<u>a.graham@sany.</u> <u>org</u>
Phone Contact for After Hours Emergencies	Heidi Perry	Operations Manager	315-278-8503		<u>h.perry@sany.or</u> g.

Private Space

IF LOCATED IN PRIVATE SPACE IN NYC OR IN DISTRICTS OUTSIDE NYC

m1d. Upload a current Certificate of Occupancy (COO) and the annual Fire Inspection Report for school site 2 if located in private space in NYC or located outside of NYC.

Certificate of Occupancy and Fire Inspection. Provide a copy of a current and non-expired certificate of occupancy (if outside NYC or in private space in NYC). For schools that are not in district space (NYC colocations), provide a copy of a current and non-expired certificate of occupancy, and a copy of the current annual fire inspection results, which should be dated on or after July 1, 2023.

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Site 1 Certificate of Occupancy (COO)

Certificate of Occupancy CSAS MS.pdf

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Site 2 Fire Inspection Report

This is required, marked optional for administrative purposes.

2022-23 Fire Inspection CSAS MS.pdf

Filename: 2022-23 Fire Inspection CSAS MS.pdf Size: 397.7 kB

n. List of owned, rented, leased facilities <u>not used</u> to educate students

Separate by semi-colon (;)

N/A

o. Were there any revisions to the school's charter during the 2022-2023 school year? (Please include approved or pending material and non-material charter revisions).

Please note, listing the revisions here does not constitute a request. Schools are advised to seek revision requests through their authorizer directly.

No

ATTESTATIONS

p. Individual Primarily Responsible for Submitting the Annual Report. (To write type in a phone number with an extension, please use this format: 123-456-7890-3. The dash and number 3 at the end of the phone number refers to the individual's phone extension. Do not type in the work extension or the abbreviation for it - just the dash and the extension number after the phone number).

Name	Bekir Duz
Position	Assistant Superintendent of Accountability
Phone/Extension	315-671-5470
Email	duz@sany.org

q. Our signatures (Executive Director/School Leader/Head of School and Board President) below attest that all of the information contained herein is truthful and accurate and that this charter school is in compliance with all aspects of its charter, and with all pertinent Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and rules. We understand that if any information in any part of this report is found to have been deliberately misrepresented, that will constitute grounds for the revocation of our charter. Click YES to agree and then use the mouse on your PC or the stylus on your mobile device to sign your name).

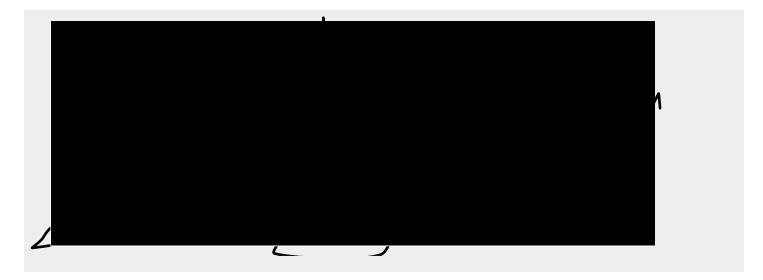
Responses Selected:

Our signatures (Executive Director/School Leader/Head of School and Board President) below attest that our school has reviewed, understands and will comply with the employee clearance and fingerprint requirements as outlined in Entry 10 and found in the <u>NYSED CSO Fingerprint Clearance Oct 2019 Memo</u>. Click YES to agree.

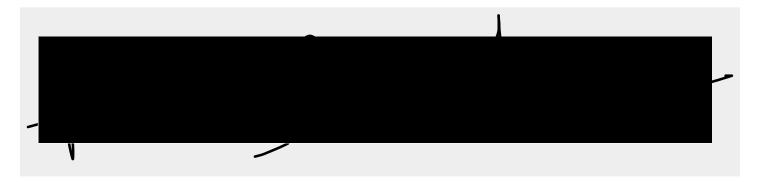
Responses Selected:

Yes

Signature, Head of Charter School



Signature, President of the Board of Trustees



Jul 18 2023



Entry 2 Links to Critical Documents on School Website

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions

<u>Required of ALL Charter Schools noting that SUNY-authorized charter schools are not required to submit item</u> <u>5: Authorizer-approved DASA policy</u> and NYSED-Approved School Discipline Policy

By law, each charter school is required to maintain certain notices and policies listed on its website. Please insert the link from the school's website for each of the items:

- 1. Current Annual Report (i.e., 2021-2022 Annual Report);[1]
- 2. Board meeting notices, agendas and documents;
- 3. New York State School Report Card;
- 4. Authorizer-approved DASA Policy and NYSED-Approved School Discipline Policy (For Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY);
- 5. District-wide safety plan, not a building level safety plan (as per the September 2021 <u>Emergency Response</u> <u>Plan Memo;</u>
- 6. Authorizer-approved FOIL Policy; and
- 7. Subject matter list of FOIL records. (Example: See NYSED Subject Matter List)

[1] Each charter school is required to make the Annual Report publicly available by August 1 and to post on their respective charter school website. Each school should post an updated and complete version to include accountability data and financial statements that are not or may not be available until after the August deadline (i.e., Repost when financials have been submitted in November.)

Form for Entry 2 Links to Critical Documents on School Website

School Name: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Charter School

Required of ALL Charter Schools noting that SUNY-authorized charter schools are not required to submit item

4: Authorizer-approved DASA policy and NYSED-Approved School Discipline Policy

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New York State Report Card

Emergency Response Plan Memo

NYSED Subject Matter List

	Link to Documents
1. Current Annual Report (i.e., 2022-2023 Annual Report)	https://www.csasyracuse.org/about-us/required- notifications/reports/annual-report
2. Board meeting notices, agendas and documents	https://www.csasyracuse.org/about-us/governance
3. New York State School Report Card	https://www.csasyracuse.org/about-us/required- notifications/reports/nys-school-report-card
4. Authorizer-approved DASA Policy and NYSED- Approved School Discipline Policy (For Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY)	https://www.csasyracuse.org/students- parents/policies/dasa-policy
5. District-wide safety plan, not a building level safety plan (as per the September 2021 Emergency Response Plan Memo	https://www.csasyracuse.org/about-us/required- notifications/emergency-and-safety-plan
6. Authorizer-approved FOIL Policy	https://www.csasyracuse.org/about-us/required- notifications/foil/foil-policy
7. Subject matter list of FOIL records. (Example: See NYSED Subject Matter List)	https://www.csasyracuse.org/about-us/required- notifications/foil/subject-matter-list-of-foil-records



Entry 3 Progress Toward Goals

Completed - Nov 1 2023

Instructions

Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

The following tables reflect formatting in the online portal required for Board of Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE authorized charter schools only. These charter schools should report all Progress Toward Charter Goals as per their currently approved charters no later than **November 1, 2023**.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

Entry 3 Progress Toward Goals

PROGRESS TOWARD CHARTER GOALS

Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

Complete the tables provided. List each goal and measure as contained in the school's currently approved charter, and indicate whether the school has met or not met the goal. Please provide information for all goals no later than November 1, 2023.

1. ACADEMIC STUDENT PERFORMANCE GOALS

Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

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2022-2023 Progress Toward Attainment of Academic Goals

	Academic Student Performance Goal	Measure Used to Evaluate Progress Toward Attainment of Goal	Goal - Met, Not Met or Unable to Assess	If not met, describe efforts the school will take to meet goal. If unable to assess goal, type N/A for Not Applicable
Academic Goal 1	Percentage of students in the school maintaining a proficient testing level or trending toward proficiency from one year's test administration to the next will be 75% or higher.	School Data	Not Met	A Comprehensive Plan for raising English Language Arts Proficiency Levels Introduction: This plan outlines a comprehensive strategy for increasing the percentage of students who move up in proficiency levels on the New York State English Language Arts test to meet Academic Goal #1. To achieve this ambitious target this year, we will utilize our existing resources effectively and implement additional strategies. We understand this is a significant challenge, but we are committed to providing our students with the best possible education.

Set Clear Objectives: - Identify specific proficiency levels that need improvement (e.g., reading comprehension, writing, vocabulary). - Utilize data from formative assessments: the New York State test, iReady, STAR, and CKLA to identify areas of weakness for individual students and groups. - Set clear, measurable objectives to track progress throughout the year. 2. Enhance CKLA

Implementation: - Review CKLA curriculum to ensure alignment with state standards and learning objectives, prioritizing highfrequency standards on the State Test. - Provide ongoing professional development for teachers to maximize the effectiveness of CKLA. - Monitor and evaluate the use of CKLA to ensure it is engaging and addressing the

diverse needs of the

students.

3. In-Class Guided Reading Groups: - Implement differentiated instruction by creating small reading groups based on individual student needs, using researchbased lessons. - Develop and regularly update a system for tracking and assessing students' progress in these groups. - Provide training and resources for teachers to effectively manage and facilitate these groups through inhouse PDs from Academic Coaches and Coordinators. 4. Reading Specialists and

Specialists and Targeted Instruction: - Collaborate closely with reading specialists to identify students who require targeted support and add those students to the appropriate caseloads to target those needs. - Utilize the expertise of reading specialists to design and implement focused

interventions. - Regularly assess and adjust the targeted instruction based on student progress.

5. Support and Resources for Teachers: - Ensure teachers can access the latest English Language Arts education research and resources, supplemented by Academic Coaches and Coordinators through PDs. - Encourage collaboration among teachers to share best practices and strategies through interventions in highperforming classrooms. - Provide regular opportunities for professional development related to ELA instruction.

6. Family and
Community
Engagement:

Host regular
meetings and
workshops to inform
parents about the
importance of
English Language
Arts education and
ways they can
support their

children's learning at home. - Engage the community in reading programs, such as a community book club, book fair, and literacy nights. - Promote a positive learning environment by involving parents in the school's efforts to improve proficiency. 7. Monitor and Adjust: - Regularly review and analyze data to assess the effectiveness of our strategies. - Adjust the plan based on data insights and teacher feedback. - Maintain open lines of communication with all stakeholders to ensure they are aware of progress and involved in the improvement process. Additional Strategies: - Consider extending instructional time with before- or afterschool programs like Saturday Scholars. - Evaluate the possibility of one-onone tutoring or peer mentoring programs

for struggling students. - Explore technology-based resources to provide personalized learning opportunities.

Conclusion: This plan combines existing resources and strategies with innovative approaches to improve proficiency levels in English Language Arts. Our commitment to datadriven decisionmaking, professional development, and collaboration among stakeholders will ensure that we are well-prepared to work towards meeting Academic Goal #1. We understand that this is a significant undertaking, but we are confident that we can achieve success for our students by working together.

A Comprehensive Plan for raising Mathematics Proficiency Levels

Introduction: The school is committed to improving mathematics proficiency levels for our students. This plan outlines the school's strategies, primarily leveraging the EngageNY program, implementing inclass math intervention groups, and utilizing math specialists. Additionally, we will explore other potential strategies to ensure we meet the state's requirements. 1. EngageNY Program Enhancement: - Alignment and Data Analysis: Review and align the current curriculum to the New York State test standards. Ensure all teaching materials, lesson plans, and assessments align

with the test content.

- Professional Development: Provide ongoing training and support

for teachers to maximize their effectiveness in

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implementing the EngageNY program. This includes training on best practices, differentiation, and data analysis, emphasizing research-based efforts. - Monitor Progress: Regularly assess student progress using benchmark assessments and adjust intervention practices to address specific learning gaps. 2. In-Class Math Intervention Groups: - Targeted Support: Implement a tiered intervention system to provide additional support to struggling students. These groups will be flexible, with students moving in and out based on their progress. - Differentiated Instruction: Tailor instruction to meet the specific needs of each group. Use data to identify areas where students are struggling and design interventions accordingly. - Regular Assessments: Conduct regular

formative assessments to measure the effectiveness of interventions and adjust strategies accordingly.

3. Math Specialists: - Identifying Struggling Students: Collaborate with teachers to identify students needing intensive support. Math specialists will work with these students in small groups. - Targeted Skill Instruction: Specialists will focus on specific skills and concepts that students struggle with, providing personalized instruction and remediation utilizing standard-based instructional strategies and tools such as iReady. - Progress Monitoring: Regularly track students' progress in the intervention groups, adjusting strategies as necessary.

4. AdditionalStrategies:ParentInvolvement: Fostera solid home-school

partnership by providing resources and information to parents. Encourage their involvement in supporting students' math learning. - Extended Learning Opportunities: Offer after-school or weekend math programs for students who need extra help or enrichment. - Peer Tutoring: Implement a peer tutoring program where higherachieving students can assist struggling students. - Positive Incentives: Create a rewards system to motivate and recognize students who progress significantly in math proficiency. 5. Data-Driven Approach: - Establish a data team responsible for analyzing student performance data. - Use data to identify trends areas of improvement, and measure the success of the strategies implemented.

6. Continuous Improvement:

				 Regularly review and adapt the plan based on ongoing assessment results and feedback from teachers, specialists, and students. 7. Communication: Maintain open and transparent communication with parents, teachers, and students regarding the plan's progress and results. Conclusion: This comprehensive plan outlines the strategies to improve mathematics proficiency levels for our students. By implementing these strategies and continuously monitoring progress, the school is committed to progressing towards meeting Academic Goal #1. Collaboration, professional development, data- driven decision-
				development, data-
Academic Goal 2	Percentage of students who score proficiently on 3 8	School, District, and State Data	Unable to Assess	N/A

	state assessments for all students at the school level will be at district average or higher.			
Academic Goal 3	4 year and 5 year graduation rate for all students will be 80% or higher.	School Data	Unable to Assess	N/A
Academic Goal 4	Percentage of all students in a cohort that have passed 3 out of 5 Regents exams required for graduation by their 3rd year of high school will be 75% or higher.	School Data	Unable to Assess	N/A
Academic Goal 5	4 year and 5 year graduation rate for students identified as economically disadvantaged, students with disabilities, and English language learners will be 80% or higher.	School Data	Unable to Assess	N/A
Academic Goal 6				
Academic Goal 7				
Academic Goal 8				
Academic Goal 9				
Academic Goal 10				

2. Do have more academic goals to add?

No

For the 2022-2023 school year, any organization goals that cannot be evaluated due to school closure resulting in a lack of data and changes in testing, surveying, and other usual practices should be reported as "N/A".

2022-2023 Progress Toward Attainment of Organization Goals

	Organizational Goal	Measure Used to Evaluate Progress	Goal - Met, Not Met, or Unable to Assess	If not met, describe efforts the school will take to meet goal. If unable to assess goal, type N/A for Not Applicable
Org Goal 1	ESEA accountability designation will be at least "Good Standing"	School Data	Unable to Assess	N/A
Org Goal 2	Out of school suspensions will be less than 10%	School Records	Met	
Org Goal 3	School will retain 85% of students or higher each year	School Records & BEDS reports	Met	
Org Goal 4	Parent satisfaction will be 85% or higher.	Parent Survey	Met	
Org Goal 5	Board of Trustees will have minimum 10 meetings per year	Meeting Minutes	Met	
Org Goal 6	School will have 10% of the juniors and seniors working at college level (i.e. taking college credits, involved in research)	Number of students enrolled in college credit courses	Unable to Assess	N/A
Org Goal 7	10% of of the middle and high school students will participate in STEAM related fairs, Olympiads and competitions	"Number of Science Olympiads and Science fairs participated and organized"	Met	
Org Goal 8		31 / 54		

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Org Goal 13		
Org Goal 14		
Org Goal 15		
Org Goal 16		
Org Goal 17		
Org Goal 18		
Org Goal 19		
Org Goal 20		

5. Do have more organizational goals to add?

No

6. FINANCIAL GOALS

2022-2023 Progress Toward Attainment of Financial Goals

	Financial Goals	Measure Used to Evaluate Progress	Goal - Met, Not Met, or Partially Met	If not met, describe efforts the school will take to meet goal.
Financial Goal 1	School will operate within its approved budget with no deficit	School budget	Met	
Financial Goal 2	School will have no major findings in annual audit	Audit report	Met	
Financial Goal 3				
Financial Goal 4				
Financial Goal 5				

7. Do have more financial goals to add?

No

Thank you.

Entry 3 Accountability Plan Progress Reports

Incomplete - Hidden from applicant

Instructions

SUNY-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY- Complete Template and Upload to Epicenter

SUNY-authorized charter schools must download an Accountability Plan Progress Report template at <u>Accountability</u> <u>Plan Progress Report</u>. After completing, SUNY-authorized charter schools must upload the document into the Annual Report Portal, **and** into the SUNY Epicenter document management system by September 15, 2023.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

Entry 4 - Audited Financial Statements

Completed - Oct 31 2023

Required of ALL Charter Schools

ALL SUNY-authorized charter schools must upload the financial statements and related documents in PDF format into the <u>Annual Report Portal</u> and into the SUNY Epicenter document management system no later than **November**

1, 2023. SUNY-authorized charter schools are asked to ensure that security features such as password protection are turned off.

ALL Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE-authorized charter schools must upload final, audited financial statements to the <u>Annual Report Portal</u> no later than November 1, 2023. Upload the independent auditor's report, any advisory and/or management letter, and the internal controls report as one submission, combined into a PDF file, ensuring that security features such as password protections are removed from all school uploaded documents.

PLEASE NOTE: This task appears as visible and optional task in the online portal until August 1 2023 but will be identified as a required task thereafter and due on November 1, 2023. This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

2023 Audited Financials

Filename: 2023_Audited_Financials_SFdfyqG.pdf Size: 715.6 kB

Entry 4a – Audited Financial Report Template (SUNY)

Incomplete - Hidden from applicant

Instructions - SUNY-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

SUNY-authorized schools must download the Excel spreadsheet entitled "Audited Financial Statement Template" at <u>http://www.newyorkcharters.org/fiscal/</u>. After completing, schools must upload the document into the <u>Annual Report</u> <u>Portal</u> and into the SUNY Epicenter document management system no later than **November 1, 2023.**

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

Entry 4b – Audited Financial Report Template (BOR/NYC/BOE)

Completed - Oct 31 2023

Instructions - Regents-Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

Regents-authorized schools must download and complete the Excel spreadsheet entitled "Audited Financial Report Template" from the online portal or the <u>2022-2023 Annual Reports</u> webpage. Upload the completed file in Excel format and submit by **November 1, 2023**.

Please complete one spreadsheet at the Education Corporation level and submit the same spreadsheet for each of the schools.

EDUCATION CORPORATIONS WITH MORE THAN ONE SCHOOL SHOULD COMPLETE THE EXCEL SPREADSHEET FOR THE EDUCATION CORPORATION AS A WHOLE, NOT FOR THE INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS. PLEASE SUBMIT THE SAME EXCEL SPREADSHEET FOR EACH OF THE SCHOOLS.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

SANY Audited Financial Statements-Citizenship&Science 23

Filename: SANY_Audited_Financial_Statements_RyNvnwJ.xlsx Size: 74.3 kB

Entry 4c – Additional Financial Documents

Completed - Oct 31 2023

Regents, NYCDOE and Buffalo BOE authorized schools must upload financial documents and submit by **November 1, 2023**. The items listed below should be uploaded, with an explanation if not applicable or available. For example, a "federal Single Audit was not required because the school did not expend federal funds of more than the \$750,000 Threshold."

- 1. Advisory and/or Management letter
- 2. Federal Single Audit
- 3. Agreed-Upon Procedure Report
- 4. Evidence of Required Escrow Account for each school[1]
- 5. Corrective Action Plan for Audit Findings and Management Letter Recommendations

[1] Note: For BOR schools chartered or renewed after the 2017-2018 school year, the escrow account per school is \$100,000.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

2023 Additional Requested Responses

Filename: 2023_Additional_Requested_Response_5Gi75O3.pdf Size: 253.4 kB

Entry 4d - Financial Contact Information

Completed - Oct 31 2023

Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE authorized schools should enter financial contact information directly into the form within the portal by **November 1, 2023**.

Form for "Financial Contact Information"

1. School Based Fiscal Contact Information

School Based Fiscal	School Based Fiscal	School Based Fiscal
Contact Name	Contact Email	Contact Phone
Yusuf Akyar	<u>akyar@sany.org</u>	

2. Audit Firm Contact Information

School Audit Contact	School Audit Contact	School Audit Contact	Years Working With
Name	Email	Phone	This Audit Firm
Jeanne M. Beutner, CPA	j <u>beutner@heveroncp</u> <u>a.com</u>	585-232-2956	

3. If applicable, please provide contact information for the school's outsourced financial services firm.

	Firm Name	Contact Person	Mailing Address	Email	Phone	Years With Firm

Entry 5 – Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

Completed - Oct 31 2023

<u>SUNY-authorized charter schools</u> should download the <u>2023-2024 Budget and Quarterly Report Template and the</u> <u>2023-2024 Budget Narrative Questionnaire</u> from the SUNY website and upload the completed templates into the Annual Report Portal and into the Epicenter document management system. **Due November 1, 2023**.

<u>Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE authorized charter schools</u> should upload a copy of the school's FY22 Budget using the <u>2023-2024 Budget Template</u> into the Annual Report Portal or from the Annual Report website. **Due November 1, 2023**.

The Assumptions column should be completed for all revenue and expense items unless the item is self-explanatory. Where applicable, reference the page number or section in the application narrative that indicates the assumption being made. For instance, student enrollment would reference the applicable page number in Section I, C of the application narrative.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

2023-2024 CSAS BUDGET

Filename: 2023-2024_CSAS_BUDGET.xlsx Size: 38.3 kB

Entry 6 – Board of Trustees Disclosure of Financial Interest Form

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Required of ALL Charter Schools

Each member of the charter school's Board of Trustees who served on a charter school education corporation governing one or more charter schools for any period during the 2022-2023 school year must complete and sign a Trustee <u>Disclosure of Financial Interest Form</u> is due on August 1, 2023. Acceptable signature formats include:

- Digitally certified PDF signature (i.e., DocuSign)
- Manual signature (1. download to print, 2. manually sign, 3. scan signed document to PDF, and 4. upload into portal)

All completed forms must be collected and uploaded in .PDF format for each individual member. **The education** corporation is responsible for ensuring that each member who served on the board during the 2022-2023 school year completes the form.

Charter schools **must** submit the latest version of the form. Forms completed from past years will not be accepted.

Trustees serving on an education corporation that governs more than one school are not required to complete a separate disclosure for each school governed by the education corporation. In the Trustee Disclosure of Financial Interest Form, trustees must disclose information relevant to any of the schools served by the governing education corporation.

3-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Dr

Filename: 3-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__5nAVviM.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

4-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Jawwaad Rasheed

Filename: 4-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__rgtoDMu.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

6-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Lindsay Cray

Filename: 6-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__urn4nG1.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

2-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Dr

Filename: 2-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__9s4Y7QF.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

7-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Jodie DeAugustine

Filename: 7-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__6hu7T2z.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

<u>1-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Dr</u>

Filename: 1-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__Ochl02n.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

5-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Channel Turnquest

Filename: 5-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__xeugjF7.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

8-2023 Financial Disclosure Form- Samantha Tunquest

Filename: 8-2023_Financial_Disclosure_Form-__25bxzyl.pdf Size: 1.2 MB

Entry 7 BOT Membership Table

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions

Required of ALL charter schools

ALL charter schools or education corporations governing multiple schools must complete the Board of Trustees Membership Table within the online portal. Please be sure to include and identify parents who are members of the Board of Trustees and indicate whether parents are voting or non-voting members.

Entry 7 BOT Table

- 1. SUNY-AUTHORIZED charter schools are required to provide information for VOTING Trustees only.
- 2. REGENTS, NYCDOE, and BUFFALO BOE-AUTHORIZED charter schools are required to provide information

for all --VOTING and NON-VOTING-- trustees.

Authorizer:

Who is the authorizer of your charter school?

Board of Regents

1. 2022-2023 Board Member Information (Enter info for each BOT member)

	Trustee Name	Trustee Email Address	Position on the Board	Committe e Affiliation s	Voting Member Per By- Laws (Y/N)	Number of Complet ed Terms Served	Start Date of Current Term (MM/DD/ YYYY)	End Date of Current Term (MM/DD/ YYYY)	Board Meetings Attended During 2022- 2023
1	Fehmi Damkaci		Chair	Academi c Committe e Lead, Financial	Yes	6	8/1/2020	8/1/2023	12
2	Murat Baysal		Vice Chair	Academi c	Yes	3	8/1/2021	8/1/2024	11
3	Coskun Cetinkay a		Treasure r	Academi c	Yes	2	8/1/2021	8/1/2024	5 or less
4	Jawwaad Rasheed		Trustee/ Member	Academi c	Yes	3	8/1/2020	8/1/2023	7
5	Channel Turnque st		Trustee/ Member	Outreach	Yes	4	8/1/2022	11/1/202 2	5 or less
6	Lindsay Cray		Trustee/ Member	Outreach , Lead	Yes	2	8/1/2022	8/1/2025	8
7	Jodi DeAugus tine		Trustee/ Member	Financial	Yes	1	12/1/202 1	8/1/2023	11
8	Samanth aTurnqu est		Trustee/ Member	Outreach , Lead	Yes	1	12/1/202 2	8/1/2025	6
9									

No

2. INFORMATION ABOUT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- 1. SUNY-AUTHORIZED charter schools provide response relative to VOTING Trustees only.
- 2. REGENTS, NYCDOE, and BUFFALO BOE-AUTHORIZED charter schools provide a response relative to all trustees.

a. Total Number of BOT Members on June 30, 2023	7
b.Total Number of Members Added During 2022-2023	1
c. Total Number of Members who Departed during 2022- 2023	1
d.Total Number of members, as set in Bylaws, Resolution or Minutes	9

3. Number of Board meetings held during 2022-2023

12

4. Number of Board meetings scheduled for 2023-2024

12

Total number of Voting Members on June 30, 2023:

7

1

Total number of Voting Members who departed during the 2022-2023 school year:

1

Total Maximum Number of Voting members in 2022-2023, as set by the board in bylaws, resolution, or minutes:

9

Total number of Non-Voting Members on June 30, 2023:

0

Total number of Non-Voting Members added during the 2022-2023 school year:

0

Total number of Non-Voting Members who departed during the 2022-2023 school year:

0

Total Maximum Number of Non-Voting members in 2022-2023, as set by the board in bylaws, resolution or minutes:

0

5

Thank you.

Entry 8 Board Meeting Minutes

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions - Required of Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE Authorized Schools ONLY

Schools must upload a complete set of monthly board meeting minutes (July 2022-June 2023), which should <u>match</u> the number of meetings held during the 2022-2023 school year, as indicated in the above table. The minutes provided must be the final version approved by the school's Board of Trustees and may be uploaded individually or as one single combined file. Board meeting minutes must be submitted by **August 1, 2023**.

2022-2023-Board-Meeting-Minutes

Filename: 2022-2023-Board-Meeting-Minutes_K67ZB28.pdf Size: 2.6 MB

Entry 9 Enrollment & Retention

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions for submitting Enrollment and Retention Efforts

Required of ALL Charter Schools

Describe the good faith efforts the charter school has made in 2022-2023 toward meeting targets to attract and retain the enrollment of Students with Disabilities (SWDs), English Language Learners (ELLs), and students who are economically disadvantaged. In addition, describe the school's plans for meeting or making progress toward meeting its enrollment and retention targets in 2023-2024.

*SUNY-authorized charter schools

The education corporation must include a plan for the charter to meet or exceed enrollment and retention targets established by the SUNY Trustees for students with disabilities, ELLs, and students who are eligible to participate in the FRPL program. See the <u>enrollment and retention target calculator</u> to find specific targets.

Entry 9 Enrollment and Retention of Special Populations

	Describe Recruitment Efforts in	Describe Recruitment Plans in 2023-
	2022-2023	2024
Economically Disadvantaged	 § Holding open houses for students and their parents to present school design/services § Holding virtual open houses for students and their parents to present school design/services § Targeted mailing for those who have income less than \$50,000 and school age children § Advertising on media spots, including low profile and free news outlets to reach out to lower socioeconomic populations § Attend community pre-k fairs to promote programming § Hosted recruitment booths at locations in the community, including Destiny USA and International Taste Festival § Mailed boxes of recruitment materials (i.e. coloring books, crayons, water bottles) to over 30 local daycare centers 	 § Holding open houses for students and parents to present school and programming § Continue to develop relationships with local nonprofits and community agencies to provide opportunities for our students § Attend community daycare and pre-k agencies to promote the school and programming § Post flyers in local establishments such as the Boys and Girls Club, WIC office, 3 PEACE buildings, Catholic Charities § Invite Community Resources to all family events § Host recruitment booths at locations in the community, including Destiny USA and International Taste Festival
English Language Learners	 § Emphasizing the ELL services in the flyers and informational meetings to attract students from those populations. § Making current website and 	 § Holding open houses for students and their parents to present school design/services § Attend community agencies and events to advertise the school and
	brochure highlights better chance for ELL students to enroll	programming § Making current website and
	§ Using Google translator for its 42 / 54	brochure highlights better chance

	website and online application form	for ELL students to enroll
	to make them available in multiple	
	languages	§ Using Google translator and class
		DOJO for its website and online
	§ Requesting the address of	application form to make them
	parents with ELL students from district for direct mailing	available in multiple languages
		§ Shared brochures and flyers with
	§ Providing after-school ELL	local churches of various religions
	program, including parents, to	and refugee communities
	educate them on US culture and	
	education system to make them	§ The Elementary School will host a
	more welcomed	Heritage Day in October and invite
		families/ members of their
	§ Giving preference to ELL students during lottery drawing	communities
		§ The Elementary School will honor
	§Survey and meet with parents to	Global Diversity Awareness month in
	promote relationships and elicit	October of 2023 by inviting families
	improvement based feedback	and community members in to read
		in their native language
	§ At the Elementary Level, we	
	formed a partnership with Interfaith	§ Offering addiitonal and alternate
	Works. We accepted 7 students and	options for completing registration
	currently work with 2 caseworkers	paperwork in person
	§ Fliers passed out at 3 PEACE	§ Continue to partner with Interfaith
	buildings, Northside Learning	Works and assist refugee families in
	Center, Arise and other local	enrolling students into school
	agencies that support ELL students	
Students with Disabilities	§ Making sure the regular classroom	§ Making sure the regular classroom
	teachers are updated about the	teachers are updated about the
	special requirements of the students	special requirements of the students
	with disabilities so that students with	with disabilities so that students with
	disabilities will feel comfortable to	disabilities will feel comfortable to
	remain at CSASCS.	remain at CSASCS.
	§ Emphasizing the special	§ Emphasize the special education
	education services in the flyers and	services we offer in the informational
	informational meetings to attract	meetings/open houses
	students from those populations.	
		§ Developing relationships with local
	§ Developing relationship with local	agencies, such as: Arise, Northside
	agencies that serve students with	Learning Center, and CNY Learns
	disabilities and distribute brochures	Literacy Coalition. These agencies
	·	

to their students.	then help to distribute brochures to their students
§ Adding two special education	
teacher to provide more attractive	§ Emphasize Academic Intervention
special education programs.	Support roles within the building that
	will provide additional support to
§ Fliers passed out at locations such	students in need
as Huntington Learning Center and	
CNY Learns Literacy Coalition	§ Meet with incoming families to
	review IEP needs
	§ Share flyers with 30 local
	daycares, some of which are
	inclusive (i.e. Little Lukes)
	§ Maintaining a department of 4
	SPED teachers at the elementary
	level in order to best meet the
	needs of all students. Additionally,
	providing Speech and OT services
	in house.

	Describe Retention Efforts in 2022- 2023	Describe Retention Plans in 2023- 2024
Economically Disadvantaged	 § Universal free breakfast and lunch. § Universal free snack program § Provide safe and secure small environment. § Close connections with students' parents. § Home visits to students' houses. § Hosting donation events to provide materials and uniform support 	 § Universal free breakfast and lunch. § Provide safe and secure small environment. § Close connections with students' parents. § Home visits to students' houses. § Hosting donation events to provide materials and uniform support. § Providing uniform stipends to familes in need. § Extended time in math and ELA courses built into school-schedule § Free afterschool/ weekend tutoring and enrichment opportunities. § Providing all basic school supplies for students throughout the whole school year. § Free extracurricular after school clubs and sports (art, chorus, Pom Dance, Lacrosse, Basketball)
English Language Learners	 § Employing staff from refugee communities to have direct connection § Providing extensive ELL services in school design to expedite their proficiency level 	 § Providing extensive ELL services in school to expedite student proficiency levels (including hiring a second teacher at the primary level) § Culturally Responsive Lesson Planning with families from diverse backgrounds

	§ Culturally responsive classroom	
	planning sessions and development	§ Culturally Responsive curriculum planning
	§ Hosting cultural and diverstiy	
	based events	§ Culturally Responsive Teaching
	§ Culturally responsive professional	across all content areas
	development	§ Continued professional
		development for staff on culturally
	§ Added a second ENL teacher at the Elementary School	responsive teaching
	the Elementary School	§ Extended time in math and ELA
		courses built into school-schedule
		§ Free afterschool tutoring and
		enrichment opportunities - including
		Saturday Scholars STEM with an ENL section
		§ Offering addiitonal and alternate
		options for completing registration paperwork in person
		§ Use translation services to assist in communicating with ELL families
		§ Surveying current families to
		improve practices and ensure needs are being met inside and outside of school
Students with Disabilities	§ Making sure the regular classroom	§ Making sure the regular classroom
	teachers are updated about the	teachers are updated about the
	special requirements of the students with disabilities so that students with	special requirements of the students with disabilities so that students with
	disabilities will feel comfortable to remain at CSASCS.	disabilities will feel comfortable to remain at CSASCS.
	§ Emphasizing the special	§ Continued professional
	education services in the flyers and	development opportunities for
	informational meetings to attract students from those populations.	teachers to increase knowledge and skillset for working with students with disabilities
	§ Developing relationship with local	
	agencies that serve students with	§ Emphasizing special education
	disabilities and distribute brochures 46 / 54	services in flyers and informational

to their students.	meetings to attract students
§ Adding two special education teachers to provide more attractive special education programs.	§ Extended time in math and ELA courses built into school-schedule
§ Parent workshops discussing special education services, parental	§ Free afterschool/ before schooltutoring and enrichment opportunities
involvement and IEP implementation.	§ Emphasize Academic Intervention Support roles within the building that
§ Home visits to students' houses.	will provide additional support to students in need § Meet with families to review IEP
	needs § Continue to assess current IEP
	students to provide additional services where needed
	§ Maintaining a department of 4 SPED teachers at the elementary level in order to best meet the needs of all students. Additionally,
	providing Speech and OT services in house.

Entry 10 – Teacher and Administrator Attrition

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Form for "Entry 10 – Teacher and Administrator Attrition" Revised to Employee Fingerprint Requirements Attestation

Required of ALL Charter Schools

Charter schools must ensure that all prospective employees^[1] receive clearance through <u>the NYSED Office of</u> <u>School Personnel Review and Accountability</u> (OSPRA) prior to employment. This includes paraprofessionals and other school personnel who are provided or assigned by the district of location, or related/contracted service providers. After an employee has been cleared, schools are required to maintain proof of such clearance in the file of each employee. For the safety of all students, charter schools must take immediate steps to terminate the employment of individuals who have been denied clearance. Once the employees have been terminated, the school must terminate the request for clearance in the TEACH system.

In the Annual Report, charter schools are asked to confirm that all employees have been cleared through the NYSED TEACH system; and, if denied clearance, confirm that the individual or employee has been removed from the TEACH system, and is <u>not</u> employed by the school.

1. Emergency Conditional Clearances

Charter schools are **strongly discouraged** from using the emergency conditional clearance provisions for prospective employees. This is because the school must request clearance through NYSED TEACH, and the school's emergency conditional clearance of the employee terminates <u>automatically</u> once the school receives notification from NYSED regarding the clearance request. Status notification is provided for all prospective employees through the NYSED TEACH portal within 48 hours after the clearance request is submitted. Therefore, at most, a school's emergency conditional clearance will be valid for only 48 hours after approval by the board.

Schools are not permitted to renew or in any way re-establish a prospective employee's emergency conditional clearance after status notification is sent by NYSED through the TEACH portal.

Schools are asked to attest that they have reviewed and understand these requirements. More information can be found in the memo at <u>NYSED CSO Employee Clearance and Fingerprint Memo 10-2019</u>.

[1] Employees who must be cleared include, but are not limited to, teachers, administrative staff, janitors, security personnel and cafeteria workers, and other staff who are present when children are in the school building. This includes paraprofessionals and other school personnel that are provided or assigned by the district of location, as well as related/contracted service providers. See NYSED memorandum dated October 1, 2019 at http://www.nysed.gov/common/nysed/files/programs/charter-schools/employeefingerprintoct19.pdf or visit the NYSED website at: http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tsei/ospra/fingerprintingcharts.html for more information regarding who must be fingerprinted. Also see, 8 NYCRR §87.2.

Emergency Conditional Clearances

Charter schools are **strongly discouraged** from using the emergency conditional clearance provisions for prospective employees. This is because the school must request clearance through NYSED TEACH, and the school's emergency conditional clearance of the employee terminates <u>automatically</u> once the school receives notification from NYSED regarding the clearance request. Status notification is provided for all prospective employees through the NYSED TEACH portal within 48 hours after the clearance request is submitted. Therefore, at most, a school's emergency conditional clearance will be valid for only 48 hours after approval by the board.

Schools are not permitted to renew or in any way re-establish a prospective employee's emergency conditional clearance after status notification is sent by NYSED through the TEACH portal.

Schools are asked to attest that they have reviewed and understand these requirements. More information can be found in the memo at <u>NYSED CSO Employee Clearance and Fingerprint Memo 10-2019</u>.

<u>Attestation</u>

Responses Selected:

I hereby attest that the school has reviewed, understands, and will comply with these requirements.

Entry 11 Percent of Uncertified Teachers

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions

Required of Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

The table below reflects the information collected through the online portal for compliance with New York State Education Law 2854(3)(a-1) for teaching staff qualifications. Uncertified teachers are those not certified pursuant to the State Certification Requirements established by the NYSED Commissioner of Education.

Enter the relevant full-time equivalent (FTE) count of teachers in each column. For example, a school with 20 full-time teachers and 5 half-time teachers would have an FTE count of 22.5.

Entry 11 Uncertified Teachers

School Name:

Instructions for Reporting Percent of Uncertified Teachers

Required of Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

The table below reflects the information collected through the online portal for compliance with New York State Education Law 2854(3)(a-1) for teaching staff qualifications. Uncertified teachers are those not certified pursuant to the State Certification Requirements established by the NYSED Commissioner of Education.

Enter the relevant full-time equivalent (FTE) count of teachers in each column. For example, a school with 20 full-time teachers and 5 half-time teachers would have an FTE count of 22.5.

If more than one line applies to a teacher, please include in only one FTE uncertified category. Please do not include paraprofessionals, such as teacher aides.

