CAPITAL AREA SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS CHARTER SCHOOL (CASA CHARTER SCHOOL)

SECTION: BOARD PROCEDURES

TITLE: AUTHORITY AND POWERS

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Section 1. Authority

Pa. Const. PSC of 1949 SC – Art. XVII-A Sec. 17-1714-A Sec. 17-1716-A The Capital Area School for the Arts (CASA) Charter School Board of Trustees (Board) shall have the authority to decide matters related to the operation of the school, including, but not limited to, budgeting, curriculum and operating procedures, subject to the school's charter. The Board shall have the authority to employ, discharge and contract with necessary professional and nonprofessional employees subject to the school's charter and the provisions of the article.

Section 2. Powers

All officers of the corporation, as between themselves and the corporation, shall respectively have such authority and perform such duties in the management of the property and affairs of the corporation as may be determined by resolutions or orders of the Board, or, in the absence of controlling provisions in the resolutions or orders of the Board, as may be provided in the by-laws.

A charter school established under the act is a body corporate and shall have all powers necessary or desirable for carrying out its charter, including, but not limited to, the power to:

- 1. Adopt a name and corporate seal; however, any name selected shall include the words "charter school". The name selected for this school is Capital Area School for the Arts (CASA) Charter School.
- 2. Sue and be sued, but only to the same extent and upon the same condition that political subdivisions and local agencies can be sued.
- 3. Acquire real property from public or private sources by purchase, lease with an option to purchase or gift for use as a charter school facility.
- 4. Receive and disburse funds for charter school purposes only.

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- 5. Make contracts and leases for the procurement of services, equipment and supplies.
- 6. Incur temporary debts in anticipation of the receipt of funds.
 - 6.1 Incur debt or the construction of school facilities.
- 7. Solicit and accept any gifts or grants for charter school purposes.
 - 7.1 A charter school shall have such other powers as are necessary to fulfill its charter and which are not inconsistent with this article.
 - 7.2 Any indebtedness incurred by a charter school in the exercise of the powers specified in this section shall not impose any liability or legal obligation upon a school entity or upon the Commonwealth.

The Board shall have full power to conduct, manage, and direct the business and affairs of the corporation; and all powers of the corporation are hereby granted to and vested in the Board.

The Board, in accordance with its statutory mandate, shall adopt Board procedures for its own operation, and policies for the guidance of the Principal in the operation of the charter school. Board procedures and policies shall be consistent with law, have a rational and substantial relationship to a legitimate purpose of the Board, and be directed towards the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of education.

The Board shall act as the general agent of the people in the matter of the charter school education. It shall establish educational goals for students and govern a program of education designed to meet those goals. The Board shall be responsible for enforcing mandatory laws and regulations. The Board shall be the agent responsible for establishing, maintaining and evaluating the education activities of this charter school, in accordance with law.

The powers of the Board of Trustees are not vested in the individual Board member. No such individual is authorized to act on behalf of the Board to carry out any of the Board's statutorily authorized powers, except for those acts stated in law.