CATEGORY A. 30% OR 5 UNCERTIFIED TEACHERS WHICHEVER IS LESS

	FTE Count
i. FTE count of uncertified teacher with at least three years of elementary, middle or secondary classroom teaching experience (as of June 30, 2023)	1
ii. FTE count of uncertified teachers who are tenured or tenure track college faculty (as of June 30, 2023)	0
iii. FTE count of uncertified teachers with two years of Teach for America experience (as of June 30, 2023)	0
iv. FTE count of uncertified teachers with exceptional business, professional, artistic, athletic, or military experience (as June 30, 2023)	0
Total Category A: 5 or 30% whichever is less	1.0

CATEGORY B. PLUS FIVE UNCERTIFIED TEACHERS IN MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, COMPUTER SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY OR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

	FTE Count
i. Mathematics	0
ii. Science	1
iii. Computer Science	1
iv. Technology	0
v. Career and Technical Education	0
Total Category B: not to exceed 5	2.0

CATEGORY C: PLUS 5 ADDITIONAL UNCERTIFIED TEACHERS

	FTE Count
i. FTE count of uncertified teacher with at least three years of elementary, middle or secondary classroom teaching experience (as of June 30, 2023)	0
ii. FTE count of uncertified teachers who are tenured or tenure track college faculty (as of June 30, 2023)	0
iii. FTE count of uncertified teachers with two years of Teach for America experience (as of June 30, 2023)	0
iv. FTE count of uncertified teachers with exceptional business, professional, artistic, athletic, or military experience (as June 30, 2023)	0
Total Category C: not to exceed 5	0.0

TOTAL FTE COUNT OF UNCERTIFIED TEACHERS (Sum of Categories A, B AND C)

(Include teachers who do not fit in one of these categories or if did fit would exceed the numerical limits for that category)

	FTE Count
Total	3

CATEGORY D: TOTAL FTE COUNT OF UNCATEGORIZED, UNCERTIFIED TEACHERS

(Include teachers who do not fit in one of these categories or if did fit would exceed the numerical limits for that category)

	FTE Count
Total Category D	0

CATEGORY E: TOTAL FTE COUNT OF CERTIFIED TEACHERS

	FTE Count
Total Category E	29

CATEGORY F: TOTAL FTE COUNT OF ALL TEACHERS

Please do not include paraprofessionals, such as teacher aides.

	FTE Count
Total Category F	32



Entry 12 Organization Chart

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions

Required of Regents, NYCDOE, and Buffalo BOE Authorized Charter Schools ONLY

Upload the 2022-2023 **Organization Chart.** The organization chart should be a graphic representation (A list will not be accepted.) and should include position titles and reporting (hierarchical) relationships. Employee names should **not** appear on the chart.

2122-SANY-OrganizationChart-CSAS

Filename: 2122-SANY-OrganizationChart-CSAS_Wf2oEep.pdf Size: 108.2 kB

Entry 13 School Calendar

Completed - Jul 20 2023

Instructions for submitting School Calendar

Required of ALL Charter Schools

If the charter school has a tentative calendar based on available information and guidance at the time, please submit with the August 1, 2023 submission. Charter schools must upload a final school calendar into the portal and may do so at any time but no later than **September 15, 2023**.

School calendars must meet the <u>minimum instructional requirements</u> as required of other public schools "... unless the school's charter requires more instructional time than is required under the regulations."

Board of Regents-authorized charter schools also are required to submit school calendars that clearly <u>indicate the</u> start and end date of the instructional year **AND** the number of instructional hours and/or instructional days for each month (also used to align to schools with extended days/years referenced in their mission statements/key design elements), See an example of a calendar showing the requested information. Schools **must** use a calendar format and ensure there is a monthly tally of instructional days.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a required task, and it is marked optional for administrative purposes only.

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INSTRUCTIONS

Required of Regents and NYCDOE-authorized Charter Schools ONLY

Please click on the MS Excel <u>Faculty/Staff Roster Template</u> and provide the following information for **ANY and ALL** instructional and non-instructional employees (all faculty and staff employed by the school during the 2022-2023 school year).

Use of the 2022-2023 Annual Report Faculty/Staff Roster Template is required. Each of the data elements, with the exception of the Notes, are required, and use of the drop-down options, when provided, is also required. Reminders: Please use the Notes section provided to add any additional information as deemed necessary. Failure to adhere to the guidelines and validations in the Faculty/Staff Roster Template will result in a resubmission of a fully corrected roster.

Here is the complete list of data elements in the roster template and an explanation of what information is required to correctly complete this task.

Roster Data Elements	Explanations
Authorizer NOTE: MUST BE DONE FIRST	Select your school's authorizer from the drop-down list first, before completing the roster.
School Name and Institution ID	Select your school's name from the drop-down list.
Faculty/Staff First Name	Enter the first name of the Faculty/Staff person.
Faculty/Staff Last Name	Enter the last name of the Faculty/Staff person.
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TEACH ID Ent	ter the 7 digit TEACH ID for the Faculty/Staff person.
	lect the best choice of role of the Faculty/Staff person m the drop-down list .
CPR/AED Certification Status Sel	lect the appropriate choice from the drop-down list.
Hire Date Ent	ter the date that the Faculty/Staff person was hired.
Start Date	ter the date that the Faculty/Staff person actually gan employment in this school.
	ter Total Years of Experience that the Faculty/Staff rson has in their current role.
	ter the Total Years that the Faculty/Staff person has en employed in this school.
Out-of-Certification Justification Sel	lect the appropriate choice from the drop-down list.
Subject Taught Sel	lect the appropriate choice from the drop-down list.
Notes Opt	tional

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SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2023





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Trustees Science Academies of New York Charter Schools Syracuse, New York

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools (a New York State nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools as of June 30, 2023, and the changes in net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



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In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not absolute assurance and therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements, including omissions, are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' 2022 financial statements, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion on those audited financial statements in our report dated October 28, 2022. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Report on Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 30, 2023 on our consideration of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Science Academies of New York Charter Schools's internal control over financial control over financial reporting and compliance.

Heveron & Company Certified Public Accountants

Rochester, New York October 30, 2023

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION June 30, 2023 and 2022

ASSETS

	2023	2022
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 5,302,419	\$ 7,511,338
Restricted Cash - Extra Classroom Funds	120,879	114,066
Accounts Receivable	466,648	1,114,568
Grants Receivable	6,202,970	3,683,153
Prepaid Expenses	615,683	272,720
Certificate of Deposit	6,128,457	
Total Current Assets	18,837,056	12,695,845
Property and Equipment		
Leasehold Improvements	15,572,738	14,495,787
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	3,194,142	2,323,623
Computer Software and Hardware	3,447,140	2,958,828
Vehicles	681,070	606,125
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	(7,831,722)	(5,760,321)
Net Property and Equipment	15,063,368	14,624,042
Other Assets		
Investments	9,914,288	9,455,189
Right-of-Use Assets - Operating Leases	11,295,635	-
Restricted Cash - Escrow Accounts	325,372	254,569
Prepaid Expenses	-	206,667
Security Deposits	297,180	225,779
Total Other Assets	21,832,475	10,142,204
TOTAL ASSETS	\$55,732,899	\$37,462,091

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	2023	2022
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ 461,651	\$ 397,092
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	2,587,902	1,981,732
Refundable Advances	5,000	644,567
Extra Classroom Funds	120,879	114,066
Current Portion of Operating Lease Liabilities	1,944,695	
Total Current Liabilities	5,120,127	3,137,457
Long-Term Liabilities		
Operating Lease Liabilities, Net of Current Portion	9,315,022	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	9,315,022	
Total Liabilities	14,435,149	3,137,457
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions		
Undesignated	29,547,750	22,574,634
Board Designated	11,750,000	11,750,000
Total Net Assets	41,297,750	34,324,634
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$55,732,899</u>	\$37,462,091

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES For The Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Revenues and Other Support:		
Public School District:		
Resident Student Enrollment	\$ 33,313,891	\$ 27,765,797
Students with Disabilities	1,163,281	718,950
Food Service:		
Food Service Income	2,087,720	1,797,606
In-Kind Food Service Income	108,893	141,266
Federal Grants	6,207,192	5,899,486
In-Kind State Grants	94,712	186,497
Employee Retention Credit	477,583	-
Other Income	408,836	81,349
Interest and Dividend Income	361,515	24,234
Net Investment Return	224,124	(569,112)
Total Revenues and Other Support	44,447,747	36,046,073
Expenses:		
Program Services:		
Regular Education	26,325,608	21,406,947
Special Education	2,346,554	1,743,131
Other Programs	2,425,325	2,172,495
Total Program Services Expense	31,097,487	25,322,573
Supporting Services:		
Management and General	6,377,144	5,124,135
Total Expenses	37,474,631	30,446,708
Change in Net Assets	6,973,116	5,599,365
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	34,324,634	28,725,269
Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$ 41,297,750</u>	\$ 34,324,634

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

(With Comparative Totals For The Year Ended June 30, 2022)

		Program Services					
		Regular	Special	Other	Management	То	tals
		Education	Education	Programs	and General	2023	2022
	No. of						
	Positions						
Personnel Service Costs							
Instructional Personnel	257	\$11,572,054	\$ 1,370,485	\$ 116,097	\$ 568,530	\$13,627,166	\$11,030,485
Non-Instructional Personnel	69	762,401	-	-	1,219,668	1,982,069	1,507,476
Administrative Personnel	51	899,801		_	2,915,590	3,815,391	3,117,065
Total Salaries and Wages	377	13,234,256	1,370,485	116,097	4,703,788	19,424,626	15,655,026
Retirement		1,534,348	59,934	-	153,001	1,747,283	1,359,129
Fringe Benefits and Payroll Taxe	es	3,707,411	235,843	8,881	346,659	4,298,794	3,504,527
Total Personnel Services		18,476,015	1,666,262	124,978	5,203,448	25,470,703	20,518,682
Building Rent and Taxes		2,137,301	192,381	-	244,078	2,573,760	1,811,699
Depreciation and Amortization		1,760,691	207,140	-	103,570	2,071,401	1,524,045
Food		_	-	1,829,628	-	1,829,628	1,655,699
Supplies and Materials		1,011,671	79,612	-	58,688	1,149,971	967,770
Repairs and Maintenance		752,642	76,762	-	69,880	899,284	653,557
Technology		481,339	34,831	-	106,056	622,226	592,602
Other Professional Services		422,591	26,765	-	28,395	477,751	374,975
Student Services		-	-	470,719	-	470,719	412,999
Utilities		381,346	43,987	-	44,836	470,169	405,455
Professional Development		272,771	3,000	-	101,489	377,260	386,380
Insurance		258,658	-	-	33,525	292,183	208,795

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023 (With Comparative Totals For The Year Ended June 30, 2022)

(Continued)

	Program Services					
	Regular	Special	Other	Management Totals		tals
	Education	Education	Programs	and General	2023	2022
Other Expenses	83,250	851	-	152,191	236,292	253,797
Equipment and Furnishings	190,942	11,463	-	27,647	230,052	295,834
Marketing and Recruitment	88,634	2,464	-	43,658	134,756	192,824
Legal Services	-	-	-	109,918	109,918	82,648
Accounting and Auditing Fees	-	-	-	32,070	32,070	28,920
Office Expense	7,757	1,036	-	15,420	24,213	20,976
Bad Debt Expense				2,275	2,275	59,051
Total Expenses	<u>\$26,325,608</u>	<u>\$ 2,346,554</u>	<u>\$ 2,425,325</u>	<u>\$ 6,377,144</u>	<u>\$37,474,631</u>	<u>\$30,446,708</u>

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For The Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	2023 2022
Cash Flow From Operating Activities	
Revenue from School Districts	\$ 34,934,216 \$ 27,948,777
Grant Revenues	3,047,808 4,223,731
Food Service Fees	2,276,321 1,729,252
Other Sources	1,247,934 105,583
Payments to Vendors for Goods and Services Rendered	(9,905,700) (7,962,399)
Payments to Charter School Personnel for Services Rendered	(24,864,535) (20,183,269)
Net Cash Flow Provided/(Used) By Operating Activities	6,736,044 5,861,675
Cash Flow From Investing Activities	
Purchase of Property and Equipment	(2,510,728) (3,126,679)
Change in Extra Classroom Funds	6,813 14,068
Purchase of Certificate of Deposit	(6,128,457) -
Proceeds from Sale of Investments	455,720 -
Purchase of Investments	(690,695) (10,024,301)
Net Cash Flow Provided/(Used) By Investing Activities	(8,867,347) (13,136,912)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash, Cash Equivalents,	
and Restricted Cash	(2,131,303) (7,275,237)
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash - Beginning of Year	7,879,973 15,155,210
Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Restricted Cash - End of Year	<u>\$ 5,748,670</u> <u>\$ 7,879,973</u>

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS **STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS** For The Years Ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 (Continued)

	 2023	2022
Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets to Net Cash		
Provided by Operating Activities		
Change in Net Assets	\$ 6,973,116 \$	5,599,365
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets		
to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Net Realized/Unrealized (Gain)/Loss on Investments	(224,124)	569,112
Depreciation and Amortization	2,071,401	1,524,045
Loss on Disposal of Assets	-	14,768
Bad Debt Expense	2,275	59,051
(Increase)/Decrease In:		
Accounts Receivable	645,645	(603,957)
Grants Receivable	(2,519,817)	(2,323,322)
Prepaid Expenses	(136,296)	(87,214)
Security Deposits	(71,401)	(15,905)
Right-of-Use Assets - Operating Leases	2,540,010	-
Increase/(Decrease) In:		
Accounts Payable	64,559	145,747
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	606,170	335,418
Operating Lease Liabilities	(2,575,927)	-
Refundable Advances	 (639,567)	644,567
Net Cash Flow Provided/(Used) By Operating Activities	\$ 6,736,044	5,861,675

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Organization

Science Academies of New York Charter Schools (the School) is a not-for-profit education corporation that operates four public charter schools. Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School maintains grades K-12 in Syracuse, NY. Utica Academy of Science Charter School maintains grades K-12 in Utica, NY. Citizenship and Science Academy of Syracuse Charter School maintains grades K-7 and plans to expand to grade 12 by 2027. Citizenship and Science Academy of Rochester Charter School maintains grades K-2 and plans to expand to grade 6 by 2027. All four charters place a special emphasis on math, science, and technology. The School seeks to empower students through high intellectual standards and prepare them for college, career, and citizenship. The School obtains its revenue mainly from charter school basic tuition from the Syracuse City School District, Utica City School District, Rochester City School District, and a few other surrounding school districts, in addition to food service, and state and federal grants.

The main programs of the School are as follows:

REGULAR EDUCATION: The School's curriculum is focused on mathematics, science, and technology. The School seeks to graduate students who can think critically and creatively who are committed to a lifetime of learning and civic involvement, and who are conscious of local, global, and environmental issues. All courses align with the New York State Learning Standards.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: The School is open to all children and does not discriminate on the basis of ethnicity, national origin, gender, disability, or any other grounds that would be unlawful or deny the civil rights of any individual. In accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Rehabilitation Act, Section 504, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, the School provides a free and appropriate education, in the least restrictive environment to students with disabilities. The primary service delivery for students with special needs is inclusion. Services for students requiring supplemental services are provided by the Syracuse, Utica, and Rochester City School Districts.

OTHER PROGRAMS: Other programs include food services, athletics, and extra-curricular activities.

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The significant accounting policies followed are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to the reader.

Net Assets

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the School reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to the existence or absence of donor or grantor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions – Net assets available for use in general operations and not subject to donor (or certain grantor) restrictions. The board did designate funds. See Note 8 for more information.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions – Net assets subject to donor (or certain grantor) imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature, such as those that will be met by the passage of time or other events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Donor-imposed restrictions are released when a restriction expires, that is, when the stipulated time has elapsed, when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled, or both.

Contributions restricted by donors are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions expire (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished) in the reporting period in which the revenue is recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions, based on the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

There were no net assets with donor restrictions at June 30, 2023 and 2022.

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Accounts and Grants Receivable

Receivables are stated at the amount management expects to collect. Amounts that management believes to be uncollectible after collection efforts have been completed are written off. In addition, management evaluates the need for, and if appropriate, provides an allowance to reduce receivables to amounts management expects will be collected. Management determined that no allowances were necessary at June 30, 2023 and 2022.

Revenue and Revenue Recognition

A portion of the School's revenue is derived from cost-reimbursable federal and state contracts and grants, which are conditioned upon certain performance requirements and/or the incurrence of allowable qualifying expenses. Amounts received are recognized as revenue when the School has incurred expenditures in compliance with specific contract or grant provisions. Amounts received prior to incurring qualifying expenditures are reported as refundable advances in the statement of financial position. The School was awarded cost-reimbursable grants of \$3,367,991 and \$7,152,051 that have not been recognized at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively, because qualifying expenditures have not yet been incurred, with advance payments of \$5,000 and \$644,567 recognized in the statement of financial position as refundable advances at June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The School recognizes revenue derived from tuition and food service. Tuition income is recognized during the school year based on enrollment. Food service revenue is recognized when earned at the time of service.

Contributions

The School recognizes contributions when cash, securities or other assets, an unconditional promise to give, or a notification of a beneficial interest is received. Contributions that are expected to be received in future years are recorded at their present value. Conditional promises to give, that is, those with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return, are not recognized until the conditions on which they depend have been met.

Income Taxes

The Internal Revenue Service has determined that the School is qualified as a charity exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. As a result, no provision for federal or state income taxes has been made.

Advertising

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred.

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are stated at cost. The School capitalizes property and equipment with an estimated life of 2 or more years and amounts over the following thresholds:

	Cost
Leasehold Improvements	\$5,000
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	\$2,000
Computer Software and Hardware	\$2,000

Furniture, fixtures, and equipment purchased as a bundle greater than \$25,000 will also be capitalized, and all land and vehicle acquisitions are capitalized. Depreciation and amortization is computed using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

	Years
Leasehold Improvements	3-40
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	5-10
Computer Software and Hardware	3-10
Vehicles	5-10

Depreciation and amortization expense amounted to \$2,071,401 and \$1,524,045 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Functional Expenses

The costs of providing the various program services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among program, and management and general services. An immaterial amount of fundraising costs for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 are included in management and general expenses.

The financial statements report certain categories of expenses that are attributed to both program, and management and general functions. Therefore, allocation on a reasonable basis that is consistently applied is required. The expenses that are allocated include occupancy, repairs and maintenance, insurance and depreciation, which are allocated on a square footage basis, as well as salaries and wages, benefits, payroll taxes, other purchased services, student services, supplies, office expenses, and other expenses, which are allocated on the basis of estimates of time and effort for each category.

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Determining Fair Value of Financial Assets and Liabilities

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America established a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation method are unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation method include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or by other means.
- Level 3: Inputs to the valuation method are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used, need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could vary from those estimates.

NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Reclassifications

Certain account balances as of June 30, 2022 have been reclassified to conform with the presentation as of June 30, 2023.

Comparative Financial Information

The financial statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022 from which the summarized information was derived.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In September 2020, FASB issued ASU 2020-07, Presentation and Disclosures by Not-for-Profit Entities for Contributed Nonfinancial Assets. ASU 2020-07 requires the presentation of contributed nonfinancial assets as a separate line item in the statement of activities, apart from contributions of cash and other financial assets. The main difference between the guidance in ASU 2020-07 and previous GAAP is the disclosure of a disaggregation of the amount of contributed nonfinancial assets, qualitative information about whether the contributed nonfinancial assets were either monetized or utilized during the period, the School's policy about monetizing rather than utilizing the assets, a description of any donor-imposed restrictions associated with the assets, a description of the valuation techniques used, and the principal market used to arrive at a fair value measurement. During the year ended June 30, 2022 the School adopted ASU 2020-07 for its contributed nonfinancial assets. This adoption was applied on a retrospective basis.

In February 2016, FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. ASU 2016-02 requires the recognition of lease assets and lease liabilities by lessees for those leases currently classified as operating leases and makes certain changes to the accounting for lease expenses. The main difference between the guidance in ASU 2016-02 and current GAAP is the recognition of lease assets and lease liabilities by lessees for those leases classified as operating leases under current GAAP. During the year ended June 30, 2023 the School adopted ASU 2016-02 for its leasing arrangements, along with the practical expedient, which allows modifications of contracts to be applied at the time of adoption. As a result of implementing ASU No. 2016-02, the School recognized right-of-use assets and lease liabilities totaling \$13,835,372 in its statements of financial position as of July 1, 2022.

NOTE 2 - LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY

The School regularly monitors the availability of resources required to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments. For purposes of analyzing resources available to meet general expenditures over a 12-month period, the School considers all expenditures related to its ongoing activities, as well as the conduct of services undertaken to support those activities to be general expenditures.

At June 30, the following financial assets could readily be made available within one year of the statement of financial position date to meet general expenditures:

	2023	2022
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,302,419	\$ 7,511,338
Accounts receivable	466,648	1,114,568
Grants receivable	6,202,970	3,683,153
Certificate of Deposit	6,128,457	-
Investments	9,914,288	9,455,189
Less board-designated net assets	(11,750,000)	(11,750,000)
	\$ 16.264.782	\$ 10.014.248

The School also receives basic charter school tuition and grants throughout the year to provide additional funds for general expenditures.

NOTE 3 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND RESTRICTED CASH

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash include all cash on hand and in banks, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The School considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Certain of these accounts are not federally insured, however, the School does have a collateral agreement with their bank that provides a possible avenue of recovery in the unlikely event of a bank failure. The School has not experienced any losses in these accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk with respect to cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash.

The School maintains cash in an escrow account in accordance with the terms of their charter agreement. The escrow is restricted to fund legal and other costs related to the dissolution of the School. The School also maintains funds on behalf of the students. The amounts collected are reported as a liability on the statement of financial position.

NOTE 3 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND RESTRICTED CASH (Continued)

Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted cash consisted of the following at June 30:

	2023	2022
Checking	\$ 5,302,419	\$ 6,508,377
Savings		1,002,961
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	5,302,419	7,511,338
Restricted Cash - Escrow Accounts	325,372	254,569
Restricted Cash - Extra Classroom Funds	120,879	114,066
Total Cash, Cash Equivalents,		
and Restricted Cash	<u>\$ 5,748,670</u>	<u>\$ 7,879,973</u>

NOTE 4 - INVESTMENTS

Investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are measured at fair market value. Unrealized gains or losses on securities result from differences between the cost and fair market value of securities on a specified valuation date.

Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, economic conditions, world affairs and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

Investments are held in investment funds managed by professional investment advisors. A summary of investments at market value at June 30 are as follows:

	2023	2022
Cash and Bank Swaps	\$ 59,468	\$ 72,043
Fixed Income	3,774,954	3,909,664
Equity Funds	3,579,974	2,929,300
Exchange Trade Funds	2,499,892	2,544,182
Total Investments	\$ 9,914,288	\$ 9,455,189

All of the investments are based on level 1 inputs in the hierarchy as described in Note 1.

NOTE 5 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The School leases schools and office space from Terra Science and Education, Inc. ("Terra"). Terra and the School share one common board member. This board member abstains from voting matters affecting both the School and Terra and is not paid a salary from the School. Total rent expense paid to Terra for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$2,394,901 and \$1,669,305, respectively. Terra also holds \$288,522 and \$209,874 of security deposits due to the School at the termination of the building leases as of June 30, 2023 and 2022.

During the year ended June 30, 2020, the School entered into two memorandums of understanding with Terra to provide funding for leasehold improvements totaling \$170,225 and \$200,000, respectively. These amounts were considered prepaid rent for 36 and 60 months, respectively. During the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the School entered into additional memorandums of understanding with Terra to provide funding for leasehold improvements totaling \$80,000 and \$130,000, respectively. These amounts are considered prepaid rent for 36 months. The School has reduced the operating lease liability by the prepaid amounts and is recognizing monthly rent expense over these time periods. For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the balance of prepaid rent left to recognize was \$286,667 and \$346,742, respectively.

NOTE 6 - PENSION EXPENSE

The School participates in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System (System), a costsharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan administered by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board. The System provides retirement, disability, withdrawal, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries as authorized by the Education Law and the Retirement and Social Security Law of the State of New York.

Plan members who joined the System before July 27, 1976 are not required to make contributions. Those joining after that date and before January 1, 2010, who have less than ten years of service or membership are required to contribute 3% of their annual salary. Those joining on or after January 1, 2010 and before April 1, 2012 are required to contribute 3.5% of their annual salary for their entire working career. Those joining on or after April 1, 2012 are required to contribute between 3% and 6%, dependent upon their salary, for their entire working career.

NOTE 6 - PENSION EXPENSE (Continued)

Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The rate applicable to the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 was 10.29% and 9.80%, respectively. The total retirement contribution expense for the System was \$1,686,534 and \$1,309,202 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The School also has a 403(b) annuity retirement plan for its employees. Employees that are not eligible for the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, and who work more than 20 hours per week, are made eligible immediately upon employment and may contribute a portion of their taxable salary not to exceed the statutory limits each year. Eligible employees may also receive discretionary amounts the School contributes. The School matches contributions up to \$200 per month and \$2,000 per year. The total 403(b) contribution expense was \$60,749 and \$49,927 for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

NOTE 7 - LEASES

The School determines if an arrangement is or contains a lease at inception. Leases are included in right-of-use (ROU) assets and lease liabilities in the statements of financial position. ROU assets and lease liabilities reflect the present value of the future minimum lease payments over the lease term, and ROU assets also include prepaid or accrued rent. Operating lease expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The School does not report ROU assets and leases liabilities for its immaterial or short-term leases (leases with a term of 12 months or less). Instead, the lease payments of those leases are reported as lease expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The School evaluated current contracts to determine which met the criteria of a lease. The ROU assets represent the School's right to use underlying assets for the lease term, and the lease liabilities represent the School's obligation to make lease payments arising from these leases. The ROU assets and lease liabilities, all of which arise from operating leases, were calculated based on the present value of future lease payments over the lease terms. The School has made an accounting policy election to use a risk-free rate in lieu of its incremental borrowing rate to discount future lease payments.

The School is obligated under operating leases for eight buildings. The leases can be terminated with a ten month notice. For each lease, the School is responsible for payment of utilities, maintenance, and real property taxes.

NOTE 7 - LEASES (Continued)

The first lease term ends June 30, 2026. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$42,714 with an escalation clause equal to the greater of 4% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States.

The second lease term ends June 30, 2026. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$28,950 with an escalation clause equal to the greater of 4% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States beginning in fiscal year June 30, 2024.

The third lease term ends June 30, 2029. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$22,999 with an escalation clause equal to the greater of 4% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States.

The fourth lease term ends June 30, 2032. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$27,103 with an escalation clause to an amount equal to the greater of 4% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States.

The fifth lease term ends January 30, 2060. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$28,210. The lease has an escalation clause equal to the greater of 4% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States. The lease has an option to renew for six additional ten year terms which it is not reasonably certain to exercise. Additionally, there is a level of uncertainty that they will remain in the building beyond ten years and may exercise their right to cancel with ten months notice. Therefore, the payments beyond the first ten years of the lease and those associated with the extensions are not included in the ROU asset and the lease liability recognized as of June 30, 2023.

The sixth lease term ends July 31, 2027. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$29,879. The lease has an escalation clause equal to the greater of 2.5% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States. The lease has an option to renew two additional five year terms which it is not reasonably certain to exercise. Therefore, the payments associated with these extensions are not included in the ROU asset and the lease liability recognized as of June 30, 2023.

The seventh lease term ends June 30, 2027. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$8,151. The lease has an escalation clause equal to the greater of 2.5% or the Consumer Price Index percentage figure relating to the Northeast region of the United States. The lease has an option to renew two additional five year terms which it is not reasonably certain to exercise. Therefore, the payments associated with these extensions are not included in the ROU asset and the lease liability recognized as of June 30, 2023.

NOTE 7 - LEASES (Continued)

The eighth lease term ends June 30, 2024. Rent is payable in monthly installments of \$7,156.

The School is also obligated under operating leases for seven copiers. Two copier leases are through June 30, 2024, four leases are through June 30, 2027, and one lease is through June 30, 2028.

The following summarizes the weighted average remaining lease term and discount rate as of June 30, 2023:

Weighted Average Remaining Lease Term	
Operating leases	5.9 years
Weighted Average Discount Rate	
Operating leases	3.15%

Future maturities of lease liabilities are presented in the following table, for the year ending June 30, 2023:

	Operating
2024	\$ 2,308,406
2025	2,305,996
2026	2,434,337
2027	1,616,963
2028	1,132,817
Thereafter	2,520,517
Total Lease Payments	12,319,036
Less Present Value Discount	(1,059,319)
Total Lease Obligations	<u>\$ 11,259,717</u>

The following summarizes the line items in the statements of activities which include the components of lease expense for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Operating lease expense included in program	
services expenses	\$ 2,313,094
Operating lease expense included in management and	
general expenses	 226,917
Total operating lease costs	\$ 2,540,011

NOTE 7 - LEASES (Continued)

Supplemental Disclosures of Non-Cash Investing and Financing Activities

The following summarizes cash flow information related to leases for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of	
lease liabilities:	
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$ 2,149,186
Lease assets obtained in exchange for lease obligations:	
Operating leases	\$ 13,835,372

NOTE 8 - BOARD-DESIGNATED NET ASSETS

The governing board has designated, from net assets without donor restrictions, net assets for the following purposes at June 30:

	2023	2022
Emergency Funds	\$ 6,500,000	\$ 6,500,000
Capital Improvements	3,000,000	3,000,000
Technology	1,000,000	1,000,000
Professional Development	800,000	800,000
Vehicles	450,000	450,000
	\$11,750,000	\$11,750,000

NOTE 9 - DONATED SERVICES AND GOODS

The School receives donated services that, although substantial, do not meet the criteria for recording as revenue and expense under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. During the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, 7 and 17 active volunteers provided approximately 730 and 6,600 hours of service, respectively.

The School receives food commodities from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for use in the Food Services Program. During the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the School received in-kind food donations of \$108,893 and \$141,266, respectively. The value of this donation is based on original cost provided by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

NOTE 9 - DONATED SERVICES AND GOODS (Continued)

The School's policy related to gifts-in-kind is to utilize the assets given to carry out the mission of the School. If an asset is provided that does not allow the School to utilize it in its normal course of business, the asset will be sold at its fair market value as determined by an appraisal or by a specialist depending on the type of asset.

NOTE 10 - SPECIAL EDUCATION AND OTHER SUPPORT

Some of the special education services required by students of the School are provided by the Syracuse, Utica, and Rochester City School Districts. The Syracuse, Utica, and Rochester City School Districts also provided transportation and nursing services. The School was unable to determine a value for these services, thus, these financial statements do not reflect revenue or expenses associated with those services.

The School receives State Aid in the form of textbooks, computer hardware, computer software, and library materials through the Syracuse, Utica, and Rochester City School Districts. The total aid received for the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 was \$94,712 and \$186,497, respectively. The value of this aid is provided by the City School Districts and is based on original cost.

NOTE 11 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 30, 2023, which is the date the statements were available for issuance.

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

For the Year Ended June 30, 2023

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY SCHOOL

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

			Citizenship	Citizenship	
	Syracuse	Utica	and Science	and Science	
	Academy	Academy	Academy of	Academy of	
	of Science	of Science	Syracuse	Rochester	Total
Revenues and Other Support:					
Public School District:					
Revenue - Resident Student Enrollment	\$13,511,849	\$ 9,767,204	\$ 7,907,795	\$ 2,127,043	\$33,313,891
Revenue - Students with Disabilities	364,945	329,922	370,690	97,724	1,163,281
Food Services:					
Food Service Income	829,418	688,650	569,652	-	2,087,720
In-Kind Food Service Income	108,893	-	-	-	108,893
Federal Grants	2,366,984	1,845,802	1,159,786	834,620	6,207,192
In-Kind State Grants	-	85,228	-	9,484	94,712
Employee Retention Credit	310,954	105,116	61,513	-	477,583
Interest and Dividend Income	260,552	129	100,834	-	361,515
Net Investment Return	156,887	-	67,237	-	224,124
Other Income	336,093	40,398	30,964	1,381	408,836
Total Revenues and Other Support	18,246,575	12,862,449	10,268,471	3,070,252	44,447,747

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY SCHOOL

For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

(Continued)

Expenses:	Syracuse Academy of Science	Utica Academy of Science	Citizenship and Science Academy of <u>Syracuse</u>	Citizenship and Science Academy of <u>Rochester</u>	Total
Program Services:					
Regular Education	10,925,737	7,630,457	6,292,905	1,476,509	26,325,608
Special Education	950,401	523,422	731,228	141,503	2,346,554
Other Programs	1,059,684	811,512	547,032	7,097	2,425,325
Total Program Services Expense	14,560,931	8,965,391	7,571,165	1,625,109	31,097,487
Supporting Services:					
Management and General	1,823,303	2,055,310	1,787,412	711,119	6,377,144
Total Expenses	14,759,125	11,020,701	9,358,577	2,336,228	37,474,631
Change in Net Assets	3,487,450	1,841,748	909,894	734,024	6,973,116
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	21,303,008	6,240,349	6,543,174	238,103	34,324,634
Net Assets - End of Year	<u>\$24,790,458</u>	<u>\$ 8,082,097</u>	<u>\$ 7,453,068</u>	972,127	<u>\$41,297,750</u>



REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Trustees Science Academies of New York Charter Schools Syracuse, NY

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools (a New York State nonprofit organization) which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 30, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Science Academies of Science Academies of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.



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Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' financial statements are free of material misstatements, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Heveron & Company Certified Public Accountants

Rochester, New York October 30, 2023



REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Trustees Science Academies of New York Charter Schools Syracuse, NY

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program *Opinion on Each Major Federal Program*

We have audited Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

In our opinion, Science Academies of New York Charter Schools complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

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Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not absolute assurance and therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools' internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control over compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiency or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in a type of a federal program will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that weaknesses or significant control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Heveron & Company Certified Public Accountants

Rochester, New York October 30, 2023

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements

The auditors' report expresses an unmodified opinion on the general-purpose financial statements of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools.

No material weaknesses were identified in the internal controls over financial reporting.

No significant deficiencies were identified in the internal controls over financial reporting.

No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools were disclosed during the audit.

<u>Federal Awards</u> The auditors' report on compliance for major programs expresses an unmodified opinion.

No material weaknesses were identified in the internal control over major programs.

No significant deficiencies were identified in the internal controls over major programs.

There are no audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a).

Identification of Major Programs:

<u>AL Number(s)</u>	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
84.010A	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies
84.282	Charter Schools
84.425U	American Rescue Plan - Elementary and Secondary School
	Emergency Relief

Dollar Threshold used to distinguish	
between type A and type B programs:	\$ 750,000

The auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee.

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS For The Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Continued)

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

None

Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

None

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

Federal Grantor/Program Title Pass-Through Grantor	Federal AL Number	Agency or Pass Through Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Federal Expenditures
United States Department of Agriculture				
Child Nutrition Cluster:				
School Breakfast Program Passed Through New York State Education Department	10.553	421800860854	\$ -	\$ 612,291
National School Lunch Program - (USDA Food)	10.555	Not Applicable	-	108,893
National School Lunch Program Passed Through New York State Education Department	10.555	421800860854		1,411,815
Total Child Nutrition Cluster				2,132,999
Total United States Department of Agriculture				2,132,999
United States Department of Education				
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies Passed Through New York State Education Department	84.010A	421800860854	_	1,332,423
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant				
Passed Through New York State Education Department	84.367A	421800860854	-	139,367
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program Passed Through New York State Education Department	84.424	421800860854	-	88,427
State Education Department	04.424	421000000034	-	00,42/

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS For The Year Ended June 30, 2023 (Continued)

Federal Grantor/Program Title Pass-Through Grantor	Federal AL Number	Agency or Pass Through Number	U	Federal Expenditures
United States Department of Education (Co	ntinued)			
COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Passed Through New York State	04.40511	1010000 (00 5 1		2 000 70 (
Education Department	84.425U	421800860854		3,090,786
Charter Schools Program Passed Through New York State Education Department	84.282	421800860854		978,274
Total United States Department of Education				5,629,277
Department of Homeland Security				
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters) Passed Through New York State	97.036	421800860854	-	73,011
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Total Department of Homeland Security				73,011
Total Federal Expenditures			<u>\$ - </u>	5 7,835,287

SCIENCE ACADEMIES OF NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOLS NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS For The Year Ended June 30, 2023

Note 1 - Basis of Presentation:

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, change in net assets or cash flows of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Science Academies of New York Charter Schools has not yet elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.



Auditors' Communications

October 10, 2023

To The Board of Trustees Science Academies of New York Charter Schools 1409 West Genesee St. Syracuse, New York 13204

Dear Board Members:

We have audited the financial statements of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools for the year ended June 30, 2023. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards* and the *Uniform Guidance*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our Audit Plan provided to you prior to the engagement. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

General Observations and Significant Audit Matters

- Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate *accounting policies*. The significant accounting policies used by Science Academies of New York Charter Schools are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. As described in Note 1, the School changed accounting policies related to leases by adopting FASB Accounting Standards Update 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)* during the year. We noted no transactions entered into by the School during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.
- Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events, and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the financial statements include areas such as useful life.



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- The *financial statement disclosures* are neutral, consistent, and clear. Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements include the disclosures of Investments in Note 4, Related Party Transactions in Note 5, and Leases in Note 7 to the financial statements.
- *Management may disagree with auditors* about areas needed to be accessed for audits or about conclusions that are reached with respect to amounts or disclosures. Management may explain their position and may also reach out to other CPAs or experts. We did not have any such disagreements or difficulties with management.
- Whenever we become aware of *adjustments or corrections* that are not clearly trivial, we will discuss them with management. Management approved all accounting adjustments that were proposed and recorded to make your financial statements materially correct.
- We have requested certain *representations from management* that are included in the management representation letter.
- In some cases, *management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters*, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the School's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.
- Your financial statements also include supplementary information. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves. That information has been prepared consistently with the prior year, and is appropriate and complete.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Science Academies of New York Charter Schools as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered Science Academies of New York Charter Schools's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the School's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

The purpose of this communication is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and the results of that testing. This communication is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Sincerely,

Heveron & Company CPAs



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Finding:

No finding reported.

Recommendation:

No recommendation.

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Federal Single Audit is attached to the Financial Statements.

Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Current or Former Trustee

Trustee Name:

Coskun Cetinkaya

Name of Charter School Education Corporation:

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- 1. List all positions held on the education corporation Board of Trustees ("Board") (e.g., chair, vice-chair, treasurer, secretary, parent representative, etc.). Treasurer
- **2.** Are you related, by blood or marriage, to any person employed by the school and/or education corporation?



🗆 Yes 🗹 No

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If **Yes**, please provide a description of the position(s) you hold, your responsibilities, your salary and your start date.

6. Identify each interest/transaction (and provide the requested information) that you, any of your immediate family members, and/or any persons who you reside with have held or engaged in with the charter school(s) operated by the education corporation during the time you have served on the Board, and in the six months prior to such service. If there has been no such interest or transaction, check **None**.

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Date(s)	Nature of financial interest / transaction	Steps taken to avoid a conflict of interest, (e.g., did not vote, did not participate in discussion)	Name of person holding interest or engaging in transaction and relationship to you

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Organization conducting business with the school(s)	Nature of business conducted	Approximate value of the business conducted	Name of Trustee and/or immediate family member of household holding an interest in the organization conducting business with the school(s) and the nature of the interest	Steps taken to avoid conflict of interest

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Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Current or Former Trustee

Trustee Name:

Jawwaad Rasheed

Name of Charter School Education Corporation:

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Junior Frontiers	Educational partners Used space at SANY for after school program	0.00	Jawwaad Rasheed	Do not vote on issue of space usage at SANY for the Junior Frontiers

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Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Current or Former Trustee

Trustee Name:

Lindsay Cray

Name of Charter School Education Corporation:

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Disclosure of Financial Interest by a Current or Former Trustee

Trustee Name:

Murat Baysal

Name of Charter School Education Corporation:

Science Academies of New York

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STEM Coordinator in 2013-2014

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Trustee Name:

Jodi DeAugustine

Name of Charter School Education Corporation:

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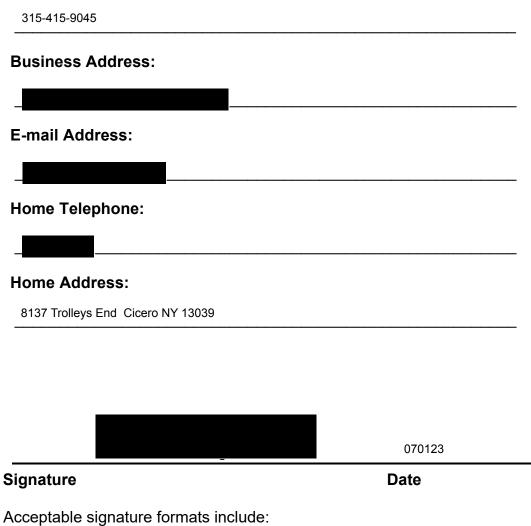
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Rockbridge Investment Management	Portfolio managemen t	\$12M	Jodi DeAugustine	Recusing from all votes in reference to management of the portfolio. Portfolio is managed separately within the firm and not by said trustee.

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Trustee Name:

Fehmi Damkaci

Name of Charter School Education Corporation:

SANY Charter Schools

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Terra Science and Education	Lease, STEM PD for teachers.	\$1,3 million	Fehmi Damkaci	Abstained

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Chanel Turnquest

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Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date : 7/20/2022

Place : SAS High School

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I. The regular meeting was called to order at _____ pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Present
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Chanel Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 6/21/2022

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. Review of payments
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of 2022-2023 SANY School Calendars
- 3. Approval of 2022-2023 SANY Student Handbook
- 4. Approval of SANY Amplify Order
- 5. Approval of 2022-2023 SANY School Wellness Policy
- 6. Approval of Dr. Hayali and Mrs. Mathis as School Leaders of CSAR
- 7. Approval of UAS Renewal Application and Charter Revision Request
- 8. Approval of UAS Renewal Application Cover Letter
- 9. Approval of Eligibility of Current SANY Employees for the Salary Increase
- 10. Approval of MoU SAS-MS Library Roof replacement payment
- 11. Approval of Updated Lease Agreement for 7053 Buckley Rd Liverpool School location
- 12. Approval of purchasing Instructional Supplies for CSAS

Discussion

- 1. School Building Preparations:
- 2. Internal Audit:
- 3. Enrollments:
- 4. UAS Renewal:

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #220720.1

RESOLVED, that hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220720.2

WHEREAS, SASCS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR created 2022-23 academic calendars by adapted the school days from sending school districts' 2022-23 academic calendars.

RESOLVED that SASCS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR academic calendars for 2022-23 school year is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220720.3

WHEREAS, student handbooks for elementary, middle, and high schools are combined into one SANY Student Handbook for all schools for 2022-2023 school year.

RESOLVED that SANY Student Handbook for all schools for 2022-2023 school year is hereby approved.

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

▶ Motion #220720.4

WHEREAS, schools use Amplify Curriculum and Amplify is the sole provider of the curriculum,

School	New Orders
CSAS ES	\$90,473.88
SAS ES	\$1,776.00
SAS MS	\$5,118.00
UAS HS	\$11,474.81
Total	\$108,842.69

RESOLVED that purchase of Amplify Curriculum in the amount of \$108,842.69 from Amplify is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220720.5

WHEREAS, SANY wellness policy is updated with new committee members.

RESOLVED that updated SANY wellness policy is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

▶ Motion #220720.6

WHEREAS, Citizenship and Science Academy of Rochester (CSAR) will start instruction in September. Dr. Tolga Hayali is the superintendent and Mrs. Jasmine Mathis is the Dean of school. Mrs. Mathis is a former SASMS ELA teacher. She was trained as Dean in SAS, CSAS, UAS elementary schools during 2021-2022 school year.

RESOLVED that the assignment of Dr. Tolga Hayali as Superintendent and Jasmine Mathis as Dean of school to the leadership of Citizenship and Science Academy of Rochester (CSAR) is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Chanel Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

▶ Motion #220720.7

RESOLVED that Utica Academy of Science (UAS) Charter School renewal application with charter revision request for enrollment increase from 858 to 975, organizational structure update by adding UAS MS Dean and removal of Regional Director of Academics position, decreasing number of in person meetings in UAS from two to one, and confirming the change of key design elements which were taken place during merger of all schools is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220720.8

WHEREAS, UAS is prepared a charter renewal application cover letter which talks about the UAS success during last charter renewal term and asks for charter renewal for another five-year term. The letter is signed by President of Board of Trustees.

RESOLVED that the UAS charter renewal application cover letter is hereby approved.

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220720.9

WHEREAS, existing staff members who are promoted to be the management category positions are currently not eligible for salary increase when they are assigned to the new management positions on their first year of assignment. SANY would like to make those existing SANY employees who are promoted into a new management category positions are also eligible for the salary increase given to management payscale.

RESOLVED that existing SANY employees who are promoted into a new management positions will be eligible for a salary increase for the following year based on the amount of increase in the management position they are promoted; calculated as if they were in that position the current year, is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220720.10

WHEREAS, SANY requested insulated library roof upgrades in order to save in energy and provide better school environment at its SAS-MS. SANY projects that it will improve the school environment and reduce utility cost. As such, in order to initiate the project, SANY will pay the parts of the cost to make the project to be implemented as soon as summer as utility cost was increased and at a larger scale than landlord initially planned for and has the cash for. Terra was not planning to do work for another 3-4 years since it recently invested into these buildings by replacing their HVAC. However, due to increased utility costs, SANY would like to get the work done sooner.

RESOLVED, that MoU agreement for three years of rent deductions total of \$80,000 for SAS-MS Library roof replacement payments is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine **Roll Call:** All in favor but abstained by Fehmi Damkaci

► Motion #220720.11

WHEREAS, school attorney asked the school to insert the following statement into our recent rental agreement for CSAS in Liverpool.

The lease agreement shall be deemed void and unenforceable if it is determined that it was entered into in violation of General Municipal Law § 801 by a court of competent jurisdiction or a department or office of the State of New York authorized to make such a determination.

RESOLVED that the updated lease agreement for 7053 Buckley Rd Liverpool is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya

Roll Call: All in favor but abstained by Fehmi Damkaci

► Motion #220720.12

WHEREAS, CSAS School will purchase instructional supplies including classroom and student supplies for the 22-23 academic year.

	SCOPE OF WORK							
VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL COST						
Hummels		\$ 37,396.73						
WB Mason	Yearly Instructional Supplies for both students (SANY provides school supplies) and staff	\$44,480.00						
School Specialty		\$ 30,762.13						

RESOLVED that purchasing of instructional supplies in the amount of \$30,762.13 from School Specialty is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- School Building Preparations: Rochester school is renovated by landlord, and the work should be done by August 1st. IT work is ongoing but some of the work has been done and is expected to be done by August 1st. Liverpool school should be taken over by August:
- 2. *Internal Audit:* Internal Auditor shared his monthly report, staled checks will be processed, staff related policies should be inserted into employee handbook to make it easier for the staff to find the information, he will look into safety measures as future work, to see how existing policies implemented.
- 3. *Enrollments:* Rochester enrollments are around 150-155 at the moment, and all other schools have full enrollment.
- 4. UAS Renewal: Board agreed to have in-person board meetings in Utica to be adjusted to similar to Rochester school, minimum one meeting would be held in Utica, one meeting would be held in Rochester, and other would be held in Syracuse while videoconferencing is available for staff and parents in other schools. Organizational structure changes were discussed.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Demographics

			Total	Black or African		
July 2022	Target	%	Enrollment	American	White	Asian

Syracuse Academy of Science	975	96.92%	945	649	69%	235	25%	38	4%
Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship	525	90.86%	477	351	74%	72	15%	40	8%
Utica Academy of Science	792	98.99%	784	300	38%	331	42%	107	14%
SANY District	2292	96.25%	2206	1300	59%	638	29%	185	8%

Enrollment

School by School July 2022	Total Enrollment	E	LL	Sp	ed	Poverty	FRL Rate
Syracuse Academy of Science	945	44	5%	91	10%	737	78%
Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship	477	48	10%	56	12%	397	83%
Utica Academy of Science	784	89	11%	45	6%	636	81%
SANY District	2206	181	8%	192	9%	1770	80%

SAS

- Friday, April 8th, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science high school 'future scientists,' Miguel Mathis and Makayla McMullen receive an opportunity of a lifetime when their project about Microbial Fuel Cells was the only one selected to attend and present their research at the CNY Energy Symposium. Congratulations, Miguel and Makayla, on being selected to participate in the CNY Energy Symposium. This is an incredible honor, and we are all very proud of you!
- 2. Monday, May 9th, 2022—Out of 1,748 participants, Syracuse Academy of Science high school student Miguel Mathis took home 3rd place, and a \$1,000 award from the Arconic Foundation for innovation in sustainable design or material science at Society for Science's Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) held in Atlanta, Georgia! Miguel's project was about Microbial Fuel Cells and how we can build them sustainably to generate electricity from bacteria and treat wastewater. Throughout ISEF, Miguel met and networked with companies and scientists worldwide. Without the support, encouragement, and drive to work hard from family, friends, teachers, and lab partner Makayla McMullen, this wouldn't be possible. Congratulations, Miguel; we are very proud of you and all you have accomplished!
- 3. Friday, May 20th, 2022—Dancing, Fashion, Art, Music, International Cuisine, and more as Syracuse Academy of Science high school embraced cultures worldwide at its 2022 Cultural Fair. Colorfully decorated with artwork from the Atoms, tri-fold boards from countries all around the world, and music filled the gymnasium as students proudly shared authentic cuisine that represented their countries' cultures and traditions. Throughout the Cultural Fair, Atoms put on performances of dancing, singing, and music. Students sang songs in Spanish, performed a Bachata dance, and played the steel drums. No Culture Fair is complete without a fashion show, of course! Students showcased

traditional clothing native to their countries' cultures and traditions. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event possible and to the students who donated their time and talent to teach us about their families' cultures and traditions. We are many Atoms, One Family. Please click here to visit our Facebook page to view additional pictures from Syracuse Academy of Science high school's Cultural Fair event.

- **4.** Monday, May 23rd, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science high school hosted its annual Spring Concert and Art Show in May. Throughout the event, guests watched an incredible performance from the high school choir, who sang songs in three languages with a 'flower' spring theme and collaborated with the band to perform Bill Withers' hit song, 'Lean on Me.' In addition to the choir and band performance, the Syracuse Academy of Science high school band students received awards for the most improved, leadership, and best overall musician. Guests also had an opportunity to view the impressive artistic skills of students in grades 8th -12th. The art pieces ranged from independent study projects to printmaking. We want to thank Wegmans for supporting the arts and for donating refreshments for guests to enjoy following the concert.
- **5.** Tuesday, May 31st, 2022—As the Syracuse Academy of Science high school students from the Class of 2022 prepare for that infamous walk to receive their diplomas, they first take a short walk to where it all started: elementary school. The graduating seniors from the Class of 2022 donned their caps and gowns and walked through Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school halls for the Atoms in grades K-4 to see and cheer them on. This time-honored tradition allows our Elementary Atoms to see what they can strive for and look forward to. It is also a fun and sweet reminder for our Seniors to see where it all started. To celebrate, elementary school teachers and students decorated and made signs to congratulate the seniors on their hard work and accomplishments. There was a bittersweet moment when the Dean of Elementary, Meghan Miller, took a picture with the seniors she taught in her 3rd-grade class! We wish our Class of 2022 the best of luck with their upcoming graduation and future endeavors!
- **6.** Wednesday, June 1st, 2022—Congratulations to Syracuse Academy of Science high school senior Makai Reed, who officially signed and committed to play basketball with the Bryant and Stratton College Bobcats! Makai Reed helped lead the Syracuse Academy of Science boys basketball to a great season where the Atoms made it to the Section III championship game. On behalf of Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School and the entire coaching and academic staff at Syracuse Academy of Science high school, we want to congratulate Makai and his family on this incredible accomplishment. We wish him all the best in his future endeavors.
- 7. Tuesday, June 2nd, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school students' creativity was on full display during their annual Art Show. This year's art gallery contained many original pieces from the talented works of Ms. A-B's students. Included in the gallery were drawings, paintings, pottery, and much more. This year's art gallery

also allowed its patrons to interact with the exhibit by participating in hands-on, creative activities. These activities include coloring a giant sheet of paper, a paint by colors

activities. These activities include coloring a giant sheet of paper, a paint by colors station, and making their own Atoms Spinner. In addition to this exhibit, guests were encouraged to visit the 'silly photo station' to commemorate this moment. We want to thank all the teachers, faculty, and staff who helped make this event possible and our fabulous art patrons (aka parents, families, and friends) for their continuous support throughout the years.

- 8. Friday, June 3rd, 2022—As the Regents Exams kick off today, the Syracuse Academy of Science high school students were busy preparing, studying, and taking much-needed 'brain break,' or study break. As a stress relief from all the 'exam cramming' students in grades, 8 -11th participated in an Uno tournament. Atoms played in a bracket system where the first two winners from each of the four groups advanced to the next round. These eight students would then play three final games with prizes awarded to students who placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Congratulations to the following Uno tournament winners. Thank you to everyone who helped make this tournament possible! We wish all of our students the best of luck on their Regents Exams. You got this, Atoms!
- **9.** Friday, June 10th, 2022—It's the last month of school, and there is only one thing on the minds of the 1st and 2nd-Grade Atoms at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school ice cream! Okay, there may be more than just one thing on their mind, but to celebrate all their hard work this academic year, the students embarked on a walking field trip to Syracuse's favorite ice cream shops, Gannon's Ice Cream and Arctic Island. Atoms practiced their manners during their visit when ordering their favorite ice cream flavors. Thank you to Gannon's and Arctic Island for some delicious sweet treats!
- **10.** Sunday, June 12th, 2022—Before the school year came to a close, the Syracuse Academy of Science high school Congressional Awards students embarked on a few more adventures. Many students visited the Big Apple (specifically, Yonkers and various locations in and around New York City), New Jersey, and the Adirondacks. These trips allowed the students to complete their Congressional Awards Expedition/Exploration requirement - which entails students must spend a minimum of three nights outside of their city. When visiting New York City, Mr. Yemen's students visited many iconic locations such as Times Square, the Brooklyn Bridge, and China Town. We all know that no trip to New York City is complete without experiencing a ride on the subway - a first for many of the students. This metropolitan adventure was a great personal development opportunity that allowed the students to practice their self-motivation skills. The students who attended this trip will be applying for their gold certificate at the end of the year. Ms. Jamison's group of Congressional Award students visited Yonkers for a Juneteenth celebration. During their visit, students were immersed in a panel discussion, had an opportunity to attend a concert by the waterfront, and visited a museum. The final location in this tri-state Congressional Awards visits was Long Beach Island, New Jersey. While the weather didn't cooperate for a portion of the trip, this never slowed down the

Atoms. Students visited the ocean (a first for many students), walked on the iconic Boardwalk, and spent quality time with one another in their rental house. Waking up to the sound of the ocean was peaceful, serene, and the perfect way to relax and recharge before the Regents Exams. Finally, Ms. Hamill's 9th-grade Congressional Award students visited the Adirondacks for a week! This rural trip allowed the Atoms to become one with nature as there was little to no cell phone service. During their visit to the Adirondacks, Atoms explored the Old Forge Public Beach, where they observed the beautiful scenery, learned navigation skills, and how to build a fire. No campfire is ever complete without s'mores. These Congressional Awards expedition/exploration trips are an incredible experience for the students to get out of their 'comfort zone' and explore the world around them, try and learn new things and experiences. Keep up the great work, Atoms!

- 11. Wednesday, June 15th, 2022—It was a 'ball in' day at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary and middle school, as Syracuse Academy of Science high school alumni and Syracuse University basketball guard Syrmir Torrence visited his alma mater. This basketball legend paid a visit to his former teachers, who have impacted his life. Symir also posed for pictures with the Atoms, signed autographs, and gave high-fives and fist bumps. The students were very excited to meet Symir! It's always exciting when alumni Atoms visit their alma mater. We wish Symir the best of luck with his upcoming Senior year at Syracuse University. We look forward to seeing him dominate on the basketball court and lead the Orange to victory. We are many Atoms, One Family.
- 12. Friday, June 17th, 2022—In June, Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school hosted its annual Danishes for Distinguished Men event to celebrate dads and father figures on Father's Day. Atoms created cards, pictures, and art projects to share with their loved ones to celebrate. In addition, families enjoyed delectable danishes as they spent time with their student(s). We want to thank everyone who helped make this event possible and for all the distinguished men in the Atoms' lives.
- 13. Sunday, June 19th, 2022—Happy Father's Day to all the dads out there—whether you're a dad or like a dad. Your love is the greatest and most precious gift in the world. In honor of Father's Day, we want to take this moment to wish all fathers a happy Father's Day. Thank you for all that you do in your Atoms' life. Happy Father's Day!
- 14. Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science middle school 7th-grade Atoms wrap up the school year in style with a friendly game of Dodgeball. Each class participated in this fun yet competitive tournament. It's safe to say the Atoms in 7C must have been practicing the 5 D's of Dodgeball (dodge, duck, dip, dive, and dodge) from the movie Dodgeball as they proved to be victorious!
- **15.** Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022—Goodbye Kindergarten, hello first grade! Today, Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school celebrated the commencement of its

youngest Atoms at their Kindergarten Graduation. This future class of 2034 donned their caps and gowns and walked through the halls to their outdoor graduation ceremony, where they were greeted with cheers and excitement from their parents, family, and friends. We wish all of our graduates a wonderful summer and a 'cheers' to new beginnings. Congratulations, Atoms; we are very proud of you! Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022—Remember, Graduation is not the end, but simply the beginning! On Wednesday, June 22nd, parents, family, and friends filled the bleachers at Onondaga Community College's SRC Arena to celebrate Syracuse Academy of Science High School's 16th Annual Commencement Ceremony honoring the graduates from the Class of 2022. During their commencement ceremony, Syracuse Academy of Science high school welcomed the keynote speaker New York State Assemblymember Pamela Hunter, the Valedictorian Address from Zyaira Bullock, and the Salutatorian Address from Tahirah Abdul-Qadir. In addition to these speakers, Syracuse Academy of Science high school welcomed SANY Superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali, and President of Terra Science and Education, Dr. Fehmi Damkaci, who presented students with a Terra Foundation Scholarship. Congratulations to the following Terra Foundation Scholarship recipients: Zachary Allen, Ali Barbour, Zyaira Bullock, Chan Gutierrez-St. John, Jasmine Jones, Aneesha Millhouse, Ermine Reddock, Michael Scheer, Meenal Shojaian, Naomi Turner, and Steeve Tussing. In addition to the Terra Foundation Scholarship recipients, we want to congratulate Tahirah Abdul-Qadir, Naomi Turner, and Ermine Reddock on receiving the New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence. We also want to congratulate Tahirah Abdul-Qadir on receiving the United States Congressional Award Gold Certificate. This year, the Class of 2022 received a combined total of over \$1.6 Million in scholarships!!! Concluding the presentation of the diplomas and awards, Makayla Hutchinson, a member of the Class of 2022, led her fellow students in the moment they all have been waiting for, the infamous tassel transfer! Congratulations to the Class of 2022! With strong wings, you fly from Syracuse Academy of Science high school to achieve the dreams you could only imagine. Always remember that we are Many Atoms, One Family! We wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

- **16.** Thursday, June 23rd, 2022—It's time to go and be great, Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school Atoms, as we celebrated the commencement of the 4th-grade Atoms at their Moving Up Ceremony. After one last walk down their elementary school's hallowed halls, the students went outside to their graduation ceremony, where parents, family, and friends greeted them. During the Moving Up Ceremony, each student received a certificate for completing the 4th grade. With the completion of elementary school, we wish our students a happy, healthy, and wonderful summer.
- 17. Thursday, June 23rd, 2022—Oh, the places you'll go! As Syracuse Academy of Science middle school 7th-grade students said hello to high school, we took a moment to celebrate all they have accomplished this academic year. During the 7th-grade Moving Up Ceremony, this future class of 2027 received their certificate of completion, were recognized for their academic success, and received custom awards tailored to fit their

personalities, styles, and achievements. In addition, students who made the Dean's List were also recognized during the Moving Up Ceremony. Congratulations, Atoms; we are very proud of you! We wish you all a very happy, healthy, and safe summer.

- 18. At Syracuse Academy of Science high school, the Senior Video is a time-honored tradition that is a highlight for many of the Atoms in the graduating class. After months of interviews, the Senior Video was viewed for the first time by the Class of 2022 at their high school graduation ceremony on Wednesday, June 22nd, at SRC Arena. For the Senior Video, each member of the graduating class was encouraged to share their plans following graduation, words of advice for future Atoms, where they see themselves in ten years, and much more. Today, we share with you the class of 2022's Senior Video! We wish all our students the best of luck in their future endeavors. We are many Atoms, One Family. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T_-TvrVg0zs
- **19.** Monday, July 4th, 2022—Red, White, and Blue, we wish a happy 4th of July to You! We hope all our Atoms have a happy, healthy, and safe Independence Day. Below are some fun facts about the 4th of July.

SAS Citizenship

- 1. Friday, March 18th, 2022—We all may be familiar with the classic fairy tale Goldilocks and the Three Bears. But have you ever seen a twist on this story performed by the ever-so-talented Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school 1st-grade ENL students? Earlier this year, the Atoms practiced their reading and comprehension skills by reading the Goldilocks Reader's Theater Script. Students used class puppets to help retell the story to their fellow classmates. Keep up the great work, Atoms.
- 2. Friday, April 22nd, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school participated in the 'Music in Our School's month,' where it hosted a school-wide art competition with the theme, 'Music: The Sound of My Heart.' This art competition was open to all students, and the Atoms flexed their creative muscles! Thanks to our panel of esteemed judges (aka teachers and staff), winners were selected based on how many votes their art piece received. Keep up the great work, Atoms! Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this event possible.
- 3. Friday, April 29th, 2022—Kindness is the new classy, as the Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school students are being recognized for their random acts of kindness throughout the year. Congratulations to Noa, Andiel, Shaniy, and Addey for receiving the Random Act of Kindness Award and two Kindness tickets. Way to put the 'I' in KIND, Atoms!
- **4.** Thursday, May 12th, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school's 5th-grade students practiced their research, presentation, and listening skills in

the 'Scholar-Hour.' Atoms selected one topic for this presentation project to present to their classmates and guest audience members. The presentation needed to answer three main guiding questions and fun facts about their chosen subject. While the Atoms were presenting, the audience members completed a form detailing their learning. The 'Scholar-Hour' was a fun exercise, project, and learning experience for all the students.

- **5.** Friday, May 20th, 2022—We promise to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, as the Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship 6th-grade students visited the U.S. District Court (Northern District of New York in Syracuse) to learn about the judicial system and career opportunities in the legal industry. During their visit, students toured the facility and met Honorable Wendy A. Kinsella, the United States Bankruptcy judge. Honorable Wendy Kinsella moderated the group's tour session and allowed the Atoms to visit her chambers.
- **6.** Wednesday, June 1st, 2022—To celebrate their year in Kindergarten, this future class of 2034 teamed up and collaborated on a storybook that will one day become a New York Times Best-Seller. Last month, students tested their teamwork skills when coming up with content for their storybook, 'Our Year in Kindergarten.' Each Atom was responsible for completing the sentence, 'my favorite part of kindergarten is...' We are excited to announce that the Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school kindergarteners are officially published, authors. Congratulations, Atoms; we are so proud of you and all you have accomplished.
- 7. Thursday, June 2nd, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school's 5th-grade students hosted a career fair, where each student answered this fundamental question when I grow up, I want to be? Each Atom created informational presentations and brochures about the career they selected and dressed the part of their role. In addition, students learned how to tie a tie properly, complete a job application, create a resume, and participate in mock interviews with SANY administrators. The 5th-grade Atoms presented their careers to students in 3rd and 4th grade to help them learn about various professions and industries.
- **8.** Thursday, June 16th, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school's 5th grade Project Based Learning students tested the laws of physics with an engineering activity, the Egg Drop Challenge. For this STEM activity, Atoms worked together to plan, build and execute an 'eggshell protection system' that would allow their eggs to withstand a fall from a great height. Thanks to the help of Mr. McGriff, the official 'egg launcher' who went up onto the roof of Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school to drop the eggs for the Atoms. All 5th-grade students were present for the egg launch to observe their experiment and cheer for the four teams. We are excited that all four teams had successful experiments, and none of the eggs broke during the drop/launch. Congratulations, Atoms!

- **9.** Sunday, June 19th, 2022—Happy Father's Day to all the dads out there—whether you're a dad or like a dad. Your love is the greatest and most precious gift in the world. In honor of Father's Day, we want to take this moment to wish all fathers a happy Father's Day. Thank you for all that you do in your Atoms' life. Happy Father's Day!
- **10.** Wednesday, June 22nd, 2022—To celebrate all their hard work this year, Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school's 4th-grade Atoms participated in a 'Fun Day.' To kick off Fun Day, Atoms participated in an outdoor Read-A-Thon where they selected their favorite book to read and spent time with their friends and fellow classmates. Following the Read-A-Thon, Atoms could rotate between a game room, dance party, craft activity, or movie and paint celebration. This Fun Day was the perfect way to conclude the school year and to celebrate all they have accomplished this year.
- **11.** Thursday, June 23rd, 2022—Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school is excited to announce its winners of the Atoms Referral program. Please congratulate Soriano and Giancarlo Leon! These future Atoms will receive free uniform tops for a week! Congratulations, Soriano and Giancarlo; we look forward to seeing you in the fall!
- 12. Thursday, June 23rd, 2022—Cap. Gown. It's time to get down with Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship elementary school Atoms celebrated the commencement of its youngest Atoms at their Kindergarten Graduation. This future class of 2034 said goodbye to Kindergarten and hello to first grade as they walked through the halls to the gymnasium filled with parents, family, and friends. We wish all our graduates a wonderful summer and a 'cheers' to new beginnings. Congratulations, Atoms; we are very proud of you!
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UAS

1. Tuesday, May 24th, 2022—Utica Academy of Science elementary school's Kindergarten Atoms discover and explore the Animal Kingdom on a field trip to the Fort Rickey Discovery Zoo. During their visit, students had an opportunity to interact and get up close to pet and feed animals from all over the world. A couple of their field trip highlights include holding on to a baby goat, having animals eat right out of the palm of their hands, and for the bravest Atoms having a snake rest ever so gently on top of their head. This action-packed day was filled with many exotic memories that the students will cherish forever.

- **2.** Thursday, May 26th, 2022—Utica Academy of Science elementary school's 6th-grade Atoms discovered, learned, and played during a field trip to the Museum of Science and Technology (MOST). This hands-on, minds-on day allowed the Atoms to apply what they learned in the classroom with the various interactive exhibits, science experiments, and much more. Some topics the students learned about at the MOST include paleontology, plate tectonics, biology, and aeronautics. Students even put their STEM skills into action by participating in Build. With multiple building blocks of all shapes and sizes, Atoms could pretend they were architects, civil engineers, and designers through sensory play. Atoms also dug deep into the Earth's history by exploring the Earth Science Discovery Cave. Students learned about plate tectonics, cave formation, climate change, and the geologic history of New York state. One can't simply learn about Earth's history without first learning (and traveling back in time) to the age of the dinosaurs. Students visited the Dino Zone, where they saw lifelike dinosaurs created in collaboration with paleontologists that are displayed in scenes depicting what life was like on Earth over 65 million years ago. This exhibit was a favorite for many students and an excellent spot for a few photo ops and selfies! Not to be outdone, students learned about Aerospace engineering, physics, and space science when visiting the Lockheed Martin Flight & Space exhibit ... which includes a zero-gravity jumper! Needless to say, this field trip to the MOST was out of this world; in fact, many students fell asleep on the bus ride home. Thank you to the MOST for such a memorable and remarkable experience!
- **3.** Wednesday, June 8th, 2022—Utica Academy of Science elementary school's 1st-grade Atoms let their feet do the talking when the Utica City Football Club stepped onto their turf. Throughout the afternoon, Atoms had an opportunity to participate in and practice soccer drills and activities that would enhance their hand-foot coordination, quick feet, and ball-handling skills. Atoms also had a chance to meet multiple soccer players, Utica City Football Club staff members, and the General Manager. Thank you, Utica City Football Club, for taking time out of your busy schedule to help the Atoms become the best on the soccer field! We appreciate your assistance coordinating and leading the students in various soccer activities and drills.
- 4. Friday, June 10th, 2022—We may have some future spelunkers here, as Utica Academy of Science elementary school's 4th-grade Atoms said yes to keeping adventure and exploration alive when visiting the Howe Caverns. Their adventure began when they stepped into an elevator that took them 156 feet below the Earth's surface to a prehistoric destination 6 million years in the making. In this prehistoric cavern, stalagmites and stalactites filled the area. While many might think that being that far below the Earth's surface would be chilly, at Howe Caverns, it was constant 52 degrees Fahrenheit and 75% humidity year-round. This geological adventure reminded the students just how deep below the Earth's surface they were when hearing every sound echo off the walls and ceilings. Atoms learned about the magnificent limestone and flowstone and conservation efforts to preserve this prehistoric location for future generations to enjoy.

The Howe Caverns is New York State's 2nd most visited Natural Attraction and a favorite field trip location amongst the Atoms.

- **5.** Friday, June 10th, 2022—Someone queue the pomp and circumstance, as it's almost time for graduation! As the Utica Academy of Science junior-senior high school graduating seniors from the Class of 2022 prepare for their upcoming graduation, they first take a walk to where it all began, elementary school. These future graduates donned their caps and gowns and walked through Utica Academy of Science elementary school halls holding hands with the youngest Atoms as classmates cheered them on. This time-honored tradition allows our Elementary Atoms to see what they can strive for and look forward to while reminding our Seniors to see where it all started. To celebrate, elementary school teachers and students decorated and made signs to congratulate the seniors on their hard work and accomplishments. We wish our Class of 2022 the best of luck with their upcoming graduation and future endeavors!
- **6.** Saturday, June 11th, 2022—Dancing, Art, Music, International Cuisine, and more as Utica Academy of Science junior-senior high school embraced cultures worldwide at its time-honored event, International Day. Organized by Utica Academy of Science teacher Sophia Putrello, International Day allows students, their families, and the community to learn about the diversity within Utica. Throughout the event, guests could learn about over 20 different countries, watch six traditional and modern dance groups perform, taste authentic cuisine native to the represented country, view priceless works of art from the Atoms, and listen to musical performances from students. Utica Academy of Science student Muamer Hysenaj played a chiftele guitar to showcase his love for his Albanian culture, family, and ancestors.' We want to thank WKTV for attending and covering the International Day event. As well as the Utica Academy of Science junior-senior high school staff who helped make this event possible. A special thank you to our 400+ guests who attended the International Day event; your support and patronage put joy and pride into the students' eyes as they shared their culture and heritage.
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- **8.** Tuesday, June 21st, 2022—School may be out for the summer, but that doesn't mean we can't look back on some of the fun we had the last few weeks of school. To celebrate the last week of school, Utica Academy of Science elementary school's 6th-grade Atoms packed their swimsuits and headed to New York's largest Water Theme Park, Water Safari for a class field trip. Despite the chilly weather, the Atoms enjoyed checking out the 50 rides and attractions and testing the 32 waterslides. No trip to Water Safari is complete without the traditional class picture at the Paul Bunyan statue. We hope all our Atoms have an excellent, happy, healthy, and safe summer!

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II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal, to adjourn the meeting at 7.38 pm. Roll Call: Choose an item.

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 8/17/2022 **Place :** Online

Join Zoom Meeting:

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81469713900?pwd=WIBnWnNNbHk4NXNVaXhMbVh4K2xiUT09

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.40 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Present
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Chanel Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 7/20/2022

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

1. Bank accounts reconciliation

- 2. *Review of payments*
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of Demolition of the House Located at 249 Lakeview Ave
- 3. Approval of change order for Phase I Construction at UAS building
- 4. Approval of Districtwide School Emergency and Safety Plan
- 5. Approval of Board Members Renewal for Channel Turnquest and Lindsay Cray
- 6. Approval of change order for Curriculum Orders
- 7. Approval of change order of Staples
- 8. Approval of Hourly Employees Stipends Changes

Discussion

- 1. New School year Preps:
- 2. CSAR and CSAS-Middle School Buildings
- 3. Staff needs and PDs for the new year
- 4. 20th and 10th year Celebrations:

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Lindsay Cray, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Lindsay Cray to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #220817.1

RESOLVED, that hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220817.2

WHEREAS, per the agreement between the Terra and Syracuse Academy of Science, the school will demolish the building on 249 Lakeview Ave to open green space/parking for the school.

PRODUCT / SERVICE :	Demolition
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Description	Smajic	Astra Construction		Golden Hammer
Lakeview ave	\$36,000	\$4	47,000	\$54,000
Demolition				
- demo building				
- all permits				
- haul away all				
debris				
- Backfill and				
compact gravel				
for future				
parking				

RESOLVED that demolition of the 249 Lakeview Ave by Smajic Construction, in the amount of \$36,000 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: All in favor but abstained by Fehmi Damkaci

► Motion #220817.3

WHEREAS, the Utica Academy of Science will make a change order as part of the Phase I construction addition for the outside premises of the school building to support the flood prevention. The project is including the following items: create 2 trenches and divert water to front parking lot drains, right side of road entrance at Phase 1 addition and repair of paving.

RESOLVED that Utica Academy will make additional work for the flood prevention and improvements as part of the Phase I construction project in the amount of \$19,700 by Smajic Construction is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray **Roll Call:** All in favor but abstained by Fehmi Damkaci

▶ Motion #220817.4

WHEREAS, Per NYSED Educational Law §§ 807 and 2801-a, and Commissioner's Regulation 155.17 District-Wide school safety plans and building-level emergency response plans (ERP's) are designed to prevent and minimize the effects of violent incidents and emergencies and to facilitate the coordination of school and school districts with local and county resources in the event of such incidents or emergencies. The aforementioned law and regulation require the board of trustees (BOT) to revise and adopt the District-Wide School Safety Plan and Building-Level Emergency Plans (ERP's).

RESOLVED that revise and adopt the District-Wide School Emergency and Safety Plan that will later be uploaded to the NYSED Portal is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220817.5

RESOLVED that Chanel Turnquest's Board Membership renewal until her replacement with Samantha Turnquest is reviewed by board and approved, and the renewal of Lindsay Cray for three years until August 2025 is hereby approved.

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220817.6

WHEREAS, the SANY schools will utilize the curriculum materials from the sole vendors that were approved by the BOT in previous meetings and the schools will continue to add additional items to their orders. Amplify is the sole provider of the curriculum.

RESOLVED that purchasing of additional curriculum materials from Curriculum Associates in the amount of \$8,985.34 and from Amplify in the amount of \$3,200 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

▶ Motion #220817.7

WHEREAS, the Syracuse Academy of Science had to purchase additional Chromebooks, after the incident that the school ended up loosing 212, for the ECF funding that the school was granted during the pandemic; which was previously approved by the BOT. The school received insurance payment which will be used to make this purchase. Staples was chosen as the vendor out of three quotes when 750 chromebooks were purchased and used the same vendor for this purchase as a continuation.

RESOLVED that purchasing replacement Chromebooks for stolen ones from the Staples in the amount of \$84,140.68 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220817.8

WHEREAS, SANY would encourage additional degrees for its hourly employees or prospective employees who have masters degree or who is seeking for master degree. SANY schools will pay additional stipends for the following hourly positions. RESOLVED that paying additional \$4/hr stipends for the hourly employees who has master degree is hereby approved as presented.

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. *New school year preps:* Schools are getting ready, including school supplies, IT updates, classroom preparations. Schools have almost full enrollment.
- 2. *CSAR and CSAS-Middle School Buildings:* Both buildings were approved by NY facilities department. Both buildings are furnished.
- 3. *Staff needs and summer institute for the new year:* Summer institute started on August 15 for the new teachers. August 25th at Double Tree where all SANY Staff will be together. There will be five different sessions over 5 hrs. Each school will have local PD.
- 4. 20th for SAS and 10th year for UAS Celebrations: Both are planned for May. Community partners, parents, alumni, and former employees will be invited to celebrate the success.
- 5. Additional presentations were requested for support services for social/emotional needs of the students and skill building in that regard so students can cope up with these issues. In addition, support services for students who are academically behind, such as intervention programs.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

July 2022	Target	%	Total Enrollment
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	100%	975
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	98.17%	589
Utica Academy of Science	858	100%	858
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	95.32%	163

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya, to adjourn the meeting at 7.25pm. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 9/21/2022

Place : CSA Rochester

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.41 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Chanel Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 8/17/2022

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. *Review of payments*
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.

- 3. Approval of CoreBTS Firewall Order
- 4. Approval of Lenovo purchases for allocations from SCSD
- 5. Approval of SANY district provided cell phone policy

Discussion

- 1. SANY investment presentation
- 2. CSA Rochester Dean and OM presentation
- 3. K-2 Curriculum Coordinators
- 4. TCMP report
- 5. Ribbon Cutting ceremony for UAS building
- 6. Appointment of Merisa Muhic as UAS interim dean
- 7. Terra Teacher recruitment grant \$85,000

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Lindsay Cray to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #220921.1

RESOLVED, that hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Chanel Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220921.2

WHEREAS, the SANY schools will utilize the curriculum materials from the sole vendors that were approved by the BOT in previous meetings, and the schools will continue to add additional services because of new student additions to their orders.

RESOLVED that purchasing of additional curriculum material and service from Curriculum Associates in the amount of \$13,440 is hereby approved.

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220921.3

WHEREAS, all of SANY schools have a single firewall device which is used for internet access. The new service is the upgrade proposal for the current firewall product. Prices are NY State Contract prices.

RESOLVED that purchasing of new firewall appliance and service (3 years subscription) from CoreBTS in the amount of \$28,832.99 is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Chanel Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220921.4

WHEREAS, SAS and CSAS will utilize their textbook, software and hardware allocations to upgrade teacher desktops. These will be purchased for five-year use in the classrooms. The school has been using Lenovo computers for teacher classrooms, therefore would like to buy similar products.

DESCRIPTION	Quantity	LENOVO
Desktop TC M90q Gen 3_Intel Q670_Tiny_ES	97	\$934.00
ThinkCentre TIO24Gen4Touch 23.8-inch WLED FHD- Monitor	97	\$290.28
		\$118,641

RESOLVED that SAS and CSAS will purchase new teacher desktops with their city allocations for \$118,641 from Lenovo is hereby approved.

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #220921.5

WHEREAS, SANY district will provide cell phones to deans, operation managers, social media specialist, district project manager, director of IIT, assistant superintendent, and superintendent positions to increase communication and efficiency during business hours. SANY prepared a district provided cell phone policy.

RESOLVED that SANY district provided cell phone policy is hereby approved.

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- 2. CSA Rochester Dean and OM presentation
- 3. *K-2 Curriculum Coordinators:* Three coordinators serving for all K-2 graders in SANY School. They all visit schools one day at time. However, first two weeks, they spent more time in Rochester due to its new opening and new teachers. The goal is to achieve readiness for their next grade level at the end of the year. Achievement gaps starts at kindergarten level and we would like to close the gap as early as possible.
- 4. *TCMP report:* Mr Duz provided TMCP presentation, number of teacher in the program is 25 at the moment and 9 teachers completed their
- 5. *Ribbon Cutting ceremony for UAS building:* October 19, Chambers of Commerce will organize a ribbon cutting ceremony.
- 6. Appointment of Merisa Muhic as UAS interim ES Dean to fill in the current deans who is on maternity leave for 12 weeks.
- 7. Terra Teacher Recruitment Grant: \$85,000

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

September 2022	EL	.L	L Sped		Poverty	FRL Rate
Syracuse Academy of Science	41	4%	86	9%	673	67%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	41	7%	54	9%	378	66%
Utica Academy of Science	68	8%	42	5%	572	65%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
SANY District	150	6%	182	7%	1623	62%

Demographics

					Black or	African				
September 2022	Ma	ale	Fem	ale	Amer	ican	W	nite	As	ian
Syracuse Academy of Science	468	47%	535	53%	698	70%	244	24%	42	4%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	295	51%	282	49%	454	79%	96	17%	43	7%
Utica Academy of Science	421	48%	459	52%	334	38%	355	40%	135	15%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	92	64%	51	36%	148	88%	15	10%	3	2%
SANY District	1184	48%	1276	52%	1486	60%	695	28%	220	9%

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item.

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Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Lindsay Cray, to adjourn the meeting at 8.37 pm. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date : 10/19/2022

Place : UAS High School

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81100411977?pwd=OTczU2JiV01pTzNsRTFvS2szUGtsdz09 Meeting ID: 811 0041 1977 Passcode: 443348

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.30 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Present
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Chanel Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 9/21/2022

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

1. Bank accounts reconciliation

- 2. *Review of payments*
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of UAS Frankfort Campus construction and maintenance for the premises
- 3. Approval of Minimum Wage and Substitute Teacher Rate Increase
- 4. Approval of ERC Fund Application
- 5. Approval of 2021-22 SANY Financial Audits
- 6. Approval of new Credit Card for CCS
- 7. Approval of CoreBTS Change Order
- 8. Approval of a venue for the 2022-23 school year opening ceremony and PD workshops
- 9. Approval of 2022-23 school year Teacher and Dean Dashboards
- 10. Approval of Samantha Turnquest as a New Board Member
- 11. Approval construction cost at SANY Conference Center

Discussion

- 1. Audit Presentation
- 2. Internal audit report
- 3. UAS Deans Board meeting presentation
- 4. UAS Charter Renewal. No public hearing in Utica but in Frankfort
- 5. SANY 20th year anniversary
- 6. Annual Conflict of Interest declarations

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

- VII. Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously
- **VIII.** ► Motion #221029.1

RESOLVED, that hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.2

WHEREAS, the Utica Academy of Science campus has increased safety and security access to the building by constructing new set of double glass door with aluminum frame and panic devices. The school also has some annual maintenance services such as septic system pump out and other related services.

Description	Smajic	Astra Construction	Baky Construction
1. Install 1 set of double glass door with aluminum Frame and panic devices 2. Install 1 30x30 Service window cut in and patch 3. Relocate fire alarm pull station 4. Frame 1 wall divide main office Insulate drywall tape prime an paint 5. Install 1 3 panel doors with trim and hardware 6. Temporary power hookup in kitchen for sanders and removal 7. Cut and remove 2 inches of gym flooring and plywood 8. Install 5 septic risers 9. Pump out two 2000 gallon septic tank 11. Repair paving and rebuild service rd 12. Install 5 pallets of sod 13. Install 1 sink in office for nurse with water lines and drain	\$38,280	\$48,000	\$56,500

RESOLVED, that Frankfort Campus projects in the amount of \$38,280 by Smajic Construction is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.3

WHEREAS, NYS minimum wages will increase to \$14.20 in Upstate NY as of 1/1/2023. Our cleaning crew and intern current starting rate is \$14. Therefore, SANY propose to increase all Cleaners and Interns receive a .20 cent base increase and the starting wage for all new cleaners and Interns will be \$14.20. SANY would like to find qualified Substitute Teacher with a reasonable rates in the region with competitive daily wage. SANY would like to make daily wages \$160 in Utica region and \$170 in Syracuse and Rochester.

RESOLVED, that increase minimum wage for the cleaner and interns will be \$14.20 as of January 1, 2023 and; substitute teacher daily rate \$160 in Utica and \$170 in Syracuse and Rochester is hereby approved.

Tabled to be discussed further in the next meeting

Motion by Choose an item., seconded by Choose an item. **Roll Call:** Choose an item.

► Motion #221029.4

WHEREAS, SANY would prepare and apply ERC fund to IRS using application consultants.

RESOLVED, that SANY's ERC application is hereby approved as presented.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.5

WHEREAS, 2021-22 SANY financial audit is completed and will be presented by the auditors.

RESOLVED, that 2021-22 SANY financial audit is hereby approved as presented and following recommendations are adopted.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.6

WHEREAS, the line of credit option will not be available at Amazon account and we need a designated credit card due to one SANY credit card is used for Rochester, Syracuse and Utica schools. Due to CSAS school is expanding and need a designated credit card for their operations, it is recommended to have its own line of credit.

RESOLVED, opening a new credit card account under AMEX with \$14,000 CSAS is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.7

WHEREAS, last month new service is the upgrade proposal for the current firewall product has a change order and will need to make additional purchases to the service as a change of order from previous orders.

RESOLVED that change order request from CoreBTS in the amount of \$9,678.72 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.8

WHEREAS, SANY offered new school year opening ceremony and PD activities for all staff members across the district. School provide one day program including breakfast, lunch and refreshments and several sessions in a big venue and the best possible destination for the long distance travelers from Rochester and Utica. Originally, it was not

necessary to get a board level approval since it was less than 20K. Because of the increased size of the event and the additional required services such as AV equipment, additional rooms and capacity increase etc., the total cost slightly increased and exceeded \$20K threshold.

Vendors	DESCRIPTION	Price
Doubletree by Hilton Syracuse	Food and Beverage for 350 people / Standing Podium with Microphone / Projector / Rental Rooms. *Note:	\$20,691
SpeedRFP- Ramada	Ramada doesn't include AV equipment in their	\$15,420
The ON Center	proposals. Oncenter, does not include other snacks throughout the day and additional AV	\$19,960

RESOLVED, that DoubleTree hotel program fees and service amount in the amount of \$20,691 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.9

WHEREAS, SANY unified and updated the teacher and dean dashboard for all schools as one document for 2022-23 school year.

RESOLVED that the 2022-23 SANY teacher and dean dashboards, and will be budgeted within 2023-24 fiscal year are hereby approved.

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.10

WHEREAS, Samantha Turnquest, SANY alumni, will be added to the board membership pending upon state approval.

RESOLVED that The SANY Charter Schools Board of Trustees, having conducted a thorough criminal history record check via fingerprinting which is deemed acceptable by NYSED, and having discovered no State or federal criminal history, or having provided information regarding such history to NYSED, if found, and having verified that any academic and/or professional credential or qualification presented by the proposed member is genuine, and having reviewed the application in its entirety, has voted to select Samantha Turnquest as a member to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on 8/1/2025, pending approval by NYSED. The resolution approving Samantha Turnquest is adopted upon NYSED's approval.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221029.11

WHEREAS, SANY renting 1415 W Genesee St, which is next to District Office, as Conference center. Initial rental agreement was made with the understanding the Landlord will put \$250K renovations to make updates, demolitions, etc. in the building. However, School requested additional changes on the original plans and added additional large window opening (6 new openings, 2 enlargements and 3 inside office windows), additional demolitions to increase the flow of light on the first floor, additional bathroom updates on basement, new carpet flooring instead of existing hardwood floors, modern LED light fixtures, opening and installing glass door, electric panel removal and relocations in order to create more spaces to conference room, 2 kitchenettes for each conference room (required additional plumbing and electricals). These school requested additional changes will add additional \$220,000 cost beyond agreed \$250K planned renovations. Landlord gives two options for the additional cost: option A) Either Landlord pays for additional cost upfront now but increase the rent \$2 /sqf or option B) SANY pays the additional cost with no additional rental increase. In the first option Landlord takes upfront cost but gains more in long-term (after 9 years), in the second option, SANY takes the upfront cost and gains in the long-term (within 9 years).

RESOLVED that option b is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: All in favor but abstained by Fehmi Damkaci

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. Audit Presentation: Auditor provided results of their audit. There were no deficiency or recommendations were reported. Verbal recommendation was to hire additional staff at business office to support the growth of the schools.
- 2. Internal audit report: none was given
- 3. UAS Deans Board meeting presentation: academic reporting was made for both K-8 and high school regent exams. Board members asked questions about drops in Math K-3 and how that cane be addressed.
- 4. UAS Charter Renewal. No public hearing in Utica but in Frankfort. Several support letters were received, including 6 councilpersons, Assembly woman, university presidents, and MCC foundation.
- 5. SANY 20th year anniversary: May 25th 6 pm with reception. There will be 10th anniversary for UAS as well.
- 6. Annual Conflict of Interest Declarations: Dr. Fehmi Damkaci with Terra Science and Education and School has leases with Terra Science and Education, but Terra provides several grants and scholarships. Jodi DeAugustine with Rockbridge Investments and SANY has investment account with the company, started before Jodi joined our board.

Superintendent's Report I.

Enrollment

September 2022	Total Enrollment	E	LL	Sp	ed	Poverty	FRL Rate
Syracuse Academy of Science	1001	50	5%	91	9%	794	79%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	587	36	6%	54	9%	481	82%
Utica Academy of Science	881	101	11%	51	6%	683	78%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	155	6	4%	0	0%	97	63%
SANY District	2624	193	7%	196	7%	2055	78%

Demographics

October 2022	Target	%	Total Enrollment	Black or African Male Female American White							nite	Asian		
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	102.67%	1001	461	46%	540	54%	692	69%	238	24%	42	4%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	97.83%	587	281	48%	306	52%	439	75%	90	15%	39	7%	
Utica Academy of Science	858	102.68%	881	421	48%	460	52%	332	38%	353	40%	140	16%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	90.64%	155	81	52%	74	48%	139	88%	12	8%	2	1%	
SANY District	2604	94.82%	2469	1163	47%	1306	53%	1463	59%	681	28%	221	9%	

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address.

Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Chanel Turnquest, to adjourn the meeting at 9.05 pm. **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 11/16/2022 **Place :** SAS High School

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81793458825?pwd=SHNIQTZvWUx3K0tESVRJV2JJMmhqZz09 Meeting ID: 811 0041 1977 Passcode: 443348

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.35 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Chanel Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 10/19/2022

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

1. Bank accounts reconciliation

- 2. Review of payments
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of Minimum Wage and Substitute Teacher Rate Increase
- 3. Approval of Money Market Saving Accounts
- 4. Approval of Lease/Buyout Vehicle for SANY DO
- 5. Approval of Health Benefit Renewals
- 6. Approval of Holiday Gift for SANY Staff
- 7. Approval of Cabling Project for CSAS MS
- 8. Approval of SANY Annual Tax Return (990 form)
- 9. Approval of Changes in SAS, UAS, CSAS and CSAR Charter School Agreements

Discussion

- 1. Baxter's International Foundation \$25,000 grant (former W Allyn):
- 2. Micro Relations:
- 3. General Discussion:

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Chanel Turnquest to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #221116.1

RESOLVED, that hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

▶ Motion #221116.2

WHEREAS, NYS minimum wages will increase to \$14.20 in Upstate NY as of 1/1/2023. Our cleaning crew and intern current starting rate is \$14. Therefore, SANY propose to increase all Cleaners, Interns, Maintenance and Administrative Assistants receive a \$1 base increase. SANY would like to find qualified Substitute Teacher with a reasonable rates in the region with competitive daily wage. SANY would like to make daily wages \$160 in Utica region and \$170 in Syracuse and Rochester.

RESOLVED, that increase the base rate for the cleaners, interns, maintenance and administrative assistants \$1 as of January 1, 2023 and; effective immediately substitute teacher daily rate \$160 in Utica and \$170 in Syracuse and Rochester is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Chanel Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.3

WHEREAS, SANY would like to benefit the money market saving accounts rate and invest it's surplus to the money market to generate interest revenue while the money sits in the bank account. The money will be not locked for any term and will be available to use when it's needed and the interest rate will be variable rate and will change if the interest rate is increased.

RESOLVED, that SANY will invest \$6M to the saving account with 3% current rate in Pathfinder Bank is hereby approved.

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.4

WHEREAS, SANY needs to make a decision to buyout the existing lease vehicle or sign a new lease agreement for a new one.

Lea	Lease vs Buyout										
Dealers	Proposal Amount										
Romano Ford – 2022 Ford Explorer											
MSRP:\$42,155	\$525/monthly+\$3,000 for 36 months for 12K/year										
Davidson Ford of Clay- 2022 Ford Explorer											
MSRP:\$42,155	\$607/monthly+\$2,000 for 36 months for 12K/year										
Existing Ford Explorer-2020	\$22,838.28 + titling fees										
Burritt Motors-2023 Grand Cherokee											
MSRP:\$44,200	\$574/monthly for 39 months for 12K/year										
	\$578.91/monthly+\$2,246.25 for 36 months for										
Honda City-2022 Pilot MSRP:\$44,000	12K/per year										
	\$541.98/monthly+\$3,221.37 for 36 months for										
Honda City-2022 Passport MSRP:\$42,053	12K/per year										

RESOLVED, that SANY will continue with the buyout option for the existing 2020 Ford Explorer in the amount of \$22,838 plus title fees is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.5

WHEREAS, the health insurance policy has to be renewed effective as of January 1, 2023. SANY looked for multiple insurance providers and compared their plans including self-insured program. The health insurance cost will increase 9.5% and this is the lowest increase while keeping the services at the similar level.

	FULLY II	NSURED	SELF-FUNDED	SELF-FUNDED
Component/Renewal Option	2022 - Excellus Fully Insured	2023 - Excellus Fully Insured Renewal <mark>REVISED</mark>	2023 Captive Resources Univera	2022 Excellus BCBS ASO & Stop Loss
Medical Administration			\$257,875	\$147,580
Captive Fees			\$0	\$0
Collateral			\$32,658	\$99,500
Broker Fees	°		\$101,232	\$101,232
Spec Deductible			\$100,000	\$100,000
Contract Period	2		12/15	12/15
Specific			\$309,568	\$322,158
Aggregate	1		\$35,245	\$25,148
Total Stop Loss Premium			\$344,813	\$347,306
Expected Claims			\$2,331,316	\$2,726,700
Maximum Claims			\$2,797,579	\$3,408,375
Total Fixed Costs			\$635,346	\$695,618
Expected Total Cost / 90%			\$2,966,662	\$3,422,318
Maximum Total Cost			\$3,432,925	\$4,103,993
Aggregate Fully Insured Premium	\$3,042,501	\$3,331,559		
RISK CORRIDOR			\$466,263	\$681,675
EXPECTED/FULLY INSURED				
Variance from 2022 (%)		9.5%	-2.5%	12.5%
Variance from 2022 (\$)		\$289,057	-\$75,840	\$379,816
MAXIMUM				
Variance from 2022 (%)	N/A	N/A	12.8%	34.9%
Variance from 2022 (\$)	N/A	N/A	\$390,423	\$1,061,491

RESOLVED, that purchasing health insurance policy from BCBS as presented is hereby approved.

Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.6

WHEREAS, SANY would like to show our appreciation for their dedication to their staff, therefore the school would like to offer vest, fleece and cardigan options for staff this year. RESOLVED, that purchasing of following items not to exceed \$36,000 for school staff is hereby approved, with the condition of 3 quotes and make the purchases with the lowest option including delivery, gift packaging and custom embroidery before the December meeting in order to get the product for the holidays.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Chanel Turnquest **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.7

WHEREAS, SANY has decided that a camera system is needed at CSAS Middle School's new Liverpool building. SANY IT Department issued an RFP on 10/26/2022 in order to obtain proposals from vendors. IT Department has also contacted eligible companies and invited them to bid on this project. Two eligible proposals are received by the time the bidding window is closed. These are presented to the SANY Board.

CSAS Middle School Camera System Project Proposal Selection Chart										
Vendors Invited to Submit a Proposal	Vendors Responded to the Proposal Request	Proposal Amount								
Lantek Security and Automation	Yes	\$129,064.65								
Syracuse Time & Alarm Company	Yes	\$248,900.00								
Chimera Integrations	No									
Day Automation	No									
Northland Communications	No									
Doyle Security Systems	No									
Secure Net Solutions	No									

RESOLVED, that working with Lantek Security and Automation in the amount of \$129,064.65 is hereby approved as the vendor competent and their proposal presents the best value for SANY.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.8

WHEREAS, SANY's annual tax return is prepared by the independent auditors after their annual audits on financial statement.

RESOLVED, that SANY annual tax return (990 form) is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221116.9

WHEREAS, The NYSED Education Department has recently been granted additional authority to approve enrollment changes within the limits already approved by the Regents. A modification of the school's charter agreement (at the top of page 4) is required to implement this change.

RESOLVED, that the following language change on SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR charter school agreements is hereby approved.

In all cases, the Charter School shall not have enrollment below eight-five percent (85%) of the Charter School's approved enrollment for a given academic year, in excess of the Charter School's approved maximum enrollment, in excess of the Charter School's approved enrollment for a given academic year, or which differs from approved grades to be served in a given academic year, absent approval of <u>NYSED and/or</u> the Regents in accordance with Education Law §2852(7) and 8 NYCRR §3.16(c). NYSED reserves the right to seek the Regents' approval regarding any modifications to the Charter School's approved enrollment, including instances in which the modification would result in an enrollment decrease resulting in the total number of students enrolled in the Charter School to be between eighty-five percent (85%) and ninety-nine percent (99%) of the approved enrollment.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. Baxter's International Foundation \$25,000 grant (former W Allyn): It will be used for virtual reality program and 3D printer.
- 2. *Micron Relations:* Senior Vice president visited the school, they will sponsor the students to visit their sites in Virginia.
- 3. General Discussion: Utica Academy will have site visit on Wednesday November 30th.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

September 2022	Total Enrollment	E	LL	Sp	ed	Poverty	FRL Rate	
Syracuse Academy of Science	1000	50	5%	89	9%	803	80%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	587	36	6%	54	9%	472	80%	

Utica Academy of Science	880	101	11%	51	6%	680	77%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	155	7	5%	19	12%	97	63%
SANY District	2622	194	7%	213	8%	2052	78%

Demographics

			Total					Blac Afri					
October 2022	Target	%	Enrollment	Ma	1ale Female		American		White		As	ian	
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	102.56%	1000	461	46%	539	54%	690	69%	237	24%	44	4%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	97.83%	587	282	48%	305	52%	440	75%	89	15%	40	7%
Utica Academy of Science	858	102.56%	880	421	48%	459	52%	332	38%	353	40%	141	16%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	90.64%	155	81	52%	74	48%	139	88%	12	8%	2	1%
SANY District	2604	94.74%	2467	1164	47%	1303	53%	1462	59%	679	28%	225	9%

SAS

- Friday, November 11th, 2022: "This nation will remain the land of the free only as long as it is home of the brave."-- Elmer Davis. School is closed today in observance of Veterans Day. Veterans Day is a federal holiday honoring military veterans in the United States. If you know a loved one who served in the military, say a special thank you to them today! Classes will resume on Monday, November 14th.
- 2. Thursday, November 10th, 2022: Scholars in Mrs. Bloss' Second Grade Class at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary worked hard to write letters to special Veterans in their lives and the community. The children explored what it means to be a Veteran and the rights they defended when honoring our country. We would also like to give a special shout-out to two Veterans in particular that the children wrote to that served overseas and now serve as police officers in the Syracuse Community; Officer DiPuccio and Officer Bougourd. Thank you for your service. Happy Veterans Day!
- **3.** Thursday, November 10th, 2022: "What choices will you make to lead to the opportunities you want in life?" Onondaga Community College President Dr. Warren

Hilton, and Vice President of Enrollment Management Sarah Gaffney, addressed Syracuse Academy of Science sophomores and juniors. Dr. Warren discussed the benefits of attending a two-year college, the scholarships and courses OCC offers, and highlighted the importance of taking college credits while still in high school. It was a very beneficial discussion for our school community.

- 4. Wednesday, November 9th, 2022: "A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies... The man who never reads lives only once." Families from Syracuse Academy of Science came out to enjoy literacy night! Students and their families participated in carnival-themed reading and writing activities, including bowling pins, ring toss, concession stand writing, circus animal matching, and more. We also had community members, including Empower FCU, Syracuse Fire Department, Help Me Grow Onondaga, Betts Branch Public Library, and Syracuse Police Department, along with information from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. We love partnering with our community to build even stronger readers! Thank you to all who came out to support our Literacy Night event!
- **5.** Tuesday, November 8th, 2022: There is no school today for Superintendents Day! All staff must still report. Enjoy the day off, Atoms!
- 6. Friday, November 4th, 2022: A small act of kindness goes a long way! Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary Students in Ms. Cahalan's "Kind Kiddos" socialemotional learning Lunch Bunch group passed out roses to teachers as their weekly act of kindness. These students spent the last two weeks brainstorming various acts of kindness that they can lead throughout the school year to create an overall positive school climate. They decided to start by giving "A beautiful rose to a beautiful teacher." Stay tuned for more Lunch Bunch posts as Ms. Cahalan works to bring students together each day during lunch!
- 7. Saturday, November 5th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary Atoms also competed in the CNY Bridge Building competition at the MOST. Our team had to endure strict regulations to qualify for the competition. Their bridges were checked by inspectors, ensuring each was the correct height, width, and weight. Once they qualified, they got to wear a special badge that told individuals they were competing. Our team then waited until it was our time to test the bridges. The process started with their bridge being placed on a podium with a weight resting on the bottom. Under their bridge tester pushed on the lever. The harder they pushed, the more weight was placed on the bridge. Once the bridge reached its max capacity of weight, it snapped. Overall, it was a fun experience, and the students worked hard on their bridges. Good work, team! You all should be proud of your achievements and the efforts you put forth for this competition. A big thank you to the families that took time out of their morning to attend their child's competition. Without you, it would not have been possible.

8. Saturday, November 5th, 2022: The Syracuse Academy of Science robotics team attended the CNY Bridge building competition at the MOST. Eight teams from SAS joined in the competition and took home 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place in the high school division and 3rd place in middle school division. Students had to design and construct a balsa wood bridge to measure efficiency; which is a measure of how many times its own weight the bridge can support before structural failure.

Congratulations to the following students in the senior division: 1st Place: Taha Hayali and Halis Mutlu 2nd Place: Samara Hurtado and Joshua Morales 3rd Place: Yakina Sika-Amoah and Grace O'Neill 4th Place: Andre McClain and Migual Mathis

Congratulations to the students in the junior division: 3rd Place: Lester Gonzales, Aamiran Ridha and Jok Jok.

- **9.** It's time to spotlight another amazing teacher at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary! Meet Mrs. Tracy! She has been with SAS for seven years as a 3rd-grade teacher and has been a teacher since 2007! She went to college at the State University of New York at Oswego. Mrs. Tracy lives with her husband, three children, and a puppy named Bella. Mrs. Tracy is passionate about teaching and watching her students grow and learn new things daily. She enjoys boating with her family and is most inspired by her father. Thank you, Mrs. Tracy, for being an integral part of the SAS Elementary School team!
- **10.** November 3rd & 4th, 2022: Spirit week may be over for Syracuse Academy of Science atoms, but we can't forget about the last two days! Day four was sweatpants day where students got to ditch their uniforms for comfy clothes! And the last day was college shirt day. Thank you to everyone who participated in #spiritweek. We're already looking forward to next year!
- **11.** Wednesday, November 2nd, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science High Schoolers were seeing double! Day three of spirit week was twin day. Whether students dressed to look like their best friend, classmate, or teacher, we saw some very creative outfits!
- **12.** Tuesday, November 1st, 2022: It's #SpiritWeek here at Syracuse Academy of Science High School and these Atoms prove there is no "I" in team by showing support for their favorite sports team! Day two of spirit week is Fandom day. These are just a few of the students sporting their favorite gear.
- **13.** Monday, October 31st, 2022: It was just a bunch of hocus pocus in the halls of Syracuse Academy of Science. These high-schoolers had a spook-tacular time celebrating the first day of spirit week with a fall festival, proving you're never too old to dress up for Halloween. We hope everyone has a safe and happy Halloween!

- 14. Why are ghosts so bad at telling lies? Because you can see right through them! There weren't many ghosts at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School's Fall festival costume parade, but there were plenty of princesses! That's because the theme of this year's parade was Walt Disney with Disney characters! Staff, students, and even some parents dressed up in costumes for an outdoor parade around the playground, followed by some fall crafts and activities in classrooms. We hope everyone had a safe and happy Halloween!
- **15.** Saturday, October 29th, 2022: Mr. Stowe and Mr. Yaman took congressional award students to Ithaca, where they visited Ithaca Falls and Robert Truman State Park. Regular expeditions are just one part of what it takes to be a congressional award candidate on top of community service, physical fitness, and personal development. It was a beautiful day for our students to work toward their goals and achieve success together.
- 16. Friday, October 28th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School's character trait for October was Trustworthiness. To be trustworthy means to be reliable, keep promises, and do what you say you will do. Trustworthiness also means telling the truth and being honest with words and actions, even when it may be difficult. Congratulations to Mrs. Eno, Ms. Pikowski, and all of our students of the month for being so Trustworthy!
- 17. Friday, October 28th, 2022: Representatives from Micron visited Syracuse Academy of Science High School. Senior vice president and Chief People Officer April Arnzen, and Head of Social Impact for Micron Technology Robert Simmons spoke with a large group of our students about why Micron chose to build a facility in Clay and the type of job opportunities they offer. This was the first meeting Micron had with students in Central New York. There were even a couple of business cards passed out to students. Who knows, some atoms may be working for Micron in the future!
- **18.** Thursday, October 27th, 2022: 3rd and 4th grade Syracuse Academy of Science Atoms had the once-in-a-lifetime experience of watching President Joe Biden's convoy on their way up to Onondaga Community College! Students made signs and posters and waved as the cars drove by. The President traveled to Syracuse for Micron's \$100 billion investment in CNY. Atoms were extremely lucky to witness this extraordinary moment in history!
- 19. Monday, October 24th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Second Grade Atoms celebrated the start of Diwali. Students practiced meditating, made paper lanterns, and a Rangoli craft to celebrate this festival of lights. Diwali is a five-day religious festival and one of the most important festivals within Hinduism. 2nd Grade had just finished their Ancient Asian Civilizations unit, which lined up nicely with Diwali.

- **20.** Monday, October 24th, 2022: "Family trees need strong branches and deep roots." As part of our efforts to increase Culturally Responsive Teaching, Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School will encourage families to participate in various Family Projects during the school year. Students and families were tasked with creating a Family Tree together in October. Where we come from and who encompasses our families are an important part of who we are, and a family tree project allows students to show off their backgrounds. These are just a small sample of some of the beautiful and thought-out family trees that came into school. Thank you to all the parents, guardians, and family members that helped our scholars make this first Family Project a great success!
- 21. Monday, October 24th, 2022: Dean of Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary school Meghan Miller visited classroom 2-A for a read-aloud! Mrs. Miller is reading through the "There Was An Old Lady" series and started with "There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed Some Leaves." Students participated by reading their line: "perhaps she'll sneeze!" Thank you, Mrs. Miller, for reading with our second graders!
- **22.** Sunday, October 16th, 2022: 30 Students in Mr. Yaman's Turkish Class visited the Turkish Festival in Washington DC. These Syracuse Academy of Science atoms had a chance to practice their Turkish language skills, and learn Turkish culture in an authentic setting. They also visited some of the National landmarks such as; the Lincoln Monument, Washington Monument, World War II monument, and US Capitol.
- **23.** Saturday, October 15th, 2022: Four of our all-star Syracuse Academy of Science seniors played their final regular-season soccer game! Congratulations to Jose Santana, Jamal Abdirahman, Nischal Kharel, and Taha Hayali. Thank you for your hard work and dedication over the last four years. However, we're not done quite yet. The next step for the team is the Sectionals. Good luck, and go Atoms!
- 24. Saturday, October 15th, 2022: The Syracuse Academy of Science Robotics team did it again! Five teams competed in the CNY Steamboat Challenge tournament presented by the MOST. For this competition, students had to design and construct a miniature working steamboat powered by a single tealight candle. Teams were judged based on five categories: fastest race time, boat design, STEM knowledge, creativity, and teamwork. Syracuse Academy of Science had one group of middle schoolers in division 2 and received second place. The other teams were made up of high schoolers in division 3 and received first, second, third, and fourth place.

Congratulations to the following students for placing in this year's CNY Steamboat Competition:

1st Place in High School Category: Samara Hurtado, Mickayla Pagan, and Joshua Morales2nd Place in High School Category: Halis Mutlu and Taha Hayali3rd Place in High School Category: Migual Mathis and Andre McClain

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4th Place in High School Category: Yakina Sika Amoah and Arna Boatema Amoah 2nd Place in Middle School Category: Aamiran Ridha, Lester Gonzalez, and Jok Jok

Congratulations to all our winners!

- **25.** Friday, October 14th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science is paving the road to success for our Atoms; choosing which college to go to can be a very grueling and challenging process. So, we are bringing representatives from Colleges and universities into our schools to talk to students. Le Moyne College and Boston University met with students on October 14th. We had excellent conversations about the specifics of each school and navigating college admissions. We hope this helped ease some of the anxiety for our students. Be on the lookout for more visits from colleges soon!
- **26.** Friday, October 14th, 2022: Let's get rid of these Monday afternoon blues by remembering a fun Friday morning! Syracuse Academy of Science 4th graders took a walk on a sunny, cool morning to Webster's Duck Pond. Atoms were able to feed ducks and take in the beautiful scenery. Students learned about the geography that makes up the pond and its importance for the ecosystems surrounding the duck pond. Students also observed different species of ducks and learned how these birds would not migrate due to the pond not entirely freezing over, which allows the birds to stay. These lucky ducks had a blast enjoying some exercise and seeing nature outside the classroom!
- **27.** Wednesday, October 12th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Third graders weren't monkeying around on their first field trip of the school year. They took their knowledge from the classroom on animal classification to the Rosamond Gifford Zoo. Students became taxonomists for the day and classified various animals including amphibians, mammals, birds, fish, and reptiles. Students were thrilled to get outside and use their learning in an engaging, hands-on way!
- **28.** Wednesday, October 12th, 2022: During fire safety week, Syracuse Academy of Science had the pleasure of having firefighter Gilbert talk to the second graders. Firefighter Gilbert explored fire safety and procedures with the children in case of an emergency. He read the book "No Dragons for Tea" and allowed the atoms to see up close the fire safety equipment firefighters use daily. Mr. Gilbert has a child in second grade, so he was excited to share his profession and knowledge with atoms of the same age! Thank you, Mr. Gilbert, for being an excellent guest speaker.
- **29.** Tuesday, October 11th, 2022: Take a peek inside Ms. A-B's Kindergarten Art Class! Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School Kindergarteners did some painting and learned that two overlapping colors make a new color. For this lesson, students were shown how red and yellow polka dots overlap to make orange! These atoms had fun experimenting with paint to create their masterpieces!

- **30.** Thursday October 6th, 2022: Twelve exceptional 4th graders were selected to share a special breakfast with our SANY Superintendent, Dr. Tolga Hayali. Students joined Dr. Hayali and Dean, Mrs. Miller, in the cafeteria for waffles, turkey bacon, fresh fruit, milk, and juice. Dr. Hayali and our 4th graders discussed why they were chosen to represent their grade, their goals for the future, and what they would change in our school if they were the principal. Students were excited to be selected, and Dr. Hayali enjoyed spending time with these Atoms.
- **31.** Thursday, October 6th, 2022: 13 Syracuse Academy of Science High School students were honored at a ceremony as they received congressional awards. These students have been participating in The Congressional Awards program since October 2021. Every Saturday, Mr. Yaman and Mr. Turgay's students set aside a portion of their day to work on their Congressional Award requirements. On top of the hours they spend on their personal development and physical fitness, they serve their community and earn community service hours by volunteering their time at the Thrifty Shopper store in East Syracuse. These students visited multiple cities throughout their journeys, such as Boston, NYC, and Washington, DC. They camped in the Adirondacks, exploring their country by meeting the Congressional Award Expedition/Exploration requirement. Hard work pays off, and we are so proud of our scholars for meeting their goals and receiving this high honor from the United States Congress. Congratulations, Atoms!
- **32.** What do you get if you divide the circumference of a pumpkin by its diameter? A pumpkin pi! On Monday, October 3rd, Syracuse Academy of Science first graders didn't make any pumpkin pie, but they did get to visit Tim's Pumpkin patch. The farm in Marietta is a fall staple for families here in Central New York. Students took a tractor wagon ride, picked pumpkins, and enjoyed delicious cider and donuts. It was a gourd-tastic way to kick off October!
- **33.** It's time to shine the spotlight on one of our outstanding teachers! Mr. Metz is a teacher at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary school. He is originally from Ilion, New York. He graduated from SUNY Potsdam with a BA in History and Theatre and an MST in Childhood Education. Mr. Metz has been teaching in various roles for almost a decade. He has lived and worked in both New York and North Carolina. Theatre and sports are some of his favorite pastimes. He works a second job with the Syracuse Mets and is involved in Community Theatre. Mr. Metz enjoys attending SU Basketball and Football games and Syracuse Crunch Hockey. He is a fan of Disney and will never say no to a slice of pizza. His mom and dad most inspire Mr. Metz, and he must like to give positive feedback because his most used emoji is the thumbs-up emoji! This is Mr. Metz's first year with Syracuse Elementary, and we couldn't be happier to have him on our team. Thank you for all you do day in and day out, Mr. Metz!
- **34.** Friday, September 30th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science 4th-grade students experienced life outside the classroom! These adventurous Atoms explored Beaver Lake

Nature Center in Baldwinsville. Students took guided tours of the bog and woods and learned about different species of trees and animals that live in the environment, and they even got to see some cranberries growing! As these students had just wrapped up their ecology unit, they asked some very informed questions and were able to apply what they learned to a real-world environment.

- **35.** Friday, September 30th, 2022: All three kindergarten classes enjoyed their first walking field trip to Syracuse fire station 18. During the field trip, students learned about fire safety and how to keep each other and themselves safe from harm. While we were there, students enjoyed watching the firefighters come down the fire pole, suit up in their protective gear, and they even got to sit in the fire truck! Our Atoms had a great time and couldn't wait to share what they learned with their families! Thank you, Station 18, for taking the time to have us visit!
- **36.** Friday September 30th, 2022: "A library card is a start of a lifelong adventure." Ms. Fogarty's second-grade class got the opportunity to explore the nearby library. Students and some parents walked to Betts Branch Library, where they learned about all the materials available at the local library. Students then read several books to one another and enjoyed read-alouds.
- **37.** Friday, September 30th, 2022: Each month Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School celebrates a character trait and the students and staff members in our building that exhibit the trait every day. The month of September's character trait was Responsibility. Responsibility means being dependable, making good choices, and taking accountability for your actions. A responsible citizen looks out for the well-being of others and understands we all have a part to play in making the world a better place. Please join us in celebrating Ms. Ansbrow, Ms. Cahalan, and all our students of the month for being Responsible! Way to go, Atoms!
- **38.** Thursday, September 29th, 2022: It's hard to believe it's already October! It feels like the first day of school was just yesterday! Syracuse Academy of Science High School held their Back to School Night for families on Thursday, September, 29th. At check-in, students received a sign-in sheet to ensure they were introducing their families to their core class and elective teachers. Families and students could walk freely throughout the first floor of the building to visit classrooms and meet grade-level teacher teams. Teachers handed out information about the course, and parents were able to schedule parent-teacher conferences or home visits to discuss their student's progress in more detail. We hope Back to School night was a positive and helpful experience for all who attended. We're looking forward to the rest of the school year and building success one Atom at a time.
- **39.** It's time to shine the spotlight on another outstanding Atom! Allow us to introduce you to Ms. Taylor, administrative assistant at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary school!

Ms. Taylor has worked for Syracuse Academy since 2017. She is a mom, loves fishing, the color green, and hates driving long distances! Ms. Taylor went to Tompkins Cortland Community College and is most inspired by her mom! Ms. Taylor is also a great team player! We cannot express enough how lucky we are as a school to have Ms. Taylor on our team. We are many atoms, one family.

- **40**. Wednesday, September 28th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School's 2B Class was supposed to walk to the Library for a field trip. When the rain forced their teachers to cancel, they made the best of it by inviting parents to read to the class! 2B atoms explored the book "The Word Collector" by Peter H. Reynolds. In "The Word Collector," the main character Jerone, uses expressive vocabulary and shares it with the world around him. The children in 2B investigated words and connected them to synonyms to expand their vocabulary, followed by an investigation of keywords from the book. Parent volunteers engaged and supported the expansion of learning with their SANY scholars.
- **41.** September 16-18: Syracuse Academy of Science High School had a bunch of "happy campers" over the weekend! Mr. Yaman and Mr. Serkan's Congressional Awards students camped in tents on Wellesley Island in the Thousand Islands. They enjoyed swimming, hiking, fishing, and exploring the area with their friends and Congressional Award mentors.
- **42.** Friday, September 2, 2022: While the students are away, the teachers will play! During the last two weeks of summer, Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School teachers participated in the summer institute. The event was full of training, team building, and fun! We also celebrated our outstanding teachers and staff at SANY, no matter how long they have been here! We are so excited to be back to school!

CSA Syracuse

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- **2.** Tuesday, November 8th, 2022: There is no school today for Superintendents Day! All staff must still report. Enjoy the day off, Atoms!
- **3.** Monday, October 31st, 2022: Why did the scarecrow win a medal? He was outstanding in his field. Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Atoms had an outstanding time at their fall festival. Students had fun wearing their favorite costumes to school and for the

last hour of class, they got to do a fall activity like painting pumpkins, dancing, playing games, or even enjoying some fresh air during recess!

- **4.** Wednesday, October 19th, 2022: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse students were recognized with certificates for the monthly character trait of "Respect." These students were nominated by their teachers for showing the 3 C's: consideration, care, and courtesy for themselves, someone, or something. Congratulations to these outstanding scholars!
- 5. Tuesday, October 11th, 2022: Twelve outstanding Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Middle School students had lunch with SANY Superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali. Dr. Hayali told them why they were chosen for this special event and talked about how they liked being at our new school! It's all part of an ongoing effort to help staff and students connect better with each other!
- **6.** Wednesday, September 28th, 2022: Senator Rachel May visited our 4th-grade students. She discussed the importance of the electoral process, her duties and responsibilities, and the impact of her work on the community. She also toured our school, meeting with our Dean, Mr. Frisina, to further discuss funding for students and the positive impact of music and physical education programs in schools. Thank you, Senator May, for taking time out of your busy schedule to talk to our Atoms!
- 7. Tuesday, September 27th, 2022: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Middle school hosted their first Back To School Night! Parents were able to see the new classrooms and meet all of the teachers and staff members. We're looking forward to a successful school year. Good luck, Atoms!
- 8. Friday September 16, 2022- Imagine being able to stay in your pajamas after waking up in the morning. Well, some lucky atoms got to do just that! 4th Graders at Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse participated in our school-wide event, "Pancakes and Pajamas!" Students decorated paper pancakes to express who they are grateful for in their lives. It was a cozy day filled with fun and gratitude!
- **9.** September 16, 2022: Hola! National Hispanic Heritage Month began yesterday. It's celebrated annually in the United States from September 15 to October 15 to recognize the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans to the history and culture that shape the U.S. today. Did you know the observations started in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson, but it wasn't enacted into law until 1988? Each year focuses on a different theme, and this year it's "Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation."
- **10.** Thursday, September 15, 2022- Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Elementary School Atoms made their mark on International Dot Day! This is a global celebration of creativity, courage, and collaboration. Students listened to a read-aloud of "The Dot,"

showcased their creativity by creating their own dots, and participated in a live stream with the author, Peter H. Reynolds, at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Great job, Atoms!

11. Wednesday, September 7, 2022- Students in Mr. Thayer's second-grade class kicked off the year by creating an All About Me T-Shirt. Each student wrote their name and age on their T-shirt, which they were able to decorate with a self-portrait and pictures of their favorite foods and games. This creative activity helped students learn about their classmates and how each is unique in their own way!

UAS

- Friday, November 11th, 2022: "This nation will remain the land of the free only as long as it is home of the brave."-- Elmer Davis. School is closed today in observance of Veterans Day. Veterans Day is a federal holiday honoring military veterans in the United States. If you know a loved one who served in the military, say a special thank you to them today! Classes will resume on Monday, November 14th.
- 2. Wednesday, November 9th, 2022: Lions and tigers and bears... oh my! Utica Academy of Science 1st graders visited the Utica Zoo. They were excited to see the animals and the animals were excited to see them! The monkeys were showing off their tricks, the lions were roaring and the wolves were howling. We had a great experience walking through the nature trail where students followed the paw print clues to find their way out!
- **3.** Tuesday, November 8th, 2022: There is no school today for Superintendents Day! All staff must still report. Enjoy the day off, Atoms!
- **4.** Saturday, November 5th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science 7th and 8th graders participated in the CNY Bridge Challenge at the MOST in Syracuse. Ten teams from Utica Academy of Science and about 40 teams total competed. For the competition, students are tasked with designing and constructing a truss bridge built entirely of glue and balsa wood. Bridges are tested for their efficiency rating, a measure of how many times its weight the bridge can support before structural failure. Congratulations, UAS Atoms! We are proud of your hard work and diligence!
- 5. Friday, November 4th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School is happy to announce we held an Instant Decision Day with SUNY Poly. Scholars met with Jeffery, the admissions officer, for five to ten-minute interview sessions. Ninety percent of the students who participated were accepted! We are very proud of our seniors! Congratulations to those that got in!
- **6.** Thursday, November 3rd, 2022: A wonderful group of Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School scholars from the Future Medical Professionals Club, Club President Mia Bajic, and her team raised over \$250 by selling pink ribbons for breast cancer

research. They achieved this in less than a week! Thank you to all the staff that supported our students in this fundraiser. They were so proud of their accomplishment!

- **7.** Monday, October 31st, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Elementary School students and staff were doing the monster mash at their annual Halloween party! Dressing as their favorite characters was the perfect way to kick off #spiritweek at the school. We hope everyone had plenty of treats and no tricks this Halloween!
- **8.** Monday, October 31st, 2022: Welcome, foolish mortals! Take a walk through Utica Academy of Science's Haunted Hallways if you dare! It was all tricks and no treats at the junior-senior high school. These creative atoms organized Haunted Hallways. It was a spook-tacular event to celebrate Halloween.
- **9.** Thursday, September 29th, 2022: It may almost be November, but today we're throwing it back to the end of September! Utica Academy of Science had its first student of the month assembly for this academic year. Awarding students in different categories for their achievements and success in September was great. We are so proud of every one of our students! Keep shining bright, Atoms!
- 10. Friday, October 28th, 2022: 2nd graders went on a field trip to Pumpkin Junction! Everyone got to pick a pumpkin to take home. They also rode the "Monster Ghoul Bus," a school bus with giant monster truck wheels! Atoms challenged each other to find their way out of the corn maze and rewarded themselves with apple cider and donuts before returning to school.
- 11. Saturday, October 28th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Atoms participated in Harvest on the Hill. About 15 scholars helped set up candy booths and tents. The boys' basketball team and Ms. Williams participated in the parade down James Street in remembrance of community leader Patrick Johnson. He lost his battle with cancer a few weeks ago. Children from the community went from booth to booth getting candy and all types of goodies and treats. We proudly showed the SANY spirit of many atoms, one family, by wearing orange shirts. Ms. Williams took it to the next level sporting her new look... orange hair! Thank you, Ms. Senora Pierce and Ms. Kia Williams, for inviting Utica Academy of Science to such a special community event.
- 12. Friday, October 28th, 2022: October was breast cancer awareness month. To show their support, Utica Academy of Science Elementary School staff and students wore pink to school. Breast cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed among women and the second leading cause of death from cancer, behind lung cancer. It's important to know the symptoms and be your own advocate for your health.
- **13.** Thursday, October 27th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science fourth graders headed to The Farmer's Museum in Cooperstown, NY. We traveled back to 1845 and experienced how

life was for children of that time. We walked through this historic village and visited a blacksmith shop, a pharmacy, a schoolhouse, and the farm animals. We even got the chance to ride the Empire State Carousel!

- 14. Tuesday, October 25th, 2022: What do you call a pumpkin that works at the beach? A life-gourd! This time, Utica Academy of Science first graders went to Pumpkin Junction! Students got to ride on the monster school bus, pick pumpkins, walk through a corn maze, play in the fall leaves, and enjoy cider and doughnuts.
- 15. Wednesday, October 19th, 2022: It's official! Utica Academy of Science High School held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the newly renovated gymnasium. Along with the Utica Chamber of commerce, Superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali announced the completion of the close-to 11,000-square-foot gym. It was just one part of a construction project that began in April 2020 and finished in August 2021. Assemblywoman Marianne Buttenschon presented Utica Academy of Science with a New York State Assembly citation to recognize the accomplishment. Dr. Hayali says the gym is just as important as science labs and libraries. The gym will help enrich our atoms' lives while keeping them active and healthy.
- 16. Monday, October 17th, 2022: 7th Grade Utica Academy of Science students visited the Shakowi Cultural Center at the Oneida Nation. They learned important aspects of Haudenosaunee culture; such as lacrosse, wampum and the five original nations. Atoms were also told the legend of the "No Face Doll" and were able to make traditional corn husk dolls. The legend tells the story of a doll with a beautiful face who was punished for being vain and had her face taken away by the Great Spirit. To this day, Haudenosaunee people don't put a face on their corn husk dolls to remind people, never to think that they are better than anyone else or a great punishment will fall upon them.
- 17. Saturday, October 15th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School took home a bronze medal in the CNY Steamboat Competition! Science Teacher Mr. Babacan took eight teams to compete in the CNY Steamboat Challenge at the MOST. For this competition, students had to design and construct a miniature working steamboat powered by a single tealight candle. Teams were judged based on five categories: fastest race time, boat design, STEM knowledge, creativity, and teamwork. A total of about 35 groups competed. Congratulations to Ajang Laila, Castro Arianna, Mohamed Sohayla, and Mon Aye, who competed on our 8th-grade team and won third place!
- **18.** Tuesday, October 11th, 2022: Fourth graders at Utica Academy of Science made it to the apple orchard this fall! Windy Hill Orchard in Cassville, NY provided beautiful scenery, yummy apple cider and donuts, and a bag of apples for each student to take home. The atoms loved picking their own apples and having a wonderful picnic lunch with their peers and teachers! It was an apple-so-lutely perfect day!

- **19.** October 10th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science cybersecurity class had the opportunity to experience the field in higher education. Atoms went to a Rochester Institute of Technology Open Day where atoms visited the RIT Computing Security Department. Thank you to the Chair of Computing Security, Matthew Wright, for the warm welcome and hospitality!
- **20.** Thursday, October 6th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science's 5th graders spent the day at Fort Stanwix in Rome, New York. It was a fun and informative way for students to learn about this historic landmark's vital role in the Revolutionary War. Our scholars went on a scavenger hunt to learn facts about the Revolution and find the secret meeting place of the soldiers. The Atoms studied the American Revolution in class, so they could apply that knowledge to the activities. Students will continue to learn about what makes a country declare independence in Social Studies this year.
- 21. Thursday, October 6th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science High School organized a Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration assembly. It was an excellent way for the school community to come together and recognize the history and culture of Hispanic Americans in the United States. We want to thank all the faculty, staff, and students involved in the planning and execution. Without you, we would not have been able to come together and celebrate as many atoms, one family. Thank you to our guest speaker, Mr. Sanchez, from Hamilton College, for taking the time out of your schedule to join in.
- **22.** What do adventurous pumpkins do for fun? They go bungee gourd jumping! On Wednesday, October 5th, 3rd grade Utica Academy of Science atoms visited the Pumpkin Junction. Students enjoyed working as a team to navigate a corn maze, took an adventurous ride on the Monster Ghoul Bus, picked out the perfect pumpkin, and enjoyed delicious cider and donuts. It was the perfect day for our atoms to get out of the classroom and have some fall fun!
- 23. Tuesday, October 4th, 2022: The next visit in our College Guidance series was from University at Buffalo! Julie Robertson came to speak with our seniors. This session was a little smaller but no less productive! There were about 8 to 10 students, which made the visit more informative and targeted. They talked about specific majors students were interested in, such as forensics and engineering. Julie spoke about dorm rooms, food (lots of options!), and different opportunities on campus. We also talked about sports and the wide variety of clubs on campus. Students received information about CO-OPS, study abroad programs, SAT requirements, and how to make themselves stand out in applications. Julie provided an open environment where she was honest with students, which made students more open with her as well. We also spoke about an upcoming visit to their campus this year! Be on the lookout for more representatives to show up soon!
- **24.** Monday, October 3rd, 2022: Utica University graciously kicked off the start of our College Guidance series by sending Associate Director of Admissions, Brian Gleitsmann,

to speak to our juniors and seniors. Utica Students learned about the various programs, majors, and affiliations that Utica University offers. They also learned about how to apply, the requirements, and the different available scholarships. Utica is one of our senior body high-interest schools, so it was essential to have them come to talk to the seniors. A group of about 12-15 students also stayed to speak with Mr. Gleitsmann and completed interest cards. Mr. Gleitsmann will provide students with an instant decision day in early November. Be on the lookout for some good news soon! Thank you, Utica University and Mr. Gleitsmann, for helping our soon-to-be graduates!

- **25.** Monday, October 3rd, 2022: Ms. Williams took a group of Utica Academy of Science High School students to the Mohawk Valley Junior Frontiers club meeting. This is a biweekly meeting where students from all grades, ages, and schools come together and receive college guidance. This program has been around for over a decade and continues to provide our community with academic improvement information, foundational skills, and college prep. At the meeting, scholars had to stand up and state their name, grade, age, and something good that has happened to them recently. This is a fundamental way the Junior Frontiers prepares students to be comfortable speaking in front of others and build self-confidence. Atoms received information about community service opportunities, college tours, college fairs, and more. We hope to continue admitting students into the program.
- **26.** Friday, September 30th, 2022: Second-grade Utica Academy of Science students spent the day traveling back to 1845 at the Farmers' Museum in Cooperstown, NY. Students enjoyed a guided tour by knowledgeable and engaging museum educators. Our second graders spent the day visiting the cattle and the farmhouse and watching as a meal was cooked over an open fire. They saw the blacksmith shop and the pharmacy while learning about different experiences of early American life! We finished the trip with a thrilling ride on the Empire State Carousel!
- **27.** Thursday, September 29th, 2022: It was the sixth graders' turn to take a field trip! Utica Academy of Science atoms hiked for a good two hours in Forestport, New York, saw the beautiful fall foliage, ate lunch in a wonderful cabin, and learned the in's and out's of nature in the fall. Students spent the day laughing and learning the whole way!
- **28.** Thursday, September 29th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School students took a field trip to the Farmers' Museum in Cooperstown, New York, where atoms had a chance to enhance their learning experience with real artifacts from history. This unique experience created epic memories for our students and lessons they will bring back to the classroom.
- **29.** Wednesday, September 28th, 2022: It's Coffee Talk time! Utica Academy of Science Elementary School carries on the tradition of inviting families for a coffee talk where

they learn about different school activities and could share ideas to help improve school culture.

- **30.** Tuesday, September 27th: It was the first grader's turn to take a very a-peel-ing trip to Windy Hill Orchard! Students learned how to pick their own apples and had some delicious homemade cider and doughnuts. It was a great day for atoms to enjoy the beautiful colors of fall with their peers.
- 31. Friday, September 23rd, 2022: Let's get loud! Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School organized a Soccer Pep Rally for students during periods 7 & 8 in the gym. The soccer teams were introduced, and atoms tested their athletic skills by playing competitive games among grade levels. It was an exciting way to end the week!
- **32.** Monday, September 26th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School Atoms became one with nature on a field trip to Bald Mountain. It was an excellent opportunity to explore the great outdoors, get some fresh air, and check out the incredible fall foliage in the Adirondacks!
- **33.** Monday, September 19th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Charter School Girls Varsity Soccer Team defeated Madison 2-0! The first goal came in the first half by 7th Grader Ajna Husovic, assisted by 12th grader Damaris Alvarez. The second goal came in the second half, which Damaris Alavarez also scored. Coach Hamza's team played a great game and looked dominant the entire time. Congrats, Lady Atoms Soccer team, on the win!
- **34.** Sunday, September 11th, 2022- Utica Academy of Science Junior Senior High School participated in the Souls of Cornhill Ethnic Festival. This event gave our students and community a chance to come together and give back with school supplies, gear, and community resources! We were so glad to be a part of this fantastic community event!
- **35.** Thursday, August 11th, 2022- Classes may have already started, but we're throwing it back to summer! Utica Academy of Science Cybersecurity Class went on a two-day Cyber boot camp in Virginia with Mr. Seker, and the school's Dean, Mr. Ersoy. College-bound Students had a chance to take a Cybersecurity class at CyberNow Labs and visit the prestigious Verizon Security Operation Center. Special thanks to CyberNow Labs for letting our students use the Security Operation Center and Verizon CISO Steve Swanson for the warm hospitality and an eye-opening presentation on cybersecurity issues.

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- **2.** Tuesday, November 8th, 2022: There is no school today for Superintendents Day! All staff must still report. Enjoy the day off, Atoms!
- **3.** Friday, October 28th, 2022: Please join us in congratulating our students & citizens of the month. The awards are presented to a student who exemplifies dedication, hard work, and persistence. We are very proud to recognize our scholars who not only put their best foot forward academically but also care for others and understand that character matters! Congratulations, Coach Danvers and all our students and citizens of the month.
- 4. Friday, October 21, 2022: Now that we are about a month and a half into the start of the school year, we would like to give you a behind-the-scenes look into our newest school! Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester was so excited to welcome our first-ever class of atoms into a brand new home! Atoms have been busy since September with activities like dinner with the dean, literacy night, and various school assemblies.
- **5.** September 16, 2022: Hola! National Hispanic Heritage Month began yesterday. It's celebrated annually in the United States from September 15 to October 15 to recognize the contributions and influence of Hispanic Americans to the history and culture that shape the U.S. today. Did you know the observations started in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson, but it wasn't enacted into law until 1988? Each year focuses on a different theme, and this year it's "Unidos: Inclusivity for a Stronger Nation."

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Chanel Turnquest, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adjourn the meeting at 7.30 pm. **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

 Date
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 12/21/2022

 Place
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 SAS High School

Zoom Link:

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I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.37pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 11/16/2022

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. *Review of payments*

3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of 2021-22 SAS and UAS teachers and admins dashboard payments
- 3. Approval of New Copiers Lease Agreement
- 4. Approval for Promotional Items for Staff
- 5. Approval of SANY Conference Building Annex Wiring and MDF Project

Discussion

1. SAS academic presentation

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #221221.1

RESOLVED, that hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221221.2

WHEREAS, 2021-22 teacher and dean dashboards are calculated based on state-released academic data for SAS and UAS. The dashboard calculations are as follows: SAS teachers \$72,552; SAS deans \$4,968; UAS teachers \$28,607.50; and UAS Dean \$2,275, SAS OMs \$7,500, UAS OMs 9,785.90, Asst. Superintendent \$10,000.

RESOLVED, that 2021-22 SAS and UAS teacher and admin dashboard payments in total of \$135,688.40 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221221.3

WHEREAS, SANY will upgrade the currently expiring two lease copier machines as of January 2022. Currently, SANY works with BME for the existing copiers as service provider and SANY has been happy with the service that has been received from BME over the years, therefore would like to continue their relationship and keep all copiers under the same company.

Model	Lease Payment	Service and Supply Payment	Monthly Total
Ricoh IMC8000,Ricoh IM9000	861.32	714.3	1,575.62
Canon C5870i, Canon 6780i	815	726	1,541
*Monthly Service and Supply Contract based on 82,000 B&W and 15,000 Color (63 months)			
Canon C5870i (2), Canon 6780i (2) replacing and purchasing existing Xerox contracts (included)	1,712	1,444	3,156
*Monthly Service and Supply Contract based on 140,000 B&W and 32,000 Color (63 months)			

RESOLVED, that new copier lease agreement for SANY schools for four copiers from Canon for 63 months and a service agreement from BME is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221221.4

WHEREAS, SANY would like to show our appreciation for their dedication to their staff, therefore the school would like to offer cardigan, vest, and fleece jacket for staff this year. Just the Right Stuff was able to locate the items requested in the sizes and quantities requested, along with individual packaging for each staff at no charge.

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RESOLVED, that purchasing of the following items from Just to Right Staff for school staff in the amount of \$26,690.06 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #221221.5

WHEREAS, SANY Conference Building project includes low-voltage wiring for telephone, data, wireless internet, and security camera systems. Also, a wiring closet construction, a few electrical works, a camera recording server, indoor/outdoor cameras, and software licenses are included in this project. SANY IT Department issued an RFP on 11/23/2022 to obtain vendors' proposals. IT Department has also contacted eligible companies and invited them to bid on this project. Four eligible proposals are received by the time the bidding window is closed.

DO Annex Wiring and MDF Project Proposal Selection Chart									
Vendors Invited to Proposal Submission	Vendors Responded to the Proposal Request	Proposal Amount	SANY Management's Suggestion						
Lantek Security and Automation	No								

Power Comm Electric	Yes	\$139,186.00	The proposal satisfies RFP requirements. Expensive without additional value.
Chimera Integrations	No		
Day Automation	No		
Northland Communications	Yes	\$103,286.00	The proposal satisfies RFP requirements. The vendor is competent, and their proposal presents the best value for SANY.
Palmer Electric	No		
Stagnitta Electric	Yes	\$158,375.00	The proposal satisfies RFP requirements. Expensive without additional value.
Pompo Electric	Yes	\$139,608.00	The proposal satisfies RFP requirements. Expensive without additional value.

RESOLVED, that Northland Communications for annex wiring and MDF project for SANY Conference Building in the amount of \$103,286 is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

1. *SAS academic presentation:* SAS-K-12 academic data was presented by the school deans and provided their plan to move the students to higher performance levels.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

December 2022	Total Enrollment	t ELL		L Sp		Poverty	FRL Rate	
Syracuse Academy of Science	986	50 5%		87 9%		793	80.43%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	572	36	6%	72	13%	473	82.69%	
Utica Academy of Science	875	100	11%	54	6%	692	79.09%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	152	7	5%	19	13%	121	79.61%	
SANY District	2585	193	7%	232	9%	2079	80.43%	

Demographics

				Black or						
		Total			African					
December 2022 Target	%	Enrollment	Male	Female	American	White	Asian			

Syracuse Academy of Science	975	101.13%	986	455	46%	531	54%	681	69%	233	24%	43	4%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	95.33%	572	280	49%	292	51%	428	75%	88	15%	39	7%
Utica Academy of Science	858	101.98%	875	416	48%	459	52%	327	37%	350	40%	142	16%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	88.89%	152	78	51%	74	49%	135	88%	13	9%	2	1%
SANY District	2604	93.43%	2433	1151	47%	1282	53%	1436	59%	671	28%	224	9%

SAS

 Wednesday, December 14th, 2022: It's beginning to look a lot like snow! Syracuse Academy of Science Kindergarteners must have predicted this snowstorm because they have been working in class to create a background for a penguin! It's also the perfect activity to practice letters and lines. These atoms are learning that drawing snowflakes can be simple! An X and a plus sign combine to make a snowflake. Add the letter V on the end to dress it up!

2. Tuesday, December 13th, 2022: A, B, C, easy as 1, 2, 3. SAS Elementary third-grade Atoms participated in a Spelling Bee! Scholars practiced hard for weeks to narrow the grade down to 22 spellers. After four rounds, we were down to one winner! Words like "bottom" and "sole" provided spelling challenges for our third-graders, but they never gave up! Congratulations to the winners, the participants, and the third-grade for working so hard on their spelling!

3. Tuesday, December 13th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school's second-grade representatives had breakfast with SANY Superintendent Dr. Hayali. Scholars enjoyed fluffy waffles and discussed why they were chosen to represent their class. It was such an honor for these atoms to enjoy a special breakfast with our Superintendent!

4. Monday, December 12th, 2022: Reggie Kelley from Rise Above Poverty came to Syracuse Academy of Science middle school and graciously donated toiletries such as deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, and socks. Rise Above Poverty is a donation-based non-profit organization that helps provide students in Syracuse with necessities. Thank you for your generous donations to our Atoms and to all the families you have and will continue to help.

5. Thursday, December 8th, 2022: It's day four of College and Career Week, and Syracuse Academy of Science had a special guest stop by our school. Syracuse Mayor, Ben Walsh, visited our first graders. Mayor Walsh explained the election process, how it's his job to keep the community safe, and what he does every day! He also told the students all about his family, his two daughters, and their dog. Atoms were very excited to welcome Mayor Walsh into their class and were eager to learn more about him! Scholars asked the mayor some great questions. Thank you, Mayor Walsh, for joining us today!

6. Thursday, December 8th, 2022: In Mrs. Georgiadis's second-grade intervention groups, students have been working on reading accurately and fluently. Atoms worked hard to practice a play called "Duck Gets Lost." They met their goal through hard work and repeated practice. They even made masks and performed the play! Great job, atoms! The world is your stage!

7. Wednesday, December 7th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school celebrated the character trait of Citizenship in November. To be a good citizen, you must do your best to improve your school, community, and country. Students of the Month receive a dress-down pass and get to wear a Student of the Month button around school all day. Everyone that sees them gets to congratulate them for being good citizens! Great job, Atoms!

8. Tuesday, December 6th, 2022: It was College and Career Week at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school. Mrs. Bloss's 2B class had a parent speak to them about being a Maternity Registrar at Crouse Hospital. Ms. Shannon told second-grade Atoms about writing birth certificates and other legal documents, about babies being born in hospitals, and about the different jobs one can hold in a hospital. She also read a book to the class. Thanks so much for joining us for College and Career Week, Ms. Shannon!

9. Tuesday, December 6th, 2022: Ms. Cahalan's 'Kind Kiddos' Lunch Bunch group continues to be creative in spreading kindness around their school. This month they decided to paint rocks and write positive affirmations or encouraging words on them. They placed these rocks in front of the school building for all staff and students to read as they enter the doors. Thank you for continuing to spread the positive vibes, Kind Kiddos!

10. Tuesday, December 6th, 2022: It's College & Career week at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school. Parent volunteers will be coming into classrooms to talk about their careers and what they do in the community. Our third graders had two parent volunteers to start the week. One parent is a truck driver, and the other works for National Grid. Mr. Contreras told students how he travels from city to city and all across the state, bringing just about everything we have in our house to food in the store! Mrs. Contreras talked about how electricity works in your home and how it's her job to turn the power back on when it goes out during a storm. Thank you, Mr. & Mrs. Contreras for taking the time to come and speak to our students! It's important for them to know about every opportunity they will have after they graduate.

11. Saturday, December 3rd, 2022: One of our second-grade Atoms was featured in "The BIG SHOW!" at Syracuse University. The BIG SHOW! is the overall display of art-filled

education completed during the Saturday Art Workshops for Young People at SU. During this year's session, students visited the SU art museum twice, learned new techniques, and had their artwork displayed at the end of the program. This Atom's classroom teachers and art teacher came out to support her and see her spectacular work! Way to go!

12. Friday, December 2nd, 2022: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse is grieving a tragic loss. On Tuesday, November 22nd, Nezamiyah White unexpectedly passed away in a house fire. Nezamiyah was a sweet student who always had a smile on her face. Her smile was infectious and she radiated positivity wherever she went. Nezamiyah worked hard in school, earning many awards throughout her time at Citizenship. She was a great friend to all and a leader in her class. One of Nezamiyah's passions was gymnastics. At recess it was a guarantee Nezamiyah would be practicing her tumbling and cartwheels with her friends. She wanted to be a gymnastics coach when she grew up. Nezamiyah enjoyed reading and adored art. We can't begin to imagine the pain her family is experiencing with this tragic loss. Please join us for a spaghetti dinner fundraiser to benefit the family of Nezamiyah White on Saturday, December 17th at the Syracuse Academy of Science high school cafeteria. Stop by anytime from 5 to 9 pm for dine in or take out. Dinners are \$10 each and all proceeds will go to Nezamiyah's family. Thank you for coming together to help out as a community. We are many atoms, one family.

13. Friday, December 2nd, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school teacher Ms. Cahalan hosts a girls' group that meets on Fridays at the end of the day. The girls talk about skills they can use to resolve social conflict healthily while having fun building with legos. The meetings are a positive experience for our Atoms and Ms. Cahalan!

14. Wednesday, November 30th, 2022: As part of our Culturally Responsive Teachings, throughout November, Syracuse Academy of Science elementary Atoms worked on a family project: Family Traditions. Every family has unique traditions held near and dear to their hearts. They are part of what makes each family special and unique. Families were encouraged to talk about beloved traditions within their homes. Following this conversation, we asked families to help their students draw and write out the four steps of a family tradition to share with our community. Family traditions ranged from holiday traditions, birthdays, family vacations, and the first day of school rituals. We loved getting a glimpse into our students' families and home lives. Stay tuned for December's family project!

15. Wednesday, November 30th, 2022: Fourth Graders at Syracuse Academy of Science learned all about Central New York's history during a field trip to the Onondaga Historical Association. Atoms received a guided tour of the museum and watched a sound and light show, all while learning about important historical events like Syracuse's role in the underground railroad. The museum displayed important artifacts from history for the students to see. They even got to listen to music from a record player! Thank you to the OHA for hosting us. It was a very informative trip for our students.

16. Wednesday, November 30th, 2022: Do you have a favorite family recipe? Maybe it's your grandma's gooey chocolate chip cookies or your mom's chicken noodle soup. 5th, 6th, and 7th graders are cooking up something exciting at Syracuse Academy of Science middle school! Atoms shared their family's favorite recipes and maybe even some secret recipes with our Student Council members, who created a book to share with everyone. Atoms can purchase

Recipe Books for \$5 (cash only). Students can buy them in homeroom or by seeing Ms. Chapman.

17. Tuesday, November 22nd, 2022: 7th-grade middle school students exercised their presentation and teamwork skills with the What's in the Room "sales pitch." Students were given 20 minutes to choose an item in the room and brainstorm how to sell it to the judges (AKA Mrs. Nickless, Mr. Jan, and Ms. Obrist). Then they had to create a flier including the name of the product, logo/slogan, how much they were selling the item for, and where they could sell it. Students wowed the judges with colorful fliers, website designs, and even a commercial!

18. Saturday, November 20th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science is proud to announce that 25 student artworks were selected for display during the 74th annual New York State Art Teachers Association Conference. Our school was represented alongside 26 others from across New York State. The theme this year was "A Change in Climate."

19. Friday, November 18th, 2022: "There was an Old Lady who swallowed a Turkey! I don't know why she swallowed a turkey, but she's always been quirky!" On November 18th, SAS elementary school's 3-A class enjoyed a read-aloud by the Dean of Elementary, Mrs. Miller. Mrs. Miller delighted the third graders with the story "There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Turkey." Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school Atoms always love having Mrs. Miller join their class to read to them!

20. Thursday & Friday, November 17th-18th, 2022: 6th and 7th-grade students combined science with entertainment at WonderWorks inside Destiny USA. With more than 100 unique exhibits and activities, students got hands-on experience making HUGE bubbles, feeling the power of hurricane-force winds, and entering into astronaut training. Students also had a blast with laser tag and braving the multi-level ropes course.

21. Thursday, November 17th, 2022: Second graders at Syracuse Academy of Science had a guest speaker from OCRRA teach them how recycling works in Onondaga county. Atoms watched a short video on how recyclables are separated, then showed examples of items to recycle or throw away. It's important to teach children about sustainability. It's a skill they will keep with them for the rest of their lives.

22. Wednesday, November 16th, 2022: The middle school robotics team is gearing up for this year's Vex IQ competitions. With a foundation built on solid problem-solving and collaboration, teams work together to build a robot that will collect discs and then "shoot" or push them into a goal. The VEX IQ Competition is presented by the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation. It provides elementary and middle school students with exciting, openended robotics challenges that enhance their STEM skills. We are very proud of the SAS middle school robotics team.

23. Wednesday, November 16th, 2022: Our curriculum focuses on getting students into college, an important part of which is college visits. The Syracuse Academy of Science high school band visited Ithaca College. They rehearsed in a clinic with the director of bands, Dr.

Rochford, ate in the cafeteria, toured the campus, had an admissions information session, and observed a wind ensemble rehearsal. They learned a lot about music, band, and college while having a great time.

24. Tuesday, November 15th, 2022: Third-grade student representatives enjoyed breakfast with Superintendent Dr. Hayali. Students and Dr. Hayali chatted about what they want to be when they grow up, what they would change in their school, and how to be a good team member and part of our community. Congratulations to these special students, and thank you to Dr. Hayali for spending the morning with them!

25. Tuesday, November 15th, 2022: Fifth, sixth, and seventh grade students from Syracuse Academy of Science middle school had an opportunity to have lunch with SANY superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali. Students discussed college and career plans for their future, and offered suggestions on how to improve our school! It was a positive and welcoming conversation.

26. Tuesday, November 15th, 2022: Atoms in Syracuse Academy of Science 1C class went on a field trip to Little Ray's Nature Center. Tucked inside Destiny USA, it's a hidden gem that you can almost miss if you aren't looking! Our students had a wonderful time learning about different animals and species. They were even brave enough to touch a crested gecko, a ferret, and a turtle!

27. Saturday, November 12th, 2022: Mr. Yaman and Mr. Stowe took their Congressional Award students to the windy city over Veterans Day weekend as per their Expedition/ Exploration requirements in the program. They visited the Chicago Science Museum, Millennium Park to see the giant Chicago Bean (Cloud Gate), walked along the Chicago River and Magnificient Mile, and experienced the city life of Chicago. As always, the trip was a positive way for our Congressional Award students to experience the culture of a different city.

28. Wednesday, November 9th, 2022: "A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies... The man who never reads lives only once." Families from Syracuse Academy of Science came out to enjoy literacy night! Students and their families participated in carnival-themed reading and writing activities, including bowling pins, ring toss, concession stand writing, circus animal matching, and more. We also had community members, including Empower FCU, Syracuse Fire Department, Help Me Grow Onondaga, Betts Branch Public Library, and Syracuse Police Department, along with information from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. We love partnering with our community to build even stronger readers! Thank you to all who came out to support our Literacy Night event!

29. Tuesday, November 8th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary students in Ms. Peryea's second-grade class are learning about Ancient Greece, which includes one of Athens' most significant contributions: democracy! After reviewing their lesson, students created campaign posters to run for "mayor" of the classroom. Students had to come up with compelling reasons their classmates may want to vote for them. This activity aligned perfectly with Election Day! Great work showing democracy in action, second graders!

30. Friday, November 4th, 2022: We've all heard the saying "hard work pays off." Head soccer coach, Mr. Bility, couldn't agree more. Since August, when Syracuse Academy of Science finally got its own soccer field, he knew it was time to get to work. The team had been anxiously waiting to step on that field since Covid-19 started. Fast forward to 2022, the SAS Atoms were able to compete in their first official season as a school team. The season had many ups and downs, but the team competed and fought in every game until the last whistle. Even coaches from other schools saw this hard work in our student-athletes and wanted to recognize them.

Four of our student-athletes were nominated by Coach Bility and other coaches to the OHSL top players of the season. Congratulations to the following recipients:

Jamal Abdirahman: First Team All Patriots League Taha Hayali: First Team All Patriots League Ismael Colon Arencibia: Second Team All Patriots League Sharif Hussein: Second Team All Patriots League

We also had two honorable mentions that we have to recognize as well: Nischal Kharel and William Capra.

Congratulations on a stellar season, Atoms.

31. Friday, November 4th, 2022: A small act of kindness goes a long way! Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary Students in Ms. Cahalan's "Kind Kiddos" social-emotional learning Lunch Bunch group passed out roses to teachers as their weekly act of kindness. These students spent the last two weeks brainstorming various acts of kindness that they can lead throughout the school year to create an overall positive school climate. They decided to start by giving "A beautiful rose to a beautiful teacher." Stay tuned for more Lunch Bunch posts as Ms. Cahalan works to bring students together each day during lunch!

CSA Syracuse

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2. Thursday, December 1st, 2022: Citizenship Middle School hosted its first Awards Ceremony of the year. Students were recognized for their academic achievements in the first marking period. Awards included Merit Roll, Honor Roll, On a Roll, Most Improved, and a 7th grade Social Studies award. Teachers also recognized scholars for the November character trait of the month; gratitude. These scholars are thankful for what they have and show gratefulness daily. Congratulations to all! Keep up the great work, atoms!

3. Monday, November 21st, 2022: Otto the orange stopped in to congratulate Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse atoms on completing Otto's fall reading kickoff! The challenge was for students to read with their teachers, friends, or families for just a few minutes every day! Otto knows how important reading is, and he was so happy to hear that our classes took on the challenge! Otto was greeted with lots of hugs, high fives, and even a dance party!

4. Wednesday, November 16th, 2022: It was a RUFF morning for Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse fifth graders! The classroom had some four-legged visitors from Helping Hounds Dog Rescue! Volunteers visited the class to talk about the importance of adoption, volunteering, and how to care for dogs. And, of course, the dogs made their way around the room to get pets from the students too! Atoms asked some great questions and were very happy to get puppy kisses! Thank you, Helping Hounds, for visiting us!

5. Friday, September 16, 2022: Imagine being able to stay in your pajamas after waking up in the morning. Well, some lucky atoms got to do just that! 4th Graders at Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse participated in our school-wide event, "Pancakes and Pajamas!" Students decorated paper pancakes to express who they are grateful for in their lives. It was a cozy day filled with fun and gratitude!

UAS

- Wednesday, December 14th, 2022: The Utica City FC Soccer Team visited Utica Academy Elementary School and had some amazing moments with our scholars. Professional soccer players put on a show with some special tricks that amazed students. They also organized games that included our students. It was such a blast for everyone! Thank you for visiting us!
- 2. Wednesday, December 7th, 2022: Congratulations to the Utica Academy of Science girls' basketball team for their win against the Cincinnatus Lions! It was a close game, and it came down to a last-second win with a final score of 39-36.

3. Tuesday, November 29th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Elementary School held the student of the month assembly. These assemblies are held each month to award atoms who were selected as the student of the month for each grade. The Dojo winner is also honored by earning the highest points for outstanding performance for the month. Congratulations to our November students of the month! Thank you for being role models to your classmates.

4. Monday, November 28th, 2022: "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go," Dr. Seuss. Utica Academy of Science fifth graders went on a field trip to the Utica Public Library. Scholars were able to open library cards

and check out books. The Children's Area has several series we love, including Goosebumps, The Baby-Sitters Club, and Star Wars. We took a tour of the building, learning its history along the way. The trip included a winter-themed craft and snack! Our atoms are excited to keep using their library cards!

5. Tuesday, November 22nd, 2022: Utica Academy of Science junior-senior high school organized a Thanksgiving dinner for teachers and staff. It was so much fun to share a meal with the UAS Family before enjoying some much-needed time off with family. Thanks to all the talented cooks for preparing delicious food for everyone, especially turkey master chef Mr. Mirsen. We are very thankful for our hard-working staff here at SANY. We hope everyone enjoyed Thanksgiving with their families and loved ones.

6. Tuesday, November 22nd, 2022: Our fourth graders went on a field trip to the NY Energy Zone inside the Utica Zoo before they left for Thanksgiving break. The NY Energy Zone gave our scholars an electrifying experience full of interactive exhibits, activities, movies, and videos. Atoms were introduced to the dynamic world of electricity, past, present, and future, and New York State's part in it. Scholars also learned about New York State's exciting electric history, great electric companies, and the important work at NYPA's Frederick R. Clark Energy Control Center nearby in Marcy.

7. Monday, November 21st, 2022: Utica Academy of Science Kindergarten classes had an amazing field trip to the Accelerate Sports complex. Atoms were taught about different types of sports and even saw demonstrations for each of them! Most of our atoms haven't started playing a sport yet, so they were eager to learn something new!

8. Friday, November 18th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science third graders had a blast visiting the Most museum in Syracuse. From the dino zone, to the earth science discovery cave and the science playhouse there was something new to experience in every room! Atoms were able to interact with exhibits that they have been learning about in class. The MOST is always an exciting place to take our atoms!

9. Thursday, November 17th, 2022: Our Elementary school K-2 students of October had a special breakfast with our Superintendent, Dr. Tolga Hayali. These atoms were chosen as students of the month for showing honesty. They had a chance to ask Dr. Hayali questions and talk about anything they may have on their mind. Dr. Hayali was very excited to meet our students and asked about their future goals and ideas to improve our school. It was such a sweet moment. We are so proud of our little scholars!

10. Thursday, November 10th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science is pleased to announce that 11 seniors were accepted to Utica University and received a scholarship of more than \$5,000 per year! Utica University graciously visited UAS junior-senior high school for an instant decision day. Every single student who the admissions officers interviewed was accepted. Congratulations to the following seniors: Nanyelis Rodriguez, Alyssa Hoyos, Jackson Surinach, Ustena Kiuchun, Ajla Hajder, Eldina Omerovic, Aymiah Wynn, Zerina Tricic, Naida Mujkic, Muamer Huseinovic, and Alessa Milozzo. Throw some sunglasses on because your future is bright!

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Choose an item., seconded by Choose an item., to adjourn the meeting at _____ pm. Roll Call: Choose an item.

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date : 1/18/2023

Place : SAS High School

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81198176539?pwd=NIRnMGxMRFVWS1B4ci9UeGhXcTBFdz09

Meeting ID: 811 9817 6539 Passcode: 710717

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.33 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
_	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Absent

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 12/21/2022

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

- III. Agenda for Finance committee
 - 1. Bank accounts reconciliation

- 2. *Review of payments*
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of Updated Budget for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR
- 3. Approval of smartboard purchasing for CSAS MS building.

Discussion

- 1. Internal audit report:
- 2. College guidance presentation
- 3. Strategic board meeting:
- 4. CAS-Syracuse Dean position update and search:
- 5. Applications are on:

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #230118.1

RESOLVED that the hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230118.2

WHEREAS, 2022-2023 school year budgets for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR are provided to reflect the most up-to-date projections.

RESOLVED that updated 2022-23 budgets for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR are hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230118.3

WHEREAS, CSAS MS is expanding and will add new classes with smartboards into the new MS building. SMART Board is the sole provider of the SMART Board brand technology.

RESOLVED that purchasing 10 SMART boards for \$51,740 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. *Internal audit report:* new internal report structure was discussed and January report was presented as an example. Board members asked questions regarding quick ratios and reasons for differences between schools.
- 2. College guidance presentation: College guidance office provided information on college partnerships, college attending students, and dual enrolled students. In addition, first year college attendance and first year college persistence were report based on Clearinghouse data. 25-30% of our students taking at least one college course, and several students are enrolled in dual enrolled classes. Our first year college retention rates are higher than national average, which shows the quality of foundational knowledge provided by our schools.
- 3. *Strategic board meeting:* A strategic planning meeting will be schedule for summer. Structure and planning items were discussed. More will be followed up with board members via email to prepare the meeting.
- 4. *CAS-Syracuse Dean position update and search:* Current dean is changing jobs, and the school opened the position internally for current teachers in all SANY schools. There is a committee looking at applications, a new dean might be selected before the next board meeting.
- 5. *Applications are on:* All schools application portal is open, and the deadline is April 1st to be part of the lottery, all others will be put in waiting list.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

January 2023	Total Enrollment	E	ELL		ed	Poverty	FRL Rate
Syracuse Academy of Science	982		6%	90	9%	789	80.35%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	568	51	9%	72	13%	469	82.57%

Utica Academy of Science	866	95	11%	55	6%	685	79.10%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	152	7	5%	19	13%	121	79.61%
SANY District	2568	208	8%	236	9%	2064	80.37%

Demographics

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January 2023	Target	%	Enrollment	Ma	ale	Fem	ale	Ame	rican	W	nite	As	ian
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	100.72%	982	452	46%	530	54%	677	69%	233	24%	43	4%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	94.67%	568	277	49%	291	51%	424	75%	88	15%	39	7%
Utica Academy of Science	858	100.93%	866	412	48%	454	52%	325	38%	346	40%	139	16%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	88.89%	152	78	51%	74	49%	135	88%	13	9%	2	1%
SANY District	2604	92.78%	2416	1141	47%	1275	53%	1426	59%	667	28%	221	9%

SAS

- Thursday, January 12th, 2023: It's time to shine the light on one of Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School's amazing teachers! Meet Ms. Alonso-Bergevin or Ms. AB to our Atoms! Ms. AB received her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from SUNY Oswego. She loves spending time with her family and is most inspired by her students! Ms. AB is a dedicated art teacher who loves sharing her knowledge and skill set with all students. Thank you, Ms. AB, for being an integral part of our team!
- 2. Monday, January 9th, 2023: Now through January 20th, Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School is leading a donation drive for the non-profit organization "We Rise Above the Streets Recovery Outreach, Inc." This charity has been led by Al-amin Muhammad for over five years and has focused on advocating for homeless/underrepresented populations in Syracuse. The organization helps provide these groups with food, clothing, and basic hygiene items. Every Saturday, Al-amin and his crew of volunteers host a 'Sandwich Saturday' at 10 am in Billings Park, where they hand out food and other necessities to individuals and families struggling to provide for themselves. The charity's main mission is to help break the cycle of homelessness and

crime by showing them how to live to their full potential. We will collect new children and adult winter apparel and travel-sized hygiene products to donate to "We Rise Above the Streets" at the end of the month. If your student brings in three items, they will earn one dress-down pass. We encourage you to make a difference and share the warmth!

- **3.** Monday, January 9th, 2023: Did you know Meditation can help improve student behavior? Mediation has been shown to help with improved memory and concentration, increased confidence and self-esteem, and can even lead to higher grades and test scores. At Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school, one of our 4th-grade Atoms has been working with Social-Emotional Support Specialist Ms. Cahalan to practice some Meditation skills. Recently, that student has begun offering his services to one of our 3rd-grade classes.
- **4.** Wednesday, January 4th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science 2nd graders spent the day at WonderWorks inside Destiny USA. They went on a 4D ride, made gigantic bubbles, dug in an interactive sandbox, and played music on the grand piano. Some atoms were even brave enough to lay on a bed of nails! WonderWorks is the perfect field trip for combining learning and fun; our scholars were lucky enough to experience both!
- 5. Thursday, December 22nd, 2022: It may be January and the start of a brand new year, but we're highlighting our December students of the month at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school. Before going on break, SAS Elementary celebrated December's character trait of Caring/Compassion. Caring is showing kindness and concern for others. Compassion is showing and having that concern for the misfortunes or sufferings of others. Students from each grade were selected for showing December's character trait and celebrated all day. Please join us in congratulating these caring and compassionate Atoms!
- **6.** Thursday, December 22nd, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Middle Schoolers enjoyed the annual 7th-grade ice skating field trip! It was a beautiful day in Clinton Square, with maybe just a couple of falls but lots of smiles and laughter! The perfect way to spend the last day before winter break!
- 7. Thursday, December 22nd, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science middle school celebrated some outstanding atoms at an awards breakfast. Students were honored in the following categories: Academic Atom, Positive Proton, Sportsmanship, and Awesome Artist. Congratulations to these students for your achievements! What a great way to end the week before holiday recess!
- **8.** Wednesday, December 21st, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School's third graders took a Caz Sports Bowl trip and learned about balance, forces, and motion. They had lots of fun and cheered their classmates on all morning. A big thank you to Caz Sports Bowl for hosting our Atoms!

- **9.** Wednesday, December 21st, 2022: WHOOOO had a great time in art class? Syracuse Academy of Science 5th grade atoms did! Art students worked on a mixed media project in class. They used oil pastels, watercolor, and collage techniques to create giant owl eyes and beaks.
- 10. Wednesday, December 21st, 2022: Roll out the red carpet, and shine the spotlight! Something exciting is happening at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school. We're giving you a backstage pass into exclusive behind the scene photos. Stay tuned to find out what we've been working on!
- 11. Tuesday, December 20th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science fourth-graders experienced an exciting morning at Caz Sports Bowl, and don't worry; we'll spare you no details! Students got to bowl a game and utilize their math skills to help keep score. It was the best of both worlds! Atoms also did a great job of showing the month's character trait, compassion, by cheering each other on and urging each other to do their best. Everyone had a great time, and can't wait to go back again!
- 12. Monday, December 19th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science high school students had the chance to show off their artistic talents at the SAS HS Winter Music Concert and Art Show. Students from grades 9th through 12th art courses showcased their printmaking, mixed-media, ink, collage, and 3D art forms. Students even helped curate displays for the exhibition. Voice students who received vocal coaching from Ms. Carlson and guest artists performed solos and duets from diverse genres. Band students played music they workshopped on a visit to Ithaca College earlier in the fall and music by conductor and composer Sean O'Loughlin. Mr. O'Loughlin visited students Friday to regale them with stories from working in the L.A. music industry and inspire them to learn and work hard in music and school. We enjoyed celebrating students' hard work this fall and welcoming the winter season with a reception sponsored by Wegmans following the concert.
- 13. Friday, December 16th, 2022: Band students and several other Syracuse Academy of Science high school atoms had the pleasure of meeting composer Sean O'Loughlin. Sean is the Principal Pops Conductor of the Victoria Symphony and the Principal Pops Conductor of Symphoria in Syracuse. As a conductor, he has worked with the Boston Pops Orchestra, the San Francisco Symphony, the Chicago Symphony, and the Hollywood Bowl Orchestra, to name a few! Sean has also worked with famous musicians like Alicia Keys, Adele, Josh Groban, and Journey. Sean spoke to the students about how the path to becoming a successful composer was not linear and how he had to overcome challenges and setbacks before he got to where he is today. It was a very motivational speech for our atoms, and the band students were happy to meet someone they aspire to be!

- 14. Thursday, December 15th, 2022: Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school Kindergarteners visited the Rosamond Gifford Zoo! They saw penguins, monkeys, and birds and even got to play in the pretend Veterinary Clinic. A big thanks to the Rosamond Gifford Zoo for hosting our scholars!
- **15.** Thursday, December 15th, 2022: Regina Morris from the Onondaga County Department of Emergency Communications 911 Center came to SAS Elementary School to speak to our 4th graders. Regina spoke about what to expect when you call 911, what questions they ask, and why 911 operators have to ask so many questions when someone calls. She also explained the difference between an emergency vs. a non-emergency and how to contact 911 through nonverbal means, the use of interpreter service, or TTY. The Onondaga County Department of Emergency Communications' goal is for citizens of all ages to be well-versed in their role in ensuring an effective and efficient emergency response for themselves and their fellow citizens. We are very grateful for the valuable information that was shared with our 4th-grade atoms!
- 16. Tuesday, December 13th, 2022: What word is always spelled wrong? "Wrong." Get it?! Well, one atom didn't spell any words wrong at Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school's spelling bee! Fourth graders showed off their spelling skills in our evening event. Family and friends were invited to watch our star spellers face off. After many challenging rounds, the fourth Grade Spelling Bee Champion was crowned. Great job to all of our spellers that participated! Everyone is a star!
- **17.** Tuesday, November 29th, 2022: An essential part of our curriculum here at SANY is preparing our students for college. Having the ability to enroll your child in college classes while they are still in high school is a great way to ensure they graduate with college-level credits! College visits are also important. Students enrolled in "ESF in the High School" courses toured the SUNY ESF campus. They got to see the entire campus and meet with admissions representatives. It was a great experience for prospective students to visit a college campus!

CSA Syracuse

 Thursday, December 15th, 2022: The third-grade class and Citizenship Academy chorus students gave a show-stopping performance during their winter concert! The theme, "Peace & Resilience," couldn't have been more spot on, and our young musicians performed beautifully. The drummers did a great job keeping the beat. Everyone deserves a standing ovation!

UAS

1. Monday, December 19th, 2022: "The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear!" The young musicians at the Utica Academy of Science elementary school showed off their musical skills at the Winter Concert. Singing, dancing, drumming, and playing instruments are just a few talents that these scholars showed their audience. The

school and community came together to help make this a fantastic experience for the students and their families!

2. Thursday, December 15th, 2022: Utica Academy of Science elementary students had a magical time with Santa and his elves. People First, formerly the Municipal Housing Authority from Utica, visited our school to surprise students with Santa. Atoms had a great time dancing, hugging, giving high fives, and taking pictures with Santa! We thank People First for putting such big smiles on our students' faces.

CSA Rochester

- Tuesday, December 20th, 2022: "You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax; all you need is a book!" One of our second-grade scholars, Avery Cole, showed our Kindergarteners just how much magic they can find in a book by reading to them. You're never too young to experience the joy of reading. We are so proud of Avery for showing leadership and mentorship while helping with our effort to promote reading practice and fluency in our kindergarten classes.
- **2.** Monday, December 19th, 2022: Before the Holiday break, atoms in KC learned about 3D shapes like cubes, spheres, cylinders, and cones. Students got to put this knowledge to great use by creating 3D shapes out of playdough. Hands-on activities like this are essential, and we love incorporating learning and fun here at SANY!

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed, to adjourn the meeting at 7.30 pm. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 2/15/2023

Place : SAS High School

Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87539213733?pwd=cU5nUlpuYINNYloxOWEvM1g4N0todz09

Meeting ID: 811 9817 6539 Passcode: 710717

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.35 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 1/18/2023

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

1. Bank accounts reconciliation

- 2. *Review of payments*
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of Smartboard purchases for CSAS.
- 3. Approval of Emergency Repair for gym floor after flooding
- 4. Approval of USAC services for 2023-2024
- 5. Approval of interim dean for UAS high school and dean for CSAS elementary school.

Discussion

1. New student applications

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Lindsay Cray to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #230215.1

RESOLVED that the hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230215.2

WHEREAS, CSAS is purchasing 10 new Smartboards and mounting equipment for their new school at 7053 Buckley Road from Tequipment in the amount of \$51,740. Smartboard brand products are used in all SANY schools, and are the sole provider of the product.

RESOLVED that the purchasing of the new Smartboards for UAS, along with all mounting equipment in the total amount of \$51,740 from Tequipment is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230215.3

WHEREAS, Emergency Repair for the flooding damage at the CSAS ES was completed by the original installer to the gym floor and the insurance claim was submitted after the incident. The insurance denied the claim and the school make the payment to the company while the case was pending. Wayfare Sports floor is the original installer of the floors.

RESOLVED that payment for the emergency repair for the damage of the CSAS ES Gym floor to the Wayfare Sports Floors in the amount of \$27,785 is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230215.4

WHEREAS, Internet and communication services for SAS, UAS and CSAS for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year was requested under the USAC program.

Syracuse Academy of Science Charter School E-Rate Funding Year 2023 Category-One Bid Evaluation Matrix							
FACTOR	POINTS AVAILABLE	Spectrum	Verizon	NC			
Price of the eligible products and services	50	50	50	40			
Prior experience	20	0	0	20			
Personnel qualifications	10	10	10	10			
Ineligible cost factors	10	5	5	10			
Local vendor	10	10	10	10			
TOTAL	100	75	75	90			

Syracuse Academy of Science and Citizenship Charter School E-Rate Funding Year 2023 Category-One Bid Evaluation Matrix							
FACTOR	POINTS AVAILABLE	Spectrum	Verizon	NC			
Price of the eligible products and services	50	50	50	40			
Prior experience	20	0	0	20			
Personnel qualifications	10	10	10	10			
Ineligible cost factors	10	5	5	10			
Local vendor	10	10	10	10			
TOTAL	100	75	75	90			

Utica Academy of Science Charter School Cat 1 E-Rate Funding Year 2023 Form 470 Application Number: 230006380. 47023-UACS							
Factor	Points Available	NC	Spectrum				
Price of the eligible products and services	50	40	45				
Prior experience with the vendor	25	25	0				
Prices for ineligible services, products, and fees	15	15	15				
Local or in-state vendor	10	10	10				
TOTAL	100	90	70				

There were three bidders:

Northland: All schools total \$306,067 (SA:\$206K, CSA:\$66K, UAS: \$33K) Spectrum: All schools total \$320,148 (SA:\$215K, CSA:\$70K, UAS: \$35K) Verizon: Only Syracuse Schools total \$275,121 (SA:226K CSA:\$50K, UAS: did not bid)

Since our infrastructure requires all schools to be serviced from central location by vendor, Verizon's bid is not eligible. Regardless, Northland gave the lowest bidding pricing plus theirs does not have any other conditions which may increase the price, since the current system is owned by them.

The school prefers to work with Northland, which is the lowest price and services to all schools, and the school is happy with their existing services.

RESOLVED, that USAC services for 36 months starting July 2023 from Northland Communications is approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230215.5

WHEREAS, the UAS high school dean has resigned to relocate, we have appointed Mr. Bektas as interim dean until the hiring process is finalized. Additionally, the CSAS elementary school dean has also stepped down after accepting another job offer. Consequently, we have concluded the hiring process and appointed Mrs. Ward as the new dean.

RESOLVED that assignment of Mr. Bektas as an interim dean at UAS high school and Mrs. Ward as dean at CSAS elementary school is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

1. *New student applications:* Number of applications per each grade for each school are discussed. All are on track however, CSAS is lagging. Options to increase number of applications, especially within ELL and free/reduced lunch population was discussed.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

February 2023	Total Enrollment	ELL		Sp	ed	Poverty	FRL Rate
Syracuse Academy of Science	978	54	6%	89	9%	784	80.16%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	570	51	9%	72	13%	468	82.11%
Utica Academy of Science	862	94	11%	54	6%	682	79.12%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	151	7	5%	19	13%	120	79.47%
SANY District	2561	206	8%	234	9%	2054	80.20%

Demographics

			Total		_			Blac Afri	can				
February 2023	Target	%	Enrollment	Ma	ale	Fem	ale	Amei	rican	W	nite	As	ian
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	100.31%	978	449	46%	529	54%	675	69%	232	24%	43	4%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	95.00%	570	277	49%	293	51%	425	75%	89	16%	39	7%
Utica Academy of Science	858	100.47%	862	411	48%	451	52%	323	37%	345	40%	138	16%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	88.30%	151	78	52%	73	48%	134	88%	13	9%	2	1%
SANY District	2604	92.55%	2410	1137	47%	1273	53%	1423	59%	666	28%	220	9%

SAS

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- 2. Nothing's gonna hold you back from applying to the Science Academies of New York! We're rolling out the red carpet to welcome new families to our schools. If you want a challenging and beneficial atmosphere with small class sizes to promote an intimate teacher-student dynamic, look no further than SANY. Our STEM-based curriculum is centered around college preparation to ensure your child is ready to further their education and career after graduation. The best part is tuition is free! So what are you waiting for. Apply now and grow with SANY. □<u>http://apply.sany.org</u> <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G0Yxu4--Wrw</u>
- **3.** Tuesday, February 7th, 2023: It doesn't HAVE to be a snowman! Each month, Syracuse Academy of Science elementary sends home projects for students to complete with their families. The projects are voluntary but encouraged so we can all glimpse each student's family culture, traditions, and stories. We had some fun with January's project! Families were tasked with taking an ordinary snowman outline and turning it into something else. Take a look at the "Disguise a Snowman" family project. Thank you to all the families that participated!
- **4.** Monday, February 6th, 2023: In honor of National School Counseling Week, we're recognizing all of our wonderful school counselors. They play a vital role in our student's lives in and out of the classroom! Thank you for all you continue to do for our students and their families. If you see a school counselor this week, make sure to thank them for their service.
- **5.** Wednesday, February 1st, 2023: On your mark, get set, go! The Syracuse Academy of Science indoor track team raced to the top in a League Meet. The girl's team came in 6th place, and the boy's team got 4th place!

Please congratulate our student-athletes for these individual accomplishments:

Amir Taylor: 1st Place in 55 Hurdles 1st Place & New PR in Triple Jump Entered Top 50 in New York State for Triple Jump

Andre McClain: 2nd place & new PR in 55 Hurdles Zion Rivera: 2nd in Weigh Throwing (Setting a New PR)

The following student-athletes won sectionals and will be participating in the State Qualifiers on February 15th at OCC at 4:30pm.

Amir Taylor: First place in Triple Jump, 1st Place in 55 hurdle Jahmarion Clarke: 1st Place in the 55m dash

The SAS Boys Track Team finished the season, tied for 3rd place overall. Congratulations to our two Section 3 Champions; Amir Taylor, Jahmarion Clarke, and coach Terry. Good luck at State Qualifiers!

- **6.** Tuesday, January 31st, 2023: It was Kindergarten's turn to roll on to Caz Sports Bowl and Strike up some fun! Syracuse Academy of Science kindergarteners, teachers, and even some parents had a blast learning about forces and motion and just getting out of the classroom for some fun. Thanks, Caz Sports Bowl, for hosting us again!
- **7.** Friday, January 27th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science third graders had a fun-filled day at wonderworks. They experienced hurricane wind stimulation, played mind games, rode a virtual roller coaster, and even laid on a bed of nails (ouch!). The students worked hard the last couple of weeks learning how to tell time and all about Vikings. So, this was a well-deserved "break" to enjoy each other's company!
- **8.** Tuesday, January 24th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science Atoms are feeling yellow but never mellow. Atoms ditched their uniform tops for their favorite yellow shirt to celebrate the second day of National School Choice Week! Thank you for choosing SANY!
- **9.** Monday, January 23rd, 2023: Families have the great opportunity and responsibility to make a sound educational choice for their child, whether in a public school, public charter school like SAS, private school, or even homeschooling. Here at Syracuse Academy of Science, we recognize that great responsibility and are humbled that you and your families have decided for your child to attend our school. National School Choice Week is about just that: choice, and we thank you for choosing SAS as what is hopefully the best educational opportunity for your child! All week, SAS elementary school will celebrate the choice that our families have made!
- **10.** Friday, January 20th, 2023: You are what you eat, and here at SANY, we believe it's important to teach children how to make healthy choices. Ms. Tammy from Chartwells shared nutrition education with Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school 3rd Graders. Ms. Tammy taught the 3rd graders how different foods could affect their mood. 3rd graders then got to make delicious Banana Split Parfaits. The students had a great time. SAS Elementary and Chartwells are excited to be able to bring these nutrition education sessions to our scholars again!
- **11.** Friday, January 20th, 2023: Throughout January, SAS Elementary has been collecting donations of coats, hats, gloves, and travel-sized toiletries to donate to We Rise Above the Streets Community Outreach. K-4 Atoms and their families showed how much they care with a strong turnout for donations. We are so grateful to be part of such an amazing and generous community of staff, students, parents, friends, and families. Great job sharing the warmth, Atoms!
- **12.** January 18-20th, 2023: Snakes and hedgehogs and ferrets... oh my! Second-grade classes at Syracuse Academy of Science spent the day at Little Ray's Nature Centre. #SASAtoms got a tour where they were introduced to several animals, learned about their habitats,

and even touched a few! Students also got to watch a demonstration featuring snakes and tortoises. Atoms were even brave enough to touch a snake! Overall, it was an excellent experience for students to learn about animals and nature outside the classroom!

- **13.** Tuesday, January 17th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science elementary school's 1A Class was so fortunate to have SANY Superintendent, Dr. Hayali, visit! We discussed what a Superintendent does and why his job is so important. He also took the time to answer all kinds of questions, and our atoms learned all about him! Dr. Hayali left them with a special message to always remember: You are amazing!
- 14. Tuesday, January 17th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science is accepting new students for next school year! If you're interested in enrolling your child, open houses will be taking place at the elementary school on Thursday, January 26th, from 4-5 PM, Saturday, February 4th, from 10-11:30 AM, Saturday, March 11th from 10-11:30 AM, and Thursday, March 23rd from 4-5 PM. Families are encouraged to arrive at the start time to view an informational presentation before joining us on a guided school tour. Students are welcome and encouraged to attend! Please note this is only for families that are new to SAS. Families need only select one open house to attend. We hope to see you there!
- **15.** Saturday, January 14th, 2023: Over the weekend, congressional awards students visited Philadelphia, PA, our first capital city! The group was blessed with excellent weather, and our students had a chance to learn more about their country's history by visiting the Independence National Historical Park, the Liberty Bell, and the President's House Site! Most of our students didn't know that Philadelphia served as our nation's capital until 1800, when the federal government moved to its permanent home in Washington, DC. After visiting Independence Park, they walked around Downtown Philadelphia, visited China Town and had lunch at Philadelphia Reading Terminal Market, where they had a chance to choose from a variety of food vendors! Finally, atoms visited the Philadelphia Museum of Art, where the popular stairs from the movie "Rocky" are. Overall, it was a beautiful, educational, and enjoyable trip for everyone!
- **16.** Monday, January 6th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science 4th graders are making food sculptures out of toilet paper! The artists added color, details, and decorations to their masterpieces. Sculpture teaches students to think beyond the flat 2nd dimension and bring real-life problem-solving into their artwork. Sculpting also aids in developing observational skills. Students will learn how to watch the world in full detail. They will be more considerate in looking at each part of an object. Besides learning sculpture, scholars will learn to picture the world more realistically.

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- **3.** Saturday, January 28th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse is accepting new students for next school year! If you're interested in enrolling your child, open houses will be taking place at the elementary school on Saturday, January 28th, from 9 to 10 AM, Saturday, February 4th, from 9 to 10 AM, Thursday, February 23rd, from 10 AM to 1 PM, and Saturday, March 4th from 9 to 10 AM. Families are encouraged to arrive at the start time to view an informational presentation before joining us on a guided school tour. Students are welcome and encouraged to attend! Please note this is only for families that are new to CSAS. Families need only select one open house to attend. We hope to see you there!
- **4.** Tuesday, January 24th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse celebrated National School Choice Week all week. The second day of the celebration was pajama day! Students wore their PJs and cuddled up in their classrooms while discussing character strengths. Thanks for loving your school, Atoms!
- 5. Sunday, January 22nd, 2023: National School Choice Week is January 22–28th. We will celebrate our students, parents, teachers, and staff at Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse during the official celebration next week. National School Choice Week (NSCW) informs, inspires, and empowers parents to discover the K-12 education options available for their children while generating widespread public awareness of the importance of school choice.

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- **4.** Saturday, January 28th, 2023: Junior-senior high school Utica Academy of Science Atoms participated in the Micron Robotics Challenge. This year's challenge prompt was "Combat the effects of climate change." Teams needed to be made up of at least four students, and individual schools were limited to 3 teams maximum. Teams had to design, build, and test a prototype device that addressed the challenge prompt and met certain specifications to be eligible for awards. Judges evaluated projects in a science-fair style judging session on three metrics: technical proficiency, design creativity/process, and student comprehension of STEM concepts.
- **5.** Friday, January 27th, 2023: It was a big day for Utica Academy of Science Atoms! Thanks to the efforts of so many, Ms. Thayer's 6th graders started a new chapter as the first class/grade ever to sign out books and use the library! Students were excited about this opportunity and grateful for much-needed independent reading time.
- **6.** Thursday, January 26th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science fourth graders took a gutterly perfect trip! Atoms went to AMF Pin-O-Rama lanes in Utica. Our scholars had a great time bowling while learning the importance of teamwork to achieve their goals!
- **7.** Thursday, January 26th, 2023: It's time to celebrate the December and January students of the month! Utica Academy of Science K-2 students were recognized for having the highest dojo points in their class. Students of the month were recognized for the December character trait, responsibility, and for the January trait, acceptance. Congratulations to all our Dojo's and students of the month! We love celebrating YOU.
- **8.** Thursday, January 26th, 2023: Congratulations to the Utica Academy of Science Varsity Volleyball team on their win against the Herkimer Magicians! These players and coaches rose to the occasion against all odds and came home with the W! Thank you for supporting UAS Athletics!
- **9.** Friday, January 20th, 2023: 2nd Grade Atoms took a field trip to Accelerate Sports in Whitesboro. Scholars went through a series of stations playing soccer, basketball, and kickball and even convinced the teachers to play kickball! Afterward, students were surprised with another series of stations playing dodgeball, relay races, and using a giant parachute to play games. The scholars were energetic all day and had a wonderful time exercising!

10. Friday, January 13th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science junior-senior high school staff and faculty had State Trooper and School and Community Outreach Coordinator (SCOCs) Brian Derochie provide Active Shooter and Lockdown Training. New York State helped set the benchmark for school safety. As part of the comprehensive strategy, each region has SCOCs. The state trooper website describes SCOCs as: "maintain a statewide presence and present to schools, community and business groups on a variety of topics. The SCOCs are well versed in the intricacies of school safety and security, crime prevention and deterrence, and effective crisis response." Trooper Derochie had a chance to provide updates regarding events and new methods and answer questions from UASCS staff about school safety. It was a very productive event and a part of the effort for SANY to set up a benchmark concerning school safety and security.

CSA Rochester

- 1. Do you want to find out how we build success one atom at a time? Or how we create an environment that allows your child to shine with the individuality they deserve? Or that we focus on college curriculum from the minute your child walks through our doors? If you're looking for a diverse, intimate, challenging, and exciting school for your child, look no further than the Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools. We genuinely believe in our motto, "Many Atoms, One Family," and we strive to give your child the best learning environment possible while making them feel part of our family. We want every student to walk through our doors and feel at home, like they belong. And the best part? It's tuition free. Find out how we are building success one atom at a time, and enroll your child now. The Science Academies of New York Charter Schools is accepting applications for the 2023-24 school year. Apply here: http://apply.csarochester.org All applications are due by April 1st, 2023. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j3WRUOBZv_E
- **2.** Monday, February 6th, 2023: In honor of National School Counseling Week, we're recognizing all of our wonderful school counselors. They play a vital role in our student's lives in and out of the classroom! Thank you for all you continue to do for our students and their families. If you see a school counselor this week, make sure to thank them for their service.
- **3.** Tuesday, January 17th, 2023: We might have some future engineers on our hands! Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester STEM Club students put their engineering and problem-solving skills to the test. Atoms were given 20 minutes to design a boat out of Legos that could float on water without sinking. After the time was up, each boat was tested on the water! STEM club provides an authentic learning experience that integrates science, technology, engineering, and mathematics using a real-world application of problem-solving and develops critical thinking skills.
- **4.** Tuesday, January 17th, 2023: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr had a dream that everyone could be friends. In honor of MLK Day, students watched videos and read a story about the life and legacy of Dr. King. Atoms learned the importance of kindness and friendship through the famous "I Have A Dream Speech." They also had the opportunity to write and draw about the meaning of friendship and how they can be a good friend to their peers.

5. Monday, December 19th, 2022: Before the Holiday break, atoms in KC learned about 3D shapes like cubes, spheres, cylinders, and cones. Students got to put this knowledge to great use by creating 3D shapes out of playdough. Hands-on activities like this are essential, and we love incorporating learning and fun here at SANY!

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal, to adjourn the meeting at 8 pm. **Roll Call:** Choose an item.

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 3/15/2023 **Place :** SAS High School

Zoom Link:

Tolga Hayali is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SANY BoT Meeting - March 2023 Time: Mar 15, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88251103986?pwd=b2twbGNVdEIwcTZLc1JBZHU0TS9KUT09

Meeting ID: 882 5110 3986 Passcode: 090897

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.40 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Present
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 2/15/2023

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. *Review of payments*
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of District Office video/audio project
- 3. Approval of ENL preference weight for 2023 lottery
- 4. Approval of IT will have a proposal for Cat 2 Services for SAS and CSAS.
- 5. Approval of Utica Camera Purchase
- 6. Approval of opening Pathfinder CD account

Discussion

- 1. Dean presentations
- 2. Student Applications
- 3. Internal Audit Report

Motion by Coskun Cetinkaya, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Murat Baysal to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #230315.1

RESOLVED that the hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Samantha Turnquest

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230315.2

WHEREAS, the new district office annex building needs state-of-the-art audio-visual systems with required electrical work. This project includes 1st floor with two large digital displays, three projectors with motorized screens, speakers, microphones, and floor outlets in each meeting area. Both wired and wireless presentation capabilities will be installed in each meeting area. It also includes two 2nd-floor meeting rooms with large displays, microphones, and floor outlets in each room.

Vendors Invited to Submit a Proposal	Vendor's Response to the Proposal Request	Proposal Amount
Visual Technologies	Responded w/Proposal	\$171,176.00
PowerComm Electric	Responded w/Proposal	\$184,206.00
Presentation Concepts	Declined to Participate	_
Francis Audio Visual	Declined to Participate	

RESOLVED, that installation of audio-visual systems with required electrical work for SANY DO Conference Center by Visual Technologies is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230315.3

WHEREAS, the lottery will be held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 for SAS and CAS schools and on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 for UAS schools. We need to define the ENL preference weight. In order to enroll as many ENL students as possible, SANY is suggesting to use 4 as the ENL preference weight.

RESOLVED, that defining the ENL preference weight as 4 for 2023-2024 school year is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Jawwaad Rasheed Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230315.4

WHEREAS, the IT Department assesses that CSAS Middle School, SAS Elementary, and

SAS Middle Schools network equipment are due for an update during the 2023-24 school year. SANY plans to use 2023 E-rate grants for both schools and update the wired and wireless network equipment by the beginning of the 2024-25 school year. E-rate funding allocation for SAS is \$148,025, and for CSAS is \$100,200. Proposed updates include network switches, firewalls, and wireless access points.

FACTOR	POINTS AVAILABLE	CDW	CoreBTS		
Price of the eligible products and services	50	45	50		
Prior experience	20	10	20		
Personnel qualifications	10	5	10		
Ineligible cost factors	10	0	10		
Local vendor	10	0	0		
TOTAL	100	60	90		
Proposal Amount		\$203,884.98	\$200,900.34		

Two proposals have been received for SAS.

One proposal has been received for CSAS.

FACTOR	POINTS AVAILABLE	CoreBTS
Price of the eligible products and services	50	Sole Bid
Prior experience	20	
Personnel qualifications	10	
Ineligible cost factors	10	
Local vendor	10	
TOTAL	100	
Proposal Amount		\$125,528.15

RESOLVED, SAS and CSAS Network Equipment update projects from CoreBTS are hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Coskun Cetinkaya Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230315.5

WHEREAS, Utica Schools in need of additional cameras throughout the campus and replace some old units before the end of 2022-23 school year with expansion grant allocation. The units are identified by the school IT Manager and it will be purchased from a M/WBE company per the grant requirement from the NYS. Therefore, we have only one quote for the product.

30 AXIS M3088-V 8MP Mini Dome Network Cameras - \$12,767.70 10 AXIS Q1786-LE 4 Megapixel Network Cameras - \$14,539.10

RESOLVED, that purchasing 30 AXIS M3088-V 8MP Mini Dome Network Cameras and 10 AXIS Q1786-LE 4 Megapixel Network Camera from CS Business Systems in the amount \$27,306.8 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230315.6

Whereas, SANY would like to utilize a higher rate of return for the fund in its savings account. SANY currently utilizes a money market account and would like to move into a CD account. Currently, terms are up to a year, the CD can be a term anywhere from 30-days up to 1 year and the Annual Percentage Yield is 4.50%

Resolved that opening a CD account with 4.50% from Pathfinder with 30-days term for \$6million (from money market account to this account) is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: All in favor but abstained by Jodi DeAugustine

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. *Dean Presentations:* All deans made academic data presentations on their STAR test results and projections for the year.
- 2. *Student Applications:* Number of applications as of today were shared for each school and change in marketing efforts were discussed to increase the applications for Citizenship school.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

February 2023	Total Enrollment	E	ELL		ed	Poverty	FRL Rate
Syracuse Academy of Science	973	54	54 6%		9%	779	80.06%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	574	51	9%	72 13%		470	81.88%
Utica Academy of Science	857	94	11%	54	6%	677	79.00%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	148	7	5%	18	12%	117	79.05%
SANY District	2552	206	8%	232	9%	2043	80.05%

0 1			Total		Black or African								
February 2023	Target	%	Enrollment	Ma	ale	Fem	nale	Ame	rican	W	hite	As	ian
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	99.79%	973	446	46%	527	54%	672	69%	230	24%	43	4%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	95.67%	574	280	49%	294	51%	428	75%	89	16%	39	7%
Utica Academy of Science	858	99.88%	857	409	48%	448	52%	319	37%	344	40%	138	16%
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	86.55%	148	75	51%	73	49%	131	88%	13	9%	2	1%
SANY District	2604	92.32%	2404	1135	47%	1269	53%	1419	59%	663	28%	220	9%

Demographics

SAS

- Wednesday, March 8th, 2023: "Dream with ambition, lead with conviction, and see yourself in a way that others might not see you simply because they've never seen it before. And we will applaud you every step of the way," Vice President Kamala Harris. We thank the strong women at Syracuse Academy of Science who contribute their time, talent, and dedication to educating and inspiring our students. Thank you for everything you do today and every day.
- 2. Sunday, March 5th, 2023: The Syracuse Academy of Science robotics team competed in the FTC MVCC Excelsior Championship. With Mr. Zengin's direction, robotics team members won three out of five matches before moving on to the semi-finals and finals. One team from our alliance and Inspire award winner advanced to the next level! Please congratulate the following robotics members: Andre McClain, Migual Mathis, Jenell Virgilio, Adriana Crowder, Theodore Simon, Samara Hurtado, Aamiran Ridha, Yakina Sika Amoah, and Arna Boatema Amoah. And as always, thanks to Ms. Hahn and Mr. Kovar for their help! Keep up the great work.
- **3.** Saturday, February 18th, 2023: The Syracuse Academy of Science Robotics Club attended the FTC Fishkill Qualifying tournament with two teams and thirteen students. The New Wave team won four out of five matches, moved to the semi-finals, finished the tournament as one of the fourth alliances, and received second place in the best design award. The SAS ATOMS FTC robotics team competed successfully and won the THINK award. The Think award is based entirely on the Engineering portfolio, which

includes the journey of the robot, sketches, math and physics algorithms, robot design, and the game strategy. A huge thanks to Mr. Kovar and Ms. Hahn for their hard work! Please congratulate the following students for their hard work in the competition. New Wave: Samara Hurtado, Aracelli Goodyear, Elda Goodyear, Lester Gonzales, Mickayla Pagan, Quatice Williams, and Arna Boatema Amoah SAS Atoms: Andre McClain, Migual Mathis, Jenell Virgilio, Yakina Sika Amoah, Adriana Crowder, and Theodore Simon Good luck at the Regional Championship on Sunday, March 5th!

- 4. Monday, February 13th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science has been working with Upstate Medical University for two years to develop a medical pathway for our students. Through the program called UMU @ SANY, our Syracuse Academy of Science high school students have been able to meet with future doctors and medical professionals. After months of these meetings and solving case studies, #SASAtoms finally visited Upstate Medical University! Participants in this program will not have to take the MCAT if they attend UMU.
- **5.** Friday, February 10th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science high school is paying it forward in a time of tragedy. Atoms organized a fundraiser for earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria. They raised a total of \$1123, which will all be used to support the families and victims affected by this devastation.
- 6. Friday, February 10th, 2023: Time to shine the spotlight on another fabulous staff member at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary! This is Mrs. Georgiadis-Greenwald's eighth year working for SANY. She loves working with students to help them achieve their reading goals and see the "lightbulb" moments for her kiddos. She holds several roles at SANY, including Reading Specialist, Intervention Coordinator, and Academic Coach. Mrs. Georgiadis-Greenwald graduated from SUNY Oswego. Her family inspires her. She says they have helped her become who she is and motivated her to be the best person to make them proud. Thank you for all that you do, Mrs. Georgiadis-Greenwald!
- 7. Wednesday, February 8th, 2023: Colonel Thomas Carello from the Civil Air Patrol, Mary Wood, Charles Garland, and Abdul Shakir from the Onondaga County chapter of the Rotary Club spoke with our 6th and 7th-grade students about Civil Air Patrol. Syracuse Academy of Science Atoms learned about the opportunity to experience the flight simulator at Hancock airport and how to obtain their private pilot's license by age 16! Our Atoms were very engaged in the conversation and asked insightful questions. The program Colonel Carello talked about starts at age 12 and is free to any of our students who wish to participate. If you would like more information, don't hesitate to contact the main office.
- 8. Thursday, February 2nd, 2023: Let's kick off winter recess with a student spotlight! Seventh-grade student Jayda James became the 7th-grade social studies teacher and taught a lesson to her classmates on how power is divided in the United States government. Jayda was able to hold her classmate's attention as she walked them through the role of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches. This lesson was our

student's first step into becoming involved and informed citizens! Great job leading the lesson, Jayda!

CSA Syracuse

- 1. Wednesday, March 8th, 2023: "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent," Elanor Roosevelt. We thank the strong women at the Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse who contribute their time, talent, and dedication to educating and inspiring our students. Thank you for everything you do today and every day.
- 2. Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Middle School held its first-ever Black History Month Celebration. Some 6th-grade students were chosen to present their projects during the celebration. The dance club also performed. Thank you to everyone that came out to show their support for this important cause!
- **3.** Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Find your overalls, fanny packs, and beanie babies... Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Atoms are throwing it back to the '90s! Students were very creative with their 1990s fashion and accessories!
- **4.** Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse middle school Atoms were recognized for their second-quarter achievements. Awards included: Honor Roll, Merit Roll, Most Improved, On a Roll, and the January Character trait of the month Self Discipline. Congratulations to these outstanding scholars!!
- 5. Wednesday, February 15th, 2023: During Black History Month, Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse 2nd-grade Atoms in Mrs. Conroy & Mr. Palerino's class did a project on Jackie Robinson. Atoms read books about Jackie Robinson and then wrote what they learned about this famous baseball player. The students were interested in hearing how he broke the color barrier in baseball and stood up for equal rights before he started playing baseball. It was a very informative lesson for our scholars!
- 6. Wednesday, February 15th, 2023: Congratulations to the Citizenship Academy's Girl's modified basketball team on their first win in program history! Coach Martin has done an amazing job leading the team! The environment at the game was electrifying, and it felt like a college atmosphere, with our Pom-Dance team led by Coach Youker and Coach Fagan cheering and performing at halftime. Thank you for your continued support of our growing program!
- 7. Thursday, February 9th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse continues our 28 Speakers event with Nyaasia Jones. Ms. Jones is an educator at Southside Academy Charter School. She spoke with first-grade students in Ms. Cutrone's class. She read them two books about teaching children to dream big. The books were about important African American leaders. You'll find heroes, role models, and people who did great things in both books. The students were very engaged and excited to share what they have been learning about Black History with her! Thank you, Ms. Jones, for spending time with our 1st-grade Atoms!

- 8. Thursday, February 9th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse is celebrating Black History Month! In the music room, students are learning about black history through songs and stories celebrating black joy! Each grade level has a different focus. In Kindergarten, students are hearing stories about black musical artists like John Coltrane. Atoms in 2nd and 3rd grade are practicing a song written by Franklin Willis that was inspired by Martin Luther King JR's "I Have a Dream" speech. In 4th and 5th grade, students are learning about freedom songs and writing their own medley.
- **9.** Monday, February 6th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse elementary school is once again kicking off Black History Month with the annual 28 speakers event. The goal is for students to meet influential figures in our community and build meaningful relationships with them. We were honored to have Nikki R. Jones speak with Ms. Sullivan's 5th-grade class. Nikki talked about her profession as a Communication Strategist. She then had students do an exercise to think about what they want to be in the future. She had them imagine what they would wear, say, and how they would feel in their chosen career. Nikki R. Jones shared with students that it is important to feel good about their work. Atoms were very engaged and explained their career goals to her. Thank you, Nikki R. Jones, for taking time out of your schedule to speak with our Atoms!
- **10.** Monday, January 23rd, 2023: The Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse's Girl's Modified Basketball team had their 2nd game. They are learning the game's rules and improving their teamwork daily! We couldn't be more proud of the growth they continue to show. After all, teamwork makes the dream work!

UAS

- 1. Wednesday, March 8th, 2023: "My mother told me to be a lady. And for her, that meant be your own person, be independent"- Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Happy International Women's Day! Utica Academy of Science Elementary School proudly celebrates the amazing women who make a difference in our school community. We want to express our appreciation to all the female teachers and staff who contribute their time, talent, and dedication to educating and inspiring our students. To show our gratitude, we gave them chocolates and flowers as a token of our admiration. Thank you for all that you do!
- 2. Thursday, February 23rd, 2023: Thank you to everyone who attended our Open House event! We are thrilled to have met so many wonderful families and students. We hope you enjoyed your visit and learned more about our innovative approach to education, STEM programs, extracurricular activities, and supportive community. For those who couldn't make it, don't worry! You can still schedule a tour and learn more about our school. Our admissions team is always available to answer any questions and help you with enrollment. Another open house is coming up on March 11th from 10 AM to 1 PM. Thank you again for your interest in Utica Academy of Science Charter School. We can't wait to welcome you to our community!
- **3.** Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science 4th & 5th graders gave their first band performance! At the beginning of the year, students chose an instrument, and

they have been working hard for the last five months receiving small group lessons and attending rehearsals after school. Learning how to not only play an instrument but also teaches responsibility, self-confidence, and cooperation. Atoms showcased their musical journey by playing full-group songs and each section separately. Family and friends were invited to attend the performance and enjoy a special breakfast with their musical scholars afterward. This is the first Utica Academy of Science Band in history. It consists of about 70 students playing flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone, and percussion. We are very thankful for the supportive school and home environments allowing our students to gain confidence and independence through music instruction. Congratulations on a fantastic performance!

- 4. Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science junior-senior high school hosted a Black History Month Celebration. The program was rich with culture and motivation. Thank you, Mr. Bryant and Hamilton College Professor Dr. Woods. His orchestra did a fantastic job soothing our souls with Smooth Jazz. Ms. Jordan gave a very inspirational speech. Ms. Guzman and Mr. D organized another successful art show displaying our students' talents. The UAS Dance team performed another debut under the guidance of Ms. Putrello. Mr. Brown's upbeat performance well orchestrated the program. Special thanks to Ms. Medina and Ms. Safeta for the poster boards and beautifully decorating the gym. Thank you, Ms. Guzman, for making the BHM stickers and organizing other important program details. Mr. Oz and his staff provided a professional IT setup. And Ms. Williams, thank you for the delicious cornbread. And last but not least, Atoms said a final farewell to our founding Dean Mr. Ersoy who is leaving us after seven years at SANY. Thank you for everything you've done for our school. We are Many Atoms One Family.
- **5.** Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Do you have what it takes to be an Atom? Come to one of our open houses at Utica Academy of science elementary school and find out! Please note these are only for families that are new to Utica Academy. You only need to attend one. We look forward to meeting you! Find out how you can become part of many atoms, one family at SANY.
- 6. Wednesday, February 15th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science elementary school students and staff celebrated the 100th day of school! Atoms had a blast imagining what it would be like to be 100 years old! From walkers to canes, gray wigs to spectacles, everyone brought their A-game to make this celebration memorable. Seeing our students and staff's creativity and enthusiasm was amazing, and we couldn't be more proud of their efforts! We hope this day will be a reminder of how far we've come and how much we've accomplished this school year. Let's keep up the hard work and dedication as we continue to learn and grow together.
- 7. Tuesday, February 14th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science 4th graders had the opportunity to get out of the classroom and break the everyday routine by taking a field trip to the movies! Atoms saw "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish." Not only was the trip a fun experience, but it also helped scholars develop social skills by learning how to interact with peers and engage in group activities. These skills are important for building strong relationships and working collaboratively in the future.

- 8. Tuesday, February 14th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science first graders had a special treat on Valentine's Day. Atoms got out of the classroom and saw the movie Lightyear at the Little Falls theater. Scholars snacked on popcorn and juice while they watched the film. They had a wonderful time looking for light sources in the movie related to their science lesson, Light and Sound!
- **9.** Thursday, February 9th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science kindergarteners traveled to Syracuse and visited the Museum of Science & Technology! Atoms enjoyed learning about the world around them by digging for fossils in the sand, learning how the brain works, and exploring the play area. Everybody had a great time and would love to visit again!
- **10.** Thursday, February 9th, 2023: Introducing the Utica Atoms Soccer Club! The club finished its first session with 55 students enrolled. Going into the second session, we have over 120 students registered! The students participated in various activities, including skill and character development and gameplay experience. Men's Varsity Soccer Coach Tyler Merriam leads Utica Atoms Soccer Club with the help of program coaches Mohammed Abuzamak and Camil Hamza. The Varsity Soccer team athletes also get involved by providing mentorships for the younger students coming through to help enhance the sense of community within our program! This program is just the beginning of what we intend to offer to our Utica Atoms soccer students!!
- **11.** Monday, February 6th, 2023: Who says gingerbread houses are just for the holidays? After Christmas break, Utica Academy of Science kindergartners in Ms. Woodruff's class celebrated by creating their own gingerbread houses! The children had a great time. Thank you to all the parents that donated supplies and their time!
- **12.** Tuesday, January 31st, 2023: Third-grade Utica Academy of Science students took a field trip to UNO Pizzeria and Grill, where they practiced restaurant etiquette! Atoms were excited to have lunch with their classmates in a restaurant. We also got a tour of the kitchen and made homemade pizzas! We topped off the day with a delicious dessert and a restaurant etiquette activity. We were so grateful for this opportunity and hope to be back soon!

CSA Rochester

- 1. Wednesday, March 8th, 2023: "Think like a queen. A queen is not afraid to fail. Failure is another stepping-stone to greatness," Oprah. We thank the strong women at Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester who contribute their time, talent, and dedication to educating and inspiring our students. Thank you for everything you do today and every day.
- 2. Want to know why CSAR Atoms are dancing with joy? They want everyone to know that Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester is accepting new students for the 2023-24 school year! CSARCS provides high-quality STEM and environmental-based education for students. Centered around college prep, our small class sizes provide an

intimate learning environment where each student can thrive in their success. Be part of the Science Academies of New York's newest charter school and grow with SANY! <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPEAkbDeyiI</u>

3. Thursday, February 23rd, 2023: Do you have what it takes to be an atom? Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester elementary school is accepting new students for the 2023-24 school year! Come to one of our open houses and learn how we can help you grow with SANY! Please note these are only for new families. You only need to attend one date.

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III. Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adjourn the meeting at 8.07 pm. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

 Date
 4/19/2023

 Place
 UAS High School

Zoom Link:

Topic: SANY BoT Meeting - April 2023 Time: Apr 19, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89950364712?pwd=TThEM012R01WOUNKaFUwYU5kbEZCUT09

Meeting ID: 899 5036 4712 Passcode: 371825

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.40 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
_	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 3/15/2023

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. Review of payments
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of Instructional Materials for the 2023-2024 School Year.
- 3. Approval of VR Purchase for SASHS
- 4. Approval of Classroom Computers for UASHS
- 5. Approval of Updated Budget for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR
- 6. Approval of Updated SANY Payscales for 2023-2024 School Year

Discussion

- 1. Dean Presentations
- 2. Student Applications/Lottery Results
- 3. SAS recycling electronics
- 4. Internal Audit Report

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Samantha Turnquest to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

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VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #230419.1

RESOLVED that the hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230419.2

WHEREAS, we are ordering our current instructional materials from our curriculum providers for the 2023-2024 school year.

Vend: Curr:	Curriculum Associates Ready books	Amplify ELA and Science	IXL Online Practice Site	
SAS	\$36,027.97	\$41,862.17		
CSAS	\$39,050.98	\$54,658.31	\$21,450.00	
UAS	\$30,036.79	\$38,792.93		
CSAR	\$16,696.00	\$39,084.85		

Total \$317,660.00

RESOLVED, that the purchase of instructional materials for \$ 317,660 from vendors for the listed materials above is hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230419.3

WHEREAS, In 2021, Syracuse Academy of Science developed a health science pathway for students. This pathway allows for students, from disadvantaged neighborhoods to engage in ongoing partnerships with local hospitals to explore health careers. Allowing students to discover human and plant cells through VR technology, will strengthen their understanding in foundational biology science courses. This will in turn, create higher achievement in core academic courses that lead to health science careers. Funding is awarded from Baxter International to SASHS in the amount of \$25,000.

Vendors	Avantis	STEMfinity	ARVR Education
DESCRIPTION	ClassVR Premium-64 Set of 30 ClassVR Set of 8 Cubes Eduverse School 3 Year Software bundle for your school for 3 years, providing over 2000 curriculum resources and tools, including: ClassVR Portal, Expeditions	ClassVR Premium Set of 30 / ClassVR Set Cubes/ Software	ClassVR Premium Set of 30 / ClassVR Set Cubes/ Software
Price	\$20,507	\$20,825	\$21,350

RESOLVED, THAT SAS will purchase VR Sets from Avantis in the amount of \$20,507 is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230419.4

WHEREAS, Utica Schools in need of new classroom computers throughout the campus and replace some old units before the end of 2022-2023 school year with expansion grant allocation. The units are identified by the school IT Manager and it will be purchased from a M/WBE company per the grant requirement from the NYS. Therefore, we have only one quote for the product.

RESOLVED, that purchasing 30 Lenovo ThinkCentre Tiny-In-One 24 Gen 4 and 30 TC M90q Tiny Gen 3 from CS Business Systems in the amount \$39,990 is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Samantha Turnquest **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230419.5

WHEREAS, 2022-2023 school year budgets for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR are updated to reflect the most up-to-date projections.

RESOLVED that updated 2022-23 budgets for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR are hereby approved.

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230419.6

WHEREAS, SANY would like to propose updated pay scales for the district employees in 2023-2024 academic year. SANY consider to provide comparable salaries around the districts and along with the change on the inflation rate to stay compatible in order to retain the existing and hire new staff members.

RESOLVED that updated SANY instructional and non-instructional payscales for 2023-2024 are hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- 1. *Dean Presentations:* Utica Elementary School dean made an academic presentation and answered questions from board.
- 2. *Student Applications/Lottery Results:* SAS, CSAS, UAS, CSAR lotteries were conducted. We had enough students to fill the available seats and the school is reaching out to parents to finalize their registration.
- 3. *SAS recycling electronics:* Old, outdated, broken electronics (chrome books, smartboards etc) will be recycled.
- 4. *Internal Audit Report:* KFI was reviewed with the new format and auditors report was reviewed.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

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SAS

- 1. Tuesday, April 11th, 2023: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) members have teamed up with The H. Lee White Maritime Museum in Oswego to create The Proposed Lake Ontario National Marine Sanctuary. This proposal would protect the underwater world and preserve the historical shipwrecks and aircraft beneath the surface. This partnership creates opportunities for educating our communities and youth. NOAA and The Oswego Maritime Museum members visited Syracuse Academy of Science High School together. Students participated in a workshop to learn STEM career opportunities through NOAA, discover the proposed Sanctuary at Lake Ontario, and use the design and engineering process to create their own Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV.) Students spent two hours of the workshop designing and building an ROV, which concluded with testing their ROV for Neutral Buoyancy. In May, students will visit the shores of Lake Ontario to test their ROVs in a friendly competition. If mother nature cooperates, we're hoping for a boat ride on the Great Lake to the Lake Ontario Lighthouse.
- 2. Tuesday, April 11th, 2023: Congressman Brandon Williams visited Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School after 2nd graders wrote two letters to his office inviting him to speak to our students. We were honored that he chose to accept our offer! The Congressman not only spent some time reading to Atoms, but he also told them about why he chose a job in the government and how his desire to make changes to our country and serve the citizens was his driving force. He told us that he hasn't been part of the government for very long, only about 100 days, and shared what he did for a living before entering the government. Congressman Williams was in the Navy and spent most of his time on a submarine off the coast of San Francisco. He shared details with students about how long he was on the submarine, what he ate, how large it was, and how the submarine could descend and then return to the water's surface. Students could also ask questions about the hardest and best parts of his job as a Congressman! SANY Superintendent Dr. Hayali took the Congressman and his wife on a tour of our school. What a wonderful experience for our 2nd-grade Atoms! Thank you, Congressman Williams!

- **3.** Monday, April 3rd, 2023: Happy Spring Recess! This is a friendly reminder that Syracuse Academy of Science will be closed from Monday, April 3rd, through Friday, April 7th, for Spring Recess. We look forward to welcoming Atoms back on Monday, April 10th. Enjoy the time off!
- 4. Saturday, April 1st, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School Science Fair winners had the opportunity to participate in the MOST's CNY Science & Engineering Fair hosted at Le Moyne College! Atoms saw projects from students of all ages across Syracuse and presented their projects to the judges. We are very proud of how hard they worked to prepare and how well they represented our school at the fair! Congratulations Atoms!
- 5. Wednesday, March 29th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School collected canned and dry foods to donate to St. Lucy's Food Pantry in March. St. Lucy's goal is for people in need to come to their food pantry and have the same selections they would be able to at the grocery store. Families and #SASAtoms showed generosity by bringing food items ranging from mac n cheese to canned fruits and vegetables to their favorite cereals! Atoms received a dress-down pass for participating, but the whole school felt the magic of giving to those in need. Great job paying it forward, Atoms.
- 6. Wednesday, March 29th, 2023: The Yavuz family joined Syracuse Academy of Science second graders in Ms. Peryea's class to teach them about Ramadan, the holy month in Islam. Ramadan is observed from March 22nd through April 20th by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting, prayer, reflection, and community. The family shared some of the traditions they have in their house to celebrate Ramadan and the purpose behind them. Their son Mahir read "It's Ramadan, Curious George " and answered questions from the class. Mrs. Yavuz prepared a beautiful lantern craft for students to complete. They also gave students a Ramadan coloring activity as a parting gift! We love to learn about other cultures and traditions, and we appreciate our student's family sharing their time with us!
- 7. Wednesday, March 29th, 2023: The Syracuse Academy of Science High School Robotics team visited Citizenship & Science Academy Charter School to promote robotics, engineering, and STEM events in our community. Team members demonstrated their robot atom and discussed building, designing, and programming a robot. At the end of the presentation, 6th and 7th graders had the chance to drive the robot! We hope the Robotics Team's outreach sessions were very informative to the 43 students who attended!
- 8. Thursday, March 23rd, 2023: Ian Mortimer, the President of the Golisano Institute in Rochester, visited Syracuse Academy of Science high school. The Golisano Institute is a nonprofit that offers a non-traditional alternative to college for high school graduates looking to enter the business world. The two-year certificate program will focus on business and entrepreneurship. The school will help decrease the cost of attending a traditional business school. Students will be charged \$8,900 a year with scholarships available. It's an excellent alternative for students looking to land a career in business or start their own company. Thank you, Ian, for your time.

- **9.** Friday, March 17, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science 7th graders kicked it over to The Ultimate Goal in Marcellus. Atoms had a great time participating in team-building activities and games. It was a great field trip, and scholars had fun playing on the green field on the green day (St. Patrick's Day!)
- **10.** Monday, March 10th, 2023: We would like to give a huge shoutout to William Wristley for donating a 3D printer and equipment to Syracuse Academy of Science High School. We are so grateful for your generosity and can't wait to utilize this with our robotics program!
- **11.** Friday, March 10th, 2023: Ms. Negron and Ms. Goyer's Kindergarten B class had a morning visit from the Science Academies of New York Superintendent Dr. Hayali. Dr. Hayali read the book "Skin Like Mine" by Latashia M. Perry to the students and discussed how everyone is different, and that's ok. It's important to love yourself for who you are. Dr. Hayali talked about his background, where he is from, and what he does as the superintendent of our school district. (It's more than just being a "super cool teacher" that "gives the kids cookies!" as some of our scholars stated!) Kindergarten B did a great job listening, raising their hands, and taking turns talking during the visit. Thank you, Dr. Hayali, for taking the time to read to our Atoms and chat with them!
- **12.** Monday, March 6th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science 7C class channeled their inner artist for a clay project! Students chose either a project posted to their Google classroom or their own design. After problem-solving how they would create their art, they started sculpting with air-dry clay (along with traditional clay techniques such as slip and score, slabs, coils, etc.) to create various 3D art pieces.
- **13.** Friday, March 3rd, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science High School music students traveled to our state's capital. Atoms were honored to perform in the capitol building, visited the SUNY Albany campus and music program, and attended a show before going out to dinner. Students also met with Syracuse Academy of Science alumni Illyn McLaurin and heard about her freshman experience. It was an excellent opportunity for our music students to explore Albany and get a taste of college life just a couple of months before graduation!
- 14. Wednesday, March 1st, 2023: College visits are important to our education at the Science Academies of New York. Syracuse Academy of Science High School students visited Utica University and were given a thorough campus tour, including academic and athletic facilities. Students ate lunch in the dining hall to top off the college experience. After lunch, scholars moved across the Mohawk River to SUNY Polytechnic Institute. After an information session, students experienced an in-depth view of another campus, including their tech and makerspaces.
- **15.** Tuesday, February 28th, 2023: February's character trait was Ambition at Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School. Ambition is to have a strong desire to do or achieve something. An ambitious student sets goals and works hard to meet them. Students of the month are announced on the morning announcements by the Syracuse Academy of Science Dean, Mrs. Miller. Students of the Month are given a special pin to wear and are celebrated by staff and students all day. Congratulations to our Ambitious Atoms!

- **16.** Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science 3rd Graders had the chance to swing over to The Ultimate Goal Family Sport Center in Marcellus for a day of athletic fun and team-building! Atoms played soccer and dodgeball, used the rope swing, and played an intense game of musical chairs. Thanks to Ultimate Goal for hosting all of our classes!
- **17.** Wednesday, February 15th, 2023: STEM Night returned to Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School for the first time in years. One activity had families working together to build a structure to survive an earthquake! Another had atoms and their families trying to build a house of cards. Atoms also had fun making bouncy balls, learning which objects sink or float, and even paper airplanes! Ms. Pat from Bett's Branch Library was here too with an activity where students got to create different buildings from our local Syracuse community. Atoms that participated in STEM night earned a dress-down pass. It was a fun-filled night of science!

CSA Syracuse

- 1. Monday, April 10th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Atoms were welcomed back from Spring Break with an exciting surprise. The school's newest music video will feature Citizenship Elementary Chorus students! Stay tuned to see what the Atom's Family is working on! Also, we would like to give a huge shoutout to music teachers Ms. Meehan and Mr. Hernandez for making this possible!!
- Monday, April 3rd, 2023: Happy Spring Recess! This is a friendly reminder that Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse will be closed from Monday, April 3rd, through Friday, April 7th, for Spring Recess. We look forward to welcoming Atoms back on Monday, April 10th.
- **3.** Wednesday, March 29th, 2023: The Syracuse Academy of Science High School Robotics team visited Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse 6th and 7th graders to promote robotics, engineering, and STEM events in our community. Team members demonstrated their robot atom and discussed building, designing, and programming a robot. At the end of the presentation, Atoms had the chance to drive the robot! We hope the Robotics Team's outreach sessions were very informative to the 43 students who attended!
- 4. Friday, March 24th, 2023: Did you know March is music in our school's month? Citizenship Academy came together for a music-themed spirit week to show how much we love music. Atoms dressed in blue to celebrate Blues music, styled their hair like a Rock Star, represented musical cultures, glamorized themselves for the red carpet, and became Pop Star sensations. Music teachers taught students music from the USA, India, Mexico, Japan, and Africa. Outside of the music room, students wrote about why they love music. We are so happy to have music in our school!
- 5. Thursday, March 9th, 2023: The Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Athletic Department will have a preseason information meeting for the upcoming Lacrosse season on Thursday, March 9th. Coach Romano and our Athletic Director, Mr.McGriff, will give a presentation. Our Lacrosse program is open to all grades at CSAS. The event

will be held from 5:30-6:00 pm at our elementary school on 301 valley drive, Syracuse. Parents should attend the meeting with their student-athlete scholar.

6. Thursday, February 16th, 2023: Find your overalls, fanny packs, and beanie babies... Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Atoms are throwing it back to the '90s! Students were very creative with their 1990s fashion and accessories!

UAS

- 1. Friday, April 7th, 2023: Happy Spring Recess! This is a friendly reminder that Utica Academy of Science will be closed from Friday, April 7th, through Friday, April 14th, for Spring Recess. We look forward to welcoming Atoms back on Monday, April 17h.
- 2. Friday, March 17th, 2023: The American Heart Challenge Basketball Shootout was a slam dunk success at Utica Academy of Science Elementary School! Students put their hearts into it and showed off their impressive basketball skills while raising awareness for heart health. Thank you to everyone who participated and supported this important cause. Let's continue to prioritize heart health and stay active through fun activities like this!
- **3.** Wednesday, March 22nd, 2023: The Utica Academy of Science Junior-Senior High Student Council organized a Spirit Week in February for grades 7-12. In order to participate, students brought in canned and boxed donations. The Student Council collected over 500 goods and donated those items to the Rescue Mission of Utica. The Rescue Mission was so grateful to our students and their families for the generous donation!
- 4. Wednesday, March 14h, 2023: Utica Academy of Science Junior-Senior High School students had a smashing Pi Day, all while raising money for individuals affected by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Atoms purchased a ticket for a "pie" made of shaving cream to smash into a teacher's face! Pi Day at Utica Academy of Science was a huge success, thanks to the staff and students hard work and dedication. By emphasizing the educational value of math and its connection to real-world issues, UAS has demonstrated its commitment to fostering a love of learning and a passion for intellectual curiosity among its students. Here's hoping for an even bigger and better celebration of math's favorite number next year!
- 5. Monday, March 3rd, 2023: We would like to give a huge shoutout and thank you to Utica City FC for donating enough soccer balls so that every member of the Atoms Soccer Club can participate in training. Your generosity is truly appreciated and shows how much you care about developing young talent in our community. We're so grateful for your support!
- **6.** Tuesday, February 14th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science 4th graders had the opportunity to get out of the classroom and break the everyday routine by taking a field trip to the movies! Atoms saw "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish." Not only was the trip a fun experience, but it also helped scholars develop social skills by learning how to

interact with peers and engage in group activities. These skills are important for building strong relationships and working collaboratively in the future.

CSA Rochester

- Monday, April 3rd, 2023: Happy Spring Recess! This is a friendly reminder that Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester will be closed from Monday, April 3rd, through Friday, April 7th, for Spring Recess. We look forward to welcoming Atoms back on Monday, April 10th.
- 2. Friday, March 24th, 2023: 1st and 2nd-grade Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester Atoms took their first field trip of the year to Seneca Park Zoo! In class, the students are learning about habitats and wildlife conversation. Every living thing needs five things to survive in its habitats: Food, Shelter, Water, Air, and Space. Scholars had fun exploring and expanding their learning beyond the classroom walls! Bonding with furry friends was a bonus, too.
- 3. The Science Academies of New York's newest school, Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester, is accepting Kindergarten through 3rd graders for the 2023-24 school year. Come be a part of SANY, where students thrive on STEM-based curriculum, small class sizes, and get a high-quality public school education tuition-free! Apply now at csarochester.org and help us build success one atom at a time. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3noFvXe4SQ

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Samantha Turnquest, to adjourn the meeting at 7.55 pm. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 5/17/2023 **Place :** SAS High School

Zoom Link:

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81766793530?pwd=WThzdUN5R3hFUDFvck9jUTcyajYxUT09

Meeting ID: 817 6679 3530 Passcode: 186181

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.35 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Absent
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Present
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Present
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 4/19/2023

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. Review of payments
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of New and Change Curriculum Orders for SANY
- 3. Approval of Rediker Software Renewal
- 4. Approval of Purchasing Electronic Lockers to CSAS MS
- 5. Approval of Bathroom Remodeling Project for UAS ES
- 6. Approval of District Special Education Coordinator Position

Discussion

- 1. Terra provided a \$120,000 grant to SANY to hire highly qualified teachers.
- 2. 2023-24 School Year Budget
- 3. Utica's State Renewal Visit
- 4. SAS's 20th anniversary

Motion by Jodi DeAugustine, seconded by Lindsay Cray, to adopt the agenda as presented.

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Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230517.2

WHEREAS, SANY will order additional curriculum materials from our curriculum providers for the 2023-2024 school year.

Location	MAY Update
SANY DO	\$6,696.00
CSAS	\$2,100.00
SAS	\$2,875.00
UAS	\$16,669.29
Total	\$28,340.29

RESOLVED, that the purchase of additional Amplify curriculum materials in the amount of \$28,340.29 from Amplify, sole provider of the curriculum is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230517.3

WHEREAS, we will renewing our contract for our student database from Rediker, for the 2023 2024 school year for all our schools. The school has been using the software for three years.

	SAS/UAS/CSAS	CSAR
Rediker Software	\$54,717.50	\$3,439.00

RESOLVED, that the renewal purchase of our student database for \$58,156.50 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230517.4

WHEREAS, currently students are not able to lock up their electronics (phones, airpods, etc.) so they bring them to class which is not allowed. With the lockers for electronics our students will be able to lock their electronics and will not bring them into the classrooms to cause distractions.

Company	Quantity	Quote price
Hertz Furniture	234	\$28,442
School Specialty	234	\$24,051
SchoolLockers.com	234	\$19,493

RESOLVED, that purchasing electronics locker for CSAS MS from Schoollockers.com in the amount of \$19,493 is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230517.5

WHEREAS, in UAS ES will date fixtures in 2 student bathroom and make necessary repairs for the functionality of the bathrooms, update fixtures in 2 staff bathrooms, convert to single use, and make necessary repairs throughout the K-6 section. Only these three companies provided quote eventhough more companies were asked for.

	Scope of Work											
Vendor	Description	Cost	Additional Items	Cost	Total Cost							
Smajic Construction Company LLC	Bathroom updates to	\$19,750.00			\$19,750.00							
Imperial Construction	2 student bathrooms & 2 staff bathrooms	\$22,700.00			\$22,700.00							
C2C Construction Solutions		\$44,730.00	Alternate upcharge for automatic flushometers	\$7,260.00	\$51,990.00							

RESOLVED, that approval of bathroom remodeling project in UAS ES K-6 and working with Smajic Construction Company in the amount of \$19,750 is hereby approved.

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously ► Motion #230517.6

WHEREAS, we see the need to hire a Special Education Coordinator for the purpose of ensuring compliance with established policies, procedures, and/or regulations and to maintain the district's Special Education services and personnel.

RESOLVED, that hiring a Special Education Coordinator is hereby approved.

Motion by Jawwaad Rasheed, seconded by Jodi DeAugustine Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

1. Terra donated SANY 120K grant to hire highly qualified teachers:

- 2. 2023-24 *School Year Budget:* Proposed budget was reviewed for each school in comparison to actuals and this year's budget.
- 3. *Utica's State Renewal Visit:* Charter's office renewal report was discussed, including areas which needs improvement. School's response was also discussed.
- 4. *SAS's* 20th anniversary: Board members were reminded about 20th year anniversary.

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SAS

1. Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023: To kick off the month of May, Syracuse Academy of Science is bringing back another round of senior spotlights! First up is sports fan Julian Mackool. What is one major accomplishment you had in your senior year of high school? Getting College acceptance letters. What are your goals for after high school? To go to college, study communications, and become a sports analyst or Broadcaster. Name one person that inspires you? LeBron James. What advice would you give to the next senior class? To know what you want to do. Where do you see yourself in five years? Working for a sports company or team. If you could have dinner with any person living or dead, who would they be? Stan Lee. Name three traits that describe you? Creative, Enthusiastic, and Open Minded. What is your favorite hobby? Sports or Pop culture. What is a hidden talent that no one or only a few people know about you? I can quote the entire movie of Star Wars: A New Hope. What is your favorite memory of SAS? 7th Grade Gettysburg field trip.

- 2. Friday, April 28th, 2023: R-E-S-P-E-C-T. Find out what it means to me! Believe it or not, April is almost over, but we're throwing it back to Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary Schools March Character Trait of the Month. Atoms found out that Respect means admiring or looking up to someone because that person has done something extraordinary or possesses impressive abilities. Respect is also an act of giving attention or showing you care. Students of the Month were celebrated for exhibiting respectful behavior. Congratulations to our March Students of the Month!
- **3.** Thursday, April 27th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science 4th-grade students were paid a special visit by Assemblywoman Pamela Hunter's office representative Matt Jones. Mr. Jones presented a medal to Destinee, whose work is displayed at the New York State Art Teachers Association 34th Annual Legislative Show. Mr. Jones also told students about Assemblywoman Hunter's job and why she ran for office. Congratulations, Destinee, and thank you, Mr. Jones, for coming to our school!
- 4. Thursday, April 27th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science High School held the annual Dean's List Dinner. Family, friends, and loved one's came to celebrate their Atom's incredible accomplishments. 7 through 12th-grade scholars on the Dean's List were invited to enjoy a meal in the high school gym with their families and teachers before a formal award ceremony. We are so proud of all their hard work and dedication this year. We can't wait to see how our students will continue to give to the SANY motto of building success one Atom at a time. Thank you for supporting and encouraging your student along the way!
- 5. Monday, April 24th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science high school celebrated our hardworking and deserving science fair winners! Students were rewarded with a pizza party in the conference room before a short award ceremony. Students in grades 8th through 11th were awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place based on their preparation (research paper, writing journal, and background research study.) Each grade was also given student choice awards, which their peers analyzed. Congratulations to all the science fair winners! You make us proud!!
- 6. Friday, April 14th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science first graders enjoyed the gorgeous afternoon learning about plants and flowers at Crazy Daisies! Atoms went on a scavenger hunt in the greenhouse, bravely tasted edible flowers, and even potted their own plant to take home! Thank you, Crazy Daisies, for hosting us!
- 7. Thursday, April 13th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science second-grade students spent the day touring and learning about the SUNY Oswego campus. They saw a residence hall and took a trip to the theater, where they did a color-sorting activity learning about how the cones in your eyes absorb colors. Students also saw the miniature Zamboni named "Mini" and watched it shoot out a t-shirt. They had to estimate the distance it traveled and then

measure it (17 meters in case anyone was wondering!) This tour was organized and run by the Education Department at SUNY Oswego, where future teachers could plan their daily activities. It was a wonderful experience for our young Atoms. Not many 2nd graders can say they've toured a college before!

- 8. Tuesday, April 11th, 2023: Shari Merten, the Learning and Engagement Coordinator from the Everson Museum of Art, visited Syracuse Academy of Science Kindergarteners. Shari shared a picture of the museum with students and told them about what a museum is, what kinds of things you can find there, and who works there. Shari also read the book "A Perfectly Messed Up Story" by Patrick McDonnell, which teaches the students that it's ok to make a mess and make mistakes. Thank you to Shari and the Everson Museum for sharing your museum with our students!
- 9. Saturday, April 1st, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science High School students attended the Central New York Science And Engineering Fair. Atoms won several national and international awards and will represent our state at the Science Congress this year. Syracuse Academy of Science and Science Department Chair Dr. Ay were awarded the Peter Plumley Engaged Participation Award for the school whose students submitted the highest number of high-quality science fair projects in any division. All participants received a one-year membership to the MOST. Grace O'Neill & Migual Mathis were chosen to attend the New York State Science Congress on June 11th. Grace, Miguel & Ale'la Gillard were selected for The RIT Genius Olympiad Awards, which recognizes achievement in promoting environmental issues and finding solutions to global environmental problems through scientific research, experimentation, and presentation. The winner will advance to the Genius Olympiad. Andre Mcclain was selected to attend the 19th Annual Symposium on Energy in the 21st Century, "Creating Resiliency for the Future with Cleaner, More Affordable Renewable Energy."

Please congratulate the following students for their outstanding achievements:

Office of Naval Research – Naval Science Award: Grace O'Neill & Migual Mathis

Stockholm Junior Water Prize: Makayla McMullen & Jenell Virgilio

Kathie Almonte Memorial Design Award: Arden Goodyear

ASCE Syracuse Section Awards in Civil Engineering: Zee Harper

Lockheed Martin Awards: Andre Mcclain

SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry Best Environmental Science Project: Grace O'Neill & Migual Mathis Terra Science and Education Award (Given to 10 outstanding STEM projects): Ellery Beck, Micari Jackson & Adrianna Losurdo Grace O'Neill & Migual Mathis

Syracuse Pulp and Paper Foundation at SUNY ESF – \$4,000 Scholarship: Tarik Muhovic & Emad Alomeri

Junior-Honor Medals: Jayda James, Araceli Goodyear, McKenzie Miller, Harmony West & Qua-tice Williams

Junior-High Honor Medals: Abdulmajid Abdirahman, Aguto Jok

Senior-Honor Medals: Kerra Carmichael, Ale'la Gillard Zee Harper Andre Mcclain Yakina Sika-Amoah Makayla McMullen & Jenell Virgilio Grace O'Neill & Migual Mathis

- **10.** Tuesday, March 28th, 2023: Mr. Stowe took Syracuse Academy of Science students to visit D'Youville and Daemen Universities in Buffalo, NY. It was an excellent opportunity for seniors to experience campus life. For the Juniors, it was an eye-opening experience, and some ended up adding an unexpected school to their application list. All got treated to a delicious lunch at D'Youville and saw Daemen's student residence hall. Sadly, Mr. Stowe couldn't get the students to try Tim Hortons. He was informed that most college campuses have Starbucks, which would be more authentic to the experience. See, even Mr. Stowe learned something!
- **11.** Tuesday, March 28th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School held a ceremony in honor of our 4th graders that achieved a level 3 or 4 on last year's ELA and Math state tests as part of Terra Science and Education's Junior Scholars Awards. The Junior Scholars Award is just one of several scholarship opportunities provided to SANY students by Terra. 4th-grade scholars received a \$25 gift card for achieving a 3 or 4 on either the ELA or Math (up to \$50 for a 3 or 4 on both), with another \$25 awarded to students that achieved a four on both! These awards challenge students to do their best and prepare for future high-stakes tests. This year's third graders joined the celebration and cheered on the 4th graders for their incredible achievements while gaining extra motivation to do their best on the upcoming state tests. We are incredibly proud of the effort put forth by all of our 4th graders, and we can't wait to see what the 3rd and 4th grades can do this year!
- **12.** Monday, March 6th, 2023: Black History Month may be officially over, but we're still highlighting a project Syracuse Academy of Science 5th graders worked hard on! ELA students read books and researched change makers to learn more about their impact on our community. They finished the project by overcoming public speaking fears to present to their classmates and a few community members!

CSA Syracuse

- 1. Friday, April 28th, 2023: Spring has sprung in class 1A at Citizenship Academy! Our 1st graders learned the importance of good soil, water, and sunlight to help little seeds grow. Students decorated their own growing cups to add some love to the process. We cannot wait to see what blooms!
- 2. Tuesday, April 18th, 2023: Jason Fingerman visited Mr. Zinger's 5th-grade class to highlight careers in STEM. Mr. Fingerman works for SAAB as a Systems Engineer for Air Traffic Management Safety and Efficiency. He explained how his job is like solving one big puzzle for a living and showed Atoms the "Flight Aware" software he uses. "Flight Aware" is a real-time flight tracking system that Mr. Zinger uses in his classes as part of STEAM lessons. Mr. Fingerman also demonstrated SAAB's Aerobahn product used with commercial airlines to give the attendees a sense of how the big airlines and airports use Aerobahn to help with surface management. Students asked insightful questions and were very interested in learning more. Thank you for your time, Mr. Fingerman!
- **3.** Tuesday, February 28th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse had the owner of Tuft Talk, Tiffany Seals, as a guest speaker to close out our 28 speakers event. Students got hands-on experience making custom rugs while also getting a history lesson about where and how tufting started. Our students' high engagement and enthusiasm made this special event a memorable and meaningful experience for everyone. Thank you, Tiffany, for inspiring our students!

UAS

- Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023: Utica Academy of Science Charter School is pleased to announce we are celebrating ten years of growth and success in the community! We have come a long way from offering grades 6-9 to expanding to K-12. In 2013, under Dr. Tolga Hayali's leadership, the Science Academies of New York (SANY) opened Utica Academy of Science. After two successful years, UAS expanded to a second location on School Lane in Frankfort. In 2018, UAS received a five-year renewal from the New York State Board of Regents. Shortly after, UAS added an elementary school. In 2021, both of our Utica locations combined into one school in Frankfort. Utica Academy of Science is currently awaiting approval for another five-year renewal from the NYS Board of Regents.
- 2. Friday, April 28th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science fourth-grade class traveled to Fort Stanwix, where they became history detectives! They used teamwork and problem-solving skills to solve mysteries and discover facts about the 1777 siege of Fort Stanwix. It was an unforgettable trip for our Atoms!

CSA Rochester

 The Science Academies of New York's newest school, Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester, is accepting Kindergarten through 3rd graders for the 2023-24 school year. Come be a part of SANY, where students thrive on STEM-based curriculum, small class sizes, and get a high-quality public school education tuition-free! Apply now at csarochester.org and help us build success one atom at a time. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N3noFvXe4SQ

II. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address.

Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

III. Motion by Lindsay Cray seconded by Samantha Turnquest to adjourn the meeting at 7.55 pm.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

Science Academies of New York (SANY) Charter Schools

Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting Minutes

Date : 6/22/2023

Place : SANY Conference Center

Zoom Link:

Tolga Hayali is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: SANY BoT Meeting | June 2023 Time: Jun 22, 2023 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82322028678?pwd=V21LQi9qNjZvVGx3elpjcUc4cVV2QT09

Meeting ID: 823 2202 8678 Passcode: 769919

I. The regular meeting was called to order at 6.50 pm. The board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

Open Public Meeting Act Statement

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the New York State Open Meetings Law (OML) and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted on the school website.

Roll Call:

Name	Position	Voting	Attendance
Fehmi Damkaci	President	Yes	Present
Murat Baysal	Vice President	Yes	Present
	Board Secretary		
Coskun Cetinkaya	Treasurer	Yes	Absent
Jawwaad Rasheed	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Lindsay Cray	Trustee	Yes	Present
Jodi DeAugustine	Trustee	Yes	Absent
Samantha Turnquest	Trustee	Yes	Present

Others present at the meeting:

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept the following minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting (Minutes forwarded to Trustees via e-mail.)

Regular Board Meeting of 5/17/2023

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

III. Agenda for Finance committee

- 1. Bank accounts reconciliation
- 2. Review of payments
- 3. Internal audit review

IV. Agenda

- 1. Approval of New Hires for SAS, UAS, CSAS, and CSAR.
- 2. Approval of Bathroom Project for CSAS MS
- 3. Approval of Painting for SASHS
- 4. Approval of 2023-2024 budget
- 5. Approval of board meeting dates for 2023-2024 school year
- 6. Approval of SANY policy book
- 7. Approval of UASES and UASHS deans
- 8. Approval of SAS and UAS Salvage/Recycle Items
- 9. Approval of ESCROW Account for CSAR
- 10. Approval of insurance renewal
- 11. Approval for new positions and pay scales
- 12. Approval of an updated facility service rate for CSAR.
- 13. Approval of New classroom furniture for SAS HS

Discussion

- 1. Utica Additional IT technicians line
- 2. Strategic meeting date
- 3. Utica renewals
- 4. Athletic Pay scale
- 5. Graduation
- 6. Board and Superintendent evaluations
- 7. TCMP report
- 8. New board member. Dr. Halil Zaim

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray, to adopt the agenda as presented. **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

V. Executive Session

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Murat Baysal to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the New York State Open Meeting Law §105, to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

<u>Please Note:</u> The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

VI. Reconvene Public Session

VII. Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Murat Baysal to exit the executive session. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

VIII. ► Motion #230622.1

RESOLVED that the hiring of teachers and staff listed in the attached document is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.2

WHEREAS, the Liverpool Campus of CSAS will be adding additional student bathrooms due to expansion as well as due to bathrooms are not sufficient in the current building structure as the building was being built originally as an elementary school. School conducted bidding process with the help from school architect after the design and planning stage by the school architect, in order to get competitive proposal. Unfortunately, the 5 contractors were not able to provide an estimate within the requested completion time frame as the school need this to be taken care by the school year start in 2023-24. They asked for details of the project but decided to opt out ecause of the schedule of the project. There is only one contractor confirmed that they confirm to finish the project as requested.

RESOLVED, that approval of the CSAS MS bathroom project in the amount of \$115,000 with Smajic Construction is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Samantha Turnquest **Roll Call:** All in favor but abstained by Fehmi Damkaci

► Motion #230622.3

WHEREAS, the SAS HS school will paint the entire gym including ceilings and the walls within the summer of 2023. The school reach out to vendor to request competitive proposal.

	SCOPE OF WORK									
VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL COST								
Syracuse NY Painters	\$									
360 Degree Painting	Paint Gym: Areas Ceiling, including I-Beams, all perimeter walls, doors and frames.	\$ 40,747.73								
Anthis Painting		\$ 23,320.00								

RESOLVED, that SAS HS gym painting project in the amount of \$23,320 from Anthis Painting is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.4

WHEREAS, 2023-2024 school year budgets for SAS, CSAS, UAS and CSAR is prepared to reflect the most up to date plans and projects.

RESOLVED, that 2023-24 budgets for SAS, CSAS, UAS and CSAR are hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.5

WHEREAS, that 2023-24 academic year SANY BoT meeting third Wednesday of each month starting July 19, 2023 at 6.30 pm (September in Rochester, October and April in Utica, and all others in Syracuse), unless it is online by Governor's order, is hereby approved.

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.6

WHEREAS, SANY policy book is adapted for 2023-2022 school year. The web address for policy book is <u>https://sites.google.com/a/sascs.org/policya/</u>.

RESOLVED, that SANY policy book is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Murat Baysal **Roll Call:** Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.7

WHEREAS, that appointment of Liska Savage as UAS-Elementary School dean, existing UAS high school teacher and Yusuf Bektas as UAS-High School dean

RESOLVED, that their appointments as dean to their schools are hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.8

WHEREAS, the following items will no longer be part of the SASCS and UASCS inventory, and will be recycled according to policy.

RESOLVED, that recycling the IT items is hereby approved.

Motion by Lindsay Cray, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.9

WHEREAS, All Board of Regents-authorized charter schools are required to have \$100,000 set aside in dissolution escrow funds in a separate and dedicated bank account to be used only in the event of school closure. 2019 and thereafter, the dissolution escrow amount will be \$100,000. CSAR School needs to maintain an escrow account of no less than \$100,000 within the first 3 years of it's charter. CSAR should set aside 25K for this purpose and now need to add 25K as part of the guidance.

RESOLVED, that opening a new ESCROW account at Pathfinder Bank and deposit 25K is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Samantha Turnquest Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.10

WHEREAS, SANY obtained proposals for general liability and workers' compensation from insurance carriers for 2023-24 school year including General Liability Insurance, and Workers' comp. Policies, Student Accident, Director's and Officers coverage updates are made based on enrollment numbers, business income and, property coverages and policies are requested as provided.

RESOLVED, that approval of renewing existing general liability policies, all other liability insurances and workers' compensation policy through Austin & Co. is hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.11

WHEREAS, SANY will add several new positions as of 2023-24 school year to help the needs of the schools and students throughout the district.

RESOLVED, that adding those new positions along with their pay scales are hereby approved.

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.12

WHEREAS, CSAR has executed a lease agreement (the "Lease Agreement") with Al Sigl for the possession and use of 151 East Henrietta Road, City of Rochester; and NOWTHEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the parties hereto covenant and agree as follows:

 The monthly service fee as described in Section 4 of the Management Services Agreement shall be \$13,382.00 per month effective July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024.
 All other terms and conditions of the Management Services Agreement effective July 18, 2022 shall remain unchanged.

RESOLVED, within the current lease agreement with Al Sigl Community of Agencies at 151 E. Henrietta Rd. in the City of Rochester for \$9.45 per sqf for services (grounds, cleaning, utilities) are hereby approved.

Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

► Motion #230622.13

WHEREAS, the SAS HS will upgrade some of its classroom in order to serve the needs of the students and uplift the learning environment by updating learning spaces throughout the building. The school reach out to a NYS Contract Price provided company to get negotiated prices for the school needs.

RESOLVED, that SAS HS new classroom furniture project is hereby approved in the amount of \$34,940.40 from Just to Right Stuff.

Motion by Samantha Turnquest, seconded by Murat Baysal Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

IX. Discussion Items

- **1.** Utica Additional IT technicians' line: two students were added as helpers, they are alumni of Utica.
- 2. Strategic meeting date: planning to have a daylong meeting for five year planning for all schools. It is planned to be in August.
- 3. Utica renewals: UAS received 4-year renewal instead of 5-year renewal. We also received approvals for expansion of total number of students.
- 4. Graduation: Syracuse graduation was held yesterday and Utica graduation will be held tomorrow at 3 pm at the school.
- 5. Board and Superintendent evaluations: Board members were sent links to complete the evaluations. Also, please complete financial disclosure and conflict of interest policies sent to your emails.
- 6. TCMP report: Mr Duz shared number of teachers who are currently in the program (18) and number of teachers who completed (16) and exited before completing (2) since its inception. It cost around \$670K
- 7. New Board member: Dr Halil Zaim: I have obtained my Bachelor's degree in Economics from Istanbul University. I have also completed my Master's and Ph.D. education in Labor Economics from the same university. I became an associate professor in 2009 and full professor in 2014. My primary teaching and research interests include organizational behavior, strategic management, knowledge management, organization theory, and human resource management. My teaching experience spans 20 years including undergraduate and graduate levels. My current scholarly interests include Human Resource Management, Knowledge Management, organizational behavior, leadership, and Business Ethics. I have published many collaboratively authored papers in high-quality journals. According to Google Scholar, my work has been cited over 1800 times. am currently a member of the Academy of Management and have been an associate member of the Turkish Academy of Sciences between 2010 and 2015.

I. <u>Superintendent's Report</u>

Enrollment

May 2023	Total Enrollment	ELL		Sped		Poverty	FRL Rate	
Syracuse Academy of Science	964	52	5%	91	9%	772	80.08%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	577	53	9%	71	12%	484	83.88%	
Utica Academy of Science	846	93	11%	53	6%	666	78.72%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	152	9	6%	19	13%	124	81.58%	
SANY District	2539	207	8%	234	9%	2046	80.58%	

Demographics

May 2023	Target	%	Total Enrollment	Male Female			Afri	Black or African American White				te Asian		
Syracuse Academy of Science	975	98.87%	964	440	46%	524	54%	668	69%	226	23%	42	4%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse	600	96.17%	577	278	48%	299	52%	430	75%	91	16%	39	7%	
Utica Academy of Science	858	98.60%	846	406	48%	440	52%	313	37%	339	40%	138	16%	
Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester	171	88.89%	152	74	49%	78	51%	130	88%	16	11%	4	3%	
SANY District	2604	91.67%	2387	1124	47%	1263	53%	1411	59%	656	27%	219	9%	

SAS

- 1. Friday, June 16th, 2023: Krysta Broeker, Mental Health Educator from Contact Community Services, spoke to Middle School students about Mental Health and Selfcare. Students learned what Mental Health is, how to start a conversation about it, how to reach out for help, different types of self-care, and available resources in our community. Thank you to Krysta and Contact Community Services for educating students about such an important topic!
- 2. Saturday, June 3rd, 2023: Our talented students' achievements are out of this world! On Saturday, June 3rd, 2023, the Atoms High School Robotics Team competed in the CNY Rocket Team Challenge. The competition brought together the brightest young minds from various schools in Syracuse. Teams of four to eight students design and assemble a model rocket kit provided by the Museum of Science & Technology. It aims to foster innovation, teamwork, and scientific exploration among the participating students. Congratulations to the following students for participating in this tournament: Migual Mathis, Andre McClain, Emad Alomari, Yakina Amoah, Arna Amoah, Paw November, Adwoa Amoah, Samara Hurtado, Qamara Smith, Aamiran Ridha, Quatice Williams, Aracelli Goodyear, and Elda Goodyear. Our Atom's dedication, perseverance, and exceptional skills earned them second and third place!

Second Place: Team ATLAS: Samara Hurtado and Qamara Smith.

Third Place: Team Mframa: Arna Boatema Amoah, Yakina Sika-Amoah, Paw November, and Adwoa Amoah.

- 3. Saturday, June 3rd, 2023: The 5th grade STEAM club had a blast in The Museum of Science & Technology's rocket challenge. The team, "SANY Galaxy Kids," built a rocket and had to figure out the best way to keep their "eggstronauts" safe during the flight. With eggcellent teamwork and strategy, their egg survived the flight, and they scored 28 out of 30 overall. Great job, Atoms!
- 4. Friday, June 2nd, 2023: We're back with another Senior Spotlight. This time it's Jose Rosa's turn! What is one major accomplishment you had in your senior year of high school? Getting a full-ride scholarship to my number 1 school.What are your goals for after high school? Become a lawyer and maybe climb to a bigger role after that.Name one person that inspires you. My grandma.What advice would you give to the next senior class? Don't slow down because once you do it will catch up to you.Where do you see yourself in five years? Working my dream job and getting my family out of the hood.If you could have dinner with any person living or dead, who would they be and why? Pete Carroll because he is the coach of my favorite football team.Name three traits that describe you. Intelligent, Respectful, Kind.What is your favorite hobby? Watching Football.What is your favorite memory of SAS? Student vs. Staff Games.
- 5. Friday, May 26th, 2023: We're back with another Senior Spotlight. This time it's Syracuse Academy senior David DeNardo's turn! What is one major accomplishment you had in your senior year of high school? Graduating.What are your goals for after high school? Graduate from College.Name one person that inspires you. My Father.What advice would you give to the next senior class? Don't get too lazy.Where do you see yourself in five years? Working a good job.If you could have dinner with any person living or dead who would they be and why?Shaquille O'Neal because he is sports smart and business smart.Name three traits that describe you. Quiet, Understanding, Energetic.What is your favorite hobby? Playing any sport.What is a hidden talent that no one or only a few people know about you? I have a weirdly good hand grip.What is your favorite memory of SAS? Someone falling and ripping their pants then they cried.
- 6. Friday, May 26th, 2023: Second graders in Ms. Peryea's class had a special guest! Superintendent Dr. Hayali came to read a story and talk about standing up for what you believe in. He read "The World Needs More Purple People" and discussed the importance of using your voice to stick up for what is right. Thanks, Dr. Hayali, for taking the time to come to class!
- 7. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: Dr. Patricia Ruggiano Schmidt was another excellent educator awarded by SANY Superintendent Dr. Hayali during our 20th Anniversary celebration. Dr. Schmidt is a Professor of Education at Le Moyne College. Her 20 years of teaching in elementary and secondary schools became the foundation for pursuing a literacy and language learning doctorate at Syracuse University. After retiring, Dr. Schmidt began consulting for culturally responsive and sustaining teaching at Syracuse Academy of Science (SAS). Joe Vargo of Business and Education Partnerships Inc. encouraged Patricia to visit SAS schools and meet Dr. Tolga Hayali, a superior urban education leader. As a result, she began teaching, learning, and studying with teachers and administrators at this charter school. Dr. Schmidt also worked with Syracuse Academy of Science teachers to publish "Authentic Voices: Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning." The book is written by K-4 teachers describing the benefits of

using students' customs, characteristics, experiences, and perspectives for a better classroom environment. Thank you, Dr. Schmidt, for your dedication to all students in the community!

- 8. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: Joanie Mahoney is the next outstanding educator awarded by SANY Superintendent Dr. Hayali. Ms. Mahoney was appointed President at the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry in November 2020. Prior to ESF, Ms. Mahoney served as Onondaga County Executive for 11 years. During her tenure, Ms. Mahoney was introduced to Superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali, and it was the beginning of a wonderful partnership. Ms. Mahoney visited classrooms in Syracuse and was always impressed with the students she met. She enjoyed their curiosity and was happy to be able to bring programs like Say Yes to Education to the Charter School. Ms. Mahoney often remarked about how well-prepared Syracuse Academy of Science students were. Thank you for your dedication to all children in the community, Ms. Mahoney!
- 9. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: Dr. Ehat Ercanli is an integral member of the Science Academies of New York community. He is one of the founding members of Syracuse Academy of Science. He is another deserving member that Superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali awarded into the "SANY Hall of Fame" during our 20th Anniversary celebration.Dr. Ercanli is an engineering and computer science professor at Syracuse University with expertise in computing systems, system verification, and databases. While pursuing his graduate degree at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, he voluntarily took part in numerous initiatives to assist students in need and provided educational guidance. Recognizing that motivation and a strong foundation are crucial for success in college, he actively participated in the design and curriculum creation for a charter school initiative with individual attention as its key emphasis. As a result, he co-founded Horizon Science Academies as STEM-focused, college-preparatory institutions, which expanded into multiple campuses. He relocated to Syracuse in 1999 to take an academic position at Syracuse University. He contributed to the founding and establishment of Syracuse Academy of Science, one of the first charter schools in New York with a college preparatory concentration. He served on the school board and presided over it from its formation in 2003 until 2009. Thank you for your advocacy and dedication to all children in the community!
- 10. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: It's time to introduce another person Superintendent Dr. Hayali awarded during SANY's 20th Anniversary celebration. Meet Dr. Donna DeSiato. Dr. DeSiato, a respected public education leader, has proudly served as superintendent of the East Syracuse Minoa Central School District since 2005. Dr. DeSiato recognizes the importance of the Syracuse Academies of New York (SANY) in her advocacy for all students. She is highly regarded in education and the business community for her leadership in innovative learning models, preparing graduates for our global society, and fostering public-private partnerships.Thank you for your dedication to SANY and your commitment to children while helping better their education.
- 11. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: During the Science Academies of New York's 20th Anniversary celebration, Superintendent Dr. Tolga Hayali honored eight exceptional individuals with "SANY Hall of Fame" awards. One of them is Dr. Lorrie Clemo. Dr. Clemo proudly serves as the 15th President of D'Youville University. Dr. Clemo is

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responsible for overseeing all operations – both academic and administrative within the educational institution. She was asked to get involved by the President of SANY when Dr. Damkaci proposed offering Science Academy of New York (SANY) students an opportunity to do summer research on the university campus. Dr. Clemo feels that someday, she will read about a SANY scholar who has made an important discovery that promises to improve humankind and our world. Thank you, Dr. Clemo, for your continued dedication to SANY and all children of the community.

- 12. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science celebrated 20 years of growth and success in Syracuse. Our school has come a long way since we were founded in 2003. In that first year, Syracuse Academy served only grades 7-9 and graduated its inaugural class in 2007. The school welcomed Director Dr. Tolga Hayali in 2008. Under Dr. Hayali's leadership, Syracuse Academy opened its elementary and middle school campuses. Syracuse Academy was replicated in Utica in 2013 once Utica Academy of Science opened, serving grades 6-9. There are now four Charter Schools and seven buildings managed by Dr. Hayali, operating under the SANY umbrella. The past two decades wouldn't have been possible without all the support from our teachers, staff, families, alums, and community members. Thank you for everything you have done and will continue to do for all children. We honored eight outstanding community members for their dedication to our youth during the celebration. Stay tuned for more information about our awardees!
- 13. Thursday, May 18th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science Middle School hosted its final Teen Center Night of the year. Atoms enjoyed playing basketball, ping pong, video games on the stage, and taking selfies at our photo booth. Of course, the night wouldn't be complete without the pizza and drinks! It was an enjoyable event for all who attended!
- 14. Friday, May 12th, 2023: Move over, Rihanna! Syracuse Academy of Science juniors & seniors glammed up in their fiercest dress or suit to stun the red carpet at the Met Gala themed prom! It was a night to remember for our Atoms dancing the night away at Traditions at the Links.
- 15. Friday, May 12th, 2023: It's time for another Senior Spotlight! This time we're recognizing Syracuse Academy of Science Senior Kenyon King. What is one major accomplishment you had in your senior year? Making all-state in football. What are your goals for after high school? To play college football while studying physical therapy. Name one person that inspires you? My mother. What advice would you give to the next senior class? The spotlight is on you, so set an example for everyone else in everything from sports to schoolwork. Where do you see yourself in five years? Working on buying a good house and car. If you could have dinner with anyone living or dead, who would they be and why? Lil Uzi because he seems like a good person to vibe with, and I ask him for some keys on how to be successful in what I'm trying to work for.Name three traits that describe you? Persistent, hard-working, funny. What is your favorite hobby? Playing games.What is your favorite memory of SAS? Being able to go home at 10:24 AM.
- 16. Friday, May 5th, 2023: Syracuse Academy of Science High School students and staff came together to celebrate at our annual Language and Cultural Fair. Students

representing over 20 different countries brought food, wore traditional clothing, and celebrated our school's diversity through song, dance, and a fashion show. The festival also featured beautiful artwork created by Syracuse Academy of Science Atoms. Great job showcasing different cultures, Atoms!

- 17. Friday, May 5h, 2023: Saving the earth and helping out people in our community? Syracuse Academy of Science Atoms are multi-tasking superheroes! Thanks to a generous donation of paper bags from Wegmans, our 6th and 7th graders were able to spread awareness about Earth Day. They decorated the paper bags and later donated to an organization giving gently used clothing to people in need throughout Syracuse. Our scholars enjoyed being creative while serving their community.
- 18. Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023: Seventeen juniors attended the SUNY College Fair hosted by SUNY Brockport. Atoms had the opportunity to meet with SUNY Community Colleges and Universities representatives. Financial aid specialists were also on hand to answer questions about affording college. The visit was complete with a lovely lunch at the dining hall thanks to the connections of our own Mr. Bility (SUNY Brockport Class of 2016!)
- 19. Monday, April 24th, 2023: In celebration of Earth Day, Syracuse Academy of Science Elementary School hosted guest speakers! Representatives from OCRRA, Miller Environmental, and Betts Branch Library came in over the course of the week to speak, demonstrate, and read to Atoms. The students really enjoyed the different presenters! We hope they all learned something about how to protect our planet Earth!

CSA Syracuse

- 1. Monday, April 10th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse Atoms were welcomed back from Spring Break with an exciting surprise. The school's newest music video will feature Citizenship Elementary Chorus students! Stay tuned to see what the Atom's Family is working on! Also, we would like to give a huge shoutout to music teachers Ms. Meehan and Mr. Hernandez for making this possible!!
- 2. Wednesday, May 17th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Syracuse students are celebrating the final 26 days of school with our annual ABC Countdown. 2nd-grade students celebrated "Art Day" by designing toothpick creations using shapes they are learning about, such as triangles, quadrilaterals, and pentagons. Check out this incredible fusion of art and math!

- Sunday, June 4th, 2023: Save the date!Utica Academy of Science Junior-Senior High School will hold its 10th annual International Day on Sunday, June 4th, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM in the gym. We encourage students and their families to join us for this grand celebration! Tickets cost \$5 at the door and go toward supporting our students. What you can expect:Captivating Performances,Art Exhibition,Culinary Delights. We hope you will join us for an afternoon of fun-filled festivities!
- 2. Saturday, June 3rd, 2023: Utica Academy of Science JSHS Atoms had a blast at the CNY Rocket Team Challenge. Utica Academy was represented by 5 teams, and "Team Rocket" achieved 10th place out of 48 teams in the competition! Teams had to build a rocket and figure out the best way to keep their "egg astronauts" safe during the flight. Congrats on the eggcellent teamwork and strategy Team Rocket: Amazyn Edwards, Maximilian Moo, Amier Win, Aysen Sann and John Linen Jr.
- 3. Friday, June 2nd, 2023: Our Utica Academy of Science hearts swelled with pride and joy as high school seniors and kindergarten students joined forces to celebrate a beautiful milestone Graduation! These incredible young minds started their educational journey at different times, but as their paths converged during our traditional Grad Walk, we are reminded of the amazing growth and camaraderie that takes place within the Utica Academy of Science halls. One step closer to graduation, seniors!
- 4. Wednesday, May 31st, 2023: Utica Academy of Science 6th-grade scholars visited the Herkimer Diamond Mines, where they learned about geology and the mining process. Our budding geologist delved deep into the world of diamonds, uncovering the secrets of these precious gems. Aimed with this new knowledge, Atoms went on a mission to find their own diamonds. What an incredible adventure!
- 5. Friday, May 26th, 2023: Congratulations to our Utica Academy of Science athletes, Surrayyah Hakim-Montero and Wol Machteng! They were awarded as Center State Conference All-Stars! Keep up the great work, Atoms!
- 6. Friday, May 26th, 2023: Candy is sweet, sugar is too, but the best woman in the world is no one but you!On Friday, May 26th, Utica Academy Elementary School Atoms invited a Marvelous Woman in their life for Muffins! Our scholars and staff thank you for joining us at this special event to celebrate you. Thank you to the FSA for donating the money and Bolzy's Catering LLC for providing the delicious muffins!
- 7. Thursday, May 25th, 2023: Ahoy Mateys! It was a swashbuckling good time when the Utica Academy of Science fourth-grade crew performed the musical Pirates! Our actors and actresses brought the stage to life with their incredible performances and high-seas adventures. Congratulations to the cast, crew, and of course, their Captain (oops, director), Ms. Parr, for their hard work!
- 8. Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023: Huge shoutout to our varsity Track and Field team members who represented Utica Academy of Science at the 2023 Section 3 Championship in Little Falls. Track stars included the four by 100 relay team; Surayyah Monteiro, So Chomm, Ajna Husovic, and Azareya Brown. Katrell Huff showed out in all the sprinting races with a 4th place finish in the 200-meter dash and 3rd place finishes in the 100-meter and 400-meter dashes. Our boys on the four-by-400-meter relay team, which consisted of

Katrell, Danny Haynes, Amari Berkley, and Wol Matcheng had the race of the day with a photo finishing 2nd place run and a time that sent them to the New York State Track and Field Semi-Finals. The performance of the night goes to Wol Matcheng, who once again dominated the 400-meter hurdles and is now crowned the Section 3 Champion in his event. He will also move on to the State Semi-Finals at CNS high school. Congratulations to the entire track team on a fantastic season, and good luck to our stars moving onto States next week!

- 9. Friday, May 12th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science High School celebrated its first-ever Cultural Day! The Korean Culture Club organized the event to celebrate and embrace the diverse backgrounds of its student body. Students were encouraged to wear traditional outfits that represented their cultural heritage. Not surprisingly, the school was filled with excitement and color as #UASAtoms arrived wearing beautiful outfits! The atmosphere was lively and festive, with students posing for pictures and sharing the stories behind their outfits. The reviews are in, and a student says, "It's great to see the school embracing our diverse backgrounds and giving us a platform to showcase our cultures." Thank you for making our first Cultural Day a success. Let's do even better next year!
- 10. Thursday, May 11th, 2023: We all at Utica Academy of Science would like to thank everyone who helped make our 10th Anniversary celebration possible. Celebrating with old and new friends at the Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro was wonderful. We are so grateful that we were able to present our hardworking teachers & staff who have been working with us for 10 years with awards. Thank you to Assemblywoman Marianne Buttenschon for presenting our school with a proclamation to recognize this milestone. We would also like to thank all the community organizations, STEM supporters, teachers, staff, students, parents, and alums who helped us reach ten years of growth and success in the Utica community. With your continued support for our children, we know we will make it to another decade and beyond.
- 11. Wednesday, May 10th, 2023: The fourth grade took a field trip to the Munson in Utica, and it was truly a masterpiece! The scholars dove into the rich history of the extraordinary art museum. They learned about optical illusions in the artwork while viewing the exhibits and participating in mind-boggling hands-on activities. It reminded them that art has the power to change the way we see the world.
- Friday, April 28th, 2023: Utica Academy of Science Varsity Track Team raced to the top at the Sauquoit Valley Cahill Classic. Top performers include: 7th grader Ayna Husovic in the 200-meter dash.

Surrayah Monteiro in the 100-meter dash and long jump.

Katrell Huff for a top 10 finish in the 200-meter dash and long jump.

Wol Matcheng with a 4th place finish in the 110-meter hurdles and taking home the Gold in 400-meter hurdles with a time that puts him as one of the top runners in the State!

CSA Rochester

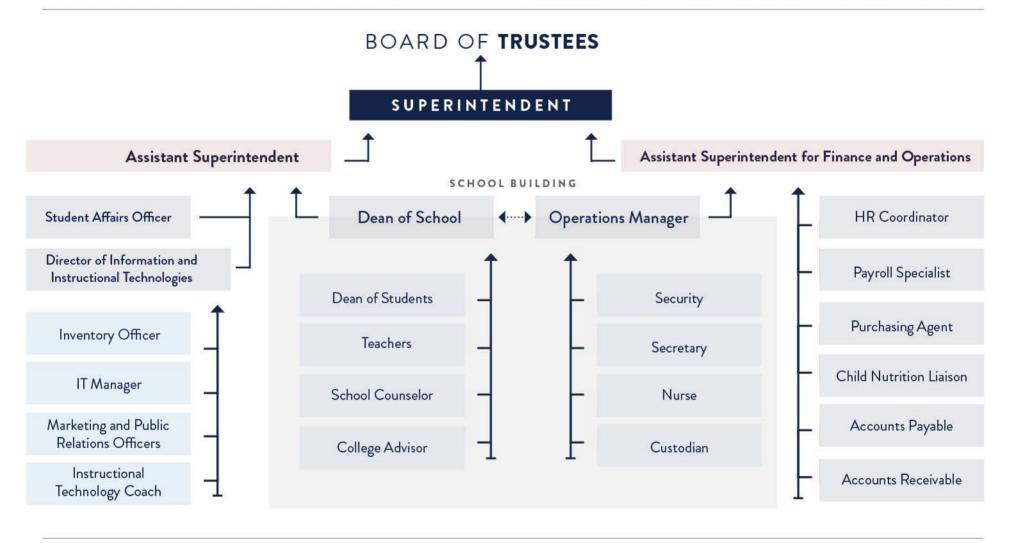
1. Friday, May 19th, 2023: Citizenship & Science Academy of Rochester had an extraordinary celebration honoring the incredible women who have impacted our students' lives. Muffins with Marvelous Women was an exceptional event filled with admiration and gratitude. We want to express our heartfelt appreciation to all the remarkable women who have significantly shaped our students' journeys. Your unwavering support and guidance have left an indelible mark. Here's to the extraordinary women who continue to inspire and empower!

I. Public Comment on Any Agenda Item

Board President or designee opens the public comment session on any agenda item. Each person is limited to speak for a period of one (1) minute and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name and provide their address. Board President or designee closes the public comment session on any topic.

II. Motion by Murat Baysal, seconded by Lindsay Cray, to adjourn the meeting at 8.00 pm. Roll Call: Adopted unanimously

SANY ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



A solid line arrow indicates the reporting relationship. The arrow points to each staff's supervisor. Supervisors will be held accountable by the person they report to for the performance of all of their direct reports. Arrows with dashed lines indicate constant communication with no supervisory responsibility.

CITIZENSHIP & SCIENCE ACADEMY OF SYRACUSE CHARTER SCHOOL | 2023-24 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

For our most up to date calendar information, visit us on the web at www.csasyracuse.org

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Updated DECEMBER 2020

The University of the State of New York THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT Office of Facilities Planning - Room 1060 Education Building Annex Albany, New York 12234

PUBLIC SCHOOL FIRE AND BUILDING SAFETY REPORT

(THIS REPORT IS TO BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY - DO NOT MAIL THIS REPORT)

All buildings which are owned, operated, or leased by public school districts, Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), and nonpublic schools must be inspected annually for compliance with applicable sections of 8NYCRR155 Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and for compliance with the 2020 Building Code of New York State, 2020 Fire Code of New York State and the 2020 Property Maintenance Code of New York State. DEDC CODE #

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the "Manual for Public School Facility Fire and Building Safety Inspections" prior to inspecting the facility and complete a separate report for each facility.
- Part I: General Information. School officials must complete this section annually.
- Part II: This section to be completed by the inspector and non-conformances recorded on page 4, Fire Safety Non-Conformance Reporting Sheet.
- Part II-A Regulations of the Commissioner 155.7: This section must be completed for student occupied buildings only. (Questions 1-7, Nonconformance Reporting Sheet) Do not complete this section for school buildings located in the cities of Buffalo, Syracuse, Rochester, and Yonkers.
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- Part III Certifications. To be completed by persons as indicated.
- A copy of this form must be kept on file at the school for three years and must be available for public review.
- Posting of Certificate of Occupancy: Any temporary, qualified, or annual Certificate of Occupancy must be posted in public view in a prominent location within this facility.

Part I: General Information and Fire/Life Safety History

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INSTRUCTIONAL					
BUS MAINTENANCE					
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MAINTENANCE					
OTHER					
Please Specify:					
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2. Is there a fire sprinkler syste	m in this facility?	O YES	(Y NO		<i>N</i>
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3. Is there a fire hydrant system	n for facility prote	ction? YES	О но		
If 'yes', indicate ownership	of system (select o	one):			
Public owned					
School owned					
Other					

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4. Indicate the ownership of this facility

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C Leased

a. If the building is not District Owned, provide the name and address of Landlord or Building Owner:

O NO

Name * Terra science + Education Address* 835 W. Geneske St Address * SYRACHINGRY 13204 Telephone # *

5. Does the District lease the building or spaces within the building to others? O YES

a. If yes, indicate the tenant(s):

Name *

Address *

Telephone #*

6. What is the current gross square footage of this facility?

nearest whole ten feet 53,88 8

7. If this Facility is vacant, skip the remaining questions and go to Section #2 Non-Conformance and report any nonconformances for Items #25A-1 through #26A-3

8. FIRE AND EMERGENCY DRILLS

If this facility is used for instruction, complete (a) - (g); otherwise go to question 9.

a. Per Section 807, paragraph 2 of the State Education Law entitled Fire and Emergency Drills, a	a copy of	Section	807	
has been printed and distributed as guidance to teaching staff?	Ø	YES	0	NO
b. Provide dates of twelve fire and emergency drills required by Section 807 of Education Law I September 1 and June 30 of the previous school year:	neld betw	yeen YES	0	NO

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FIRE & EMERGENCY DRILLS

NOTE Eight (8) are required between September 1, and December 31 Eight (8) drills are required to be evacuation drills Four (4) drills are required to be lockdown drills

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c. If the required number of fire and emergency drills were not held during this reporting cycle, please describe the reason:

8d. Average time to evacuate facility was:	3 minutes	D seconds
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8e. Arson and fire prevention instruction was provided in accordance with section 808 of the Education Law (revised 9/1/05) which requires every school in New York State to provide a minimum of 45 minutes of instruction in arson, fire prevention, injury prevention, and life safety for each month school is in session.

8f. Employee fire prevention, evacuation, and fire safety training was provided, and reco accordance with Section F406 of the NYS Fire Code	rds maintaine CrES	in O	NO
9. If the fire alarm system was activated, was the fire department immediately notified?			-
10. Have there been any fires in this facility since the last annual fire inspection report?	O YES	Ø	NO

a. If 'yes', indicate: Number of fires Number of injuries

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Total cost of property damage

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Part II: Public School Fire and Building Safety Non-Conformance Report Sheet District SANM Building Name Citizen Night Survice Aradem

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Final Inspection (if required): Fire Safety Inspector: Na

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Date 7/3/2023

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inspection (whomever accompanied the inspe available any records and/or required docume The individual identified below certifies that this	ation of the person responsible for monitoring this ector; provided access to all spaces; and made entation requested by the inspector) is building inspection was conducted on this date specific locations of any non-conformances
 Section III-C. School Superintendent I hereby submit this fire inspection report on behalf Public notice of report availability has been pub Any nonconformances noted as corrected on th Sheet portion of this report were corrected on th Violations which are not corrected immediately approved by the Commissioner. 	blished, and that he <i>Public School Fire Safety Non-Conformance Report</i> he date indicated, and that

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Part I: General Information and Fire/Life Safety History

Inspection Date 68/2023

Note : Please insert the date the actual inspection took place. *The Inspection Date cannot be earlier than 45 days before the Due Date.*

1. Please indicate the primary use of this facility:

- XINSTRUCTIONAL
- 👵 BUS MAINTENANCE
- 🔆 BUS STORAGE ONLY
- LEASED FACILITY OFF SCHOOL GROUNDS
- MAINTENANCE
- OTHER
- Please Spedfy:
- ် PUBLIC LIBRARY
- STORAGE
- U VACANT

2. Is there a fire sprinkler system in this facility? O YES

NO NO

If 'yes', is the sprinkler alarm connected with the building alarm? O YES O No

3. Is there a fire hydrant system for facility protection? X YES O NO

If 'yes', indicate ownership of system (select one):

- Public owned
- School owned
- O Other
- Please Specify:

4. Indicate the ownership of this facility

X Leased O Owned a. If the building is not District Owned, provide the name and address of Landlord or Building Owner:

Name * Terra Science and Education

835 W. Genesel Street

Syracuse, NY 13204

Telephone # * 315 - 423 - 2903

No NO 5. Does the District lease the building or spaces within the building to others? $\,\,
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a. If yes, indicate the tenant(s):

Name *

Address *

Telephone # *

6. What is the current gross square footage of this facility?

nearest whole ten feet: 5%, 000

7. If this Facility is vacant, skip the remaining questions and go to Section #2 Non-Conformance and report any non-conformances for Items #25A-1 through #26A-3

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If this facility is used for instruction, complete (a) - (g); otherwise go to question 9.

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a. Per Section 807, paragraph 2 of the State Education Law entitled Fire and Emergency Drills, a copy of Section 807 has been printed and distributed as guidance to teaching staff? has been printed and under the and emergency drills required by Section 807 of Education Law held between 0 NO

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FIRE & EMERGENCY DRILLS see attached log

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Section III-A. Fire Inspector

The individual noted below inspected this building and the information in this Fire Safety Report represents, to the best of their knowledge and belief, an accurate description of the building and conditions they observed. The individual that performed this inspection has maintained their certification requirements pursuant to Title 19 Part 1908

Signature	Title: Operations Manager Email: 1. tingermanle Sany. org	The individual identified below certifies that this building inspection was conducted on this date $\frac{\sqrt{2025}}{\sqrt{2025}}$ and can confirm the specific locations of any non-conformances (provide inspection date) identified within this report.	Please provide the name and contact information of the person responsible for monitoring this inspection (whomever accompanied the inspector; provided access to all spaces; and made available any records and/or required documentation requested by the inspector)	Section III-B. Building Administrator or Designee	Email: <u>4 but ter O Syr . Gov</u> (as designated by the NNY S Debattment of State) NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	Title: FIRE IN Spectal Certification #	Name: 6427 BUTLER Telephone #: (315) 448-4777	
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Section III-C. **School Superintendent**

I hereby submit this fire inspection report on behalf of the Board of Education and certify that:

- $\sim -$ Sheet portion of this report were corrected on the date indicated, and that Public notice of report availability has been published, and that Any nonconformances noted as corrected on the *Public School Fire Safety Non-Conformance Report*
- approved by the Commissioner. Violations which are not corrected immediately shall be corrected within a period of time

Email: Title: Name: ω 5 994 8 Signature Telephone #: S 671-54 ()



CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

VALID FOR FACILITY:

#8-002 SYRACUSE CHARTER MS LEASED QUARTERS = 44,000 GSF LIVERPOOL, NEW YORK 13088

Building ID: 421800878002

DISTRICT:

CITIZENSHIP-SCIENCE ACA-SYRACUSE TOLGA HAYALI 301 VALLEY DR SYRACUSE, NEW YORK 13207

Issuance Date: July 05, 2023 Effective Date: July 01, 2023 Expiration Date: July 01, 2024



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CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

VALID FOR FACILITY:

SYRACUSE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE & CITIZENSHIP CHARTER 301 VALLEY DRIVE SYRACUSE, NEW YORK 13207

Building ID: 421800878001

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