

Board Meeting Minutes

W-A-Y Academy Flint

(Regular Board Meeting)

Date: October 20, 2022

Members present: Howard Buetow, Lori Wright, Angela Izzo, Kelli Glenn

Others present: Jean Pash, Shelli Smith, Isaiah Pettway, Trena Braswell, Alexandra Guzman

Meeting Called to Order @ 6:31 pm

Roll Call Attendance

Howard Buetow (Genesee County)- Present

Lori Wright (Genesee County)- Present

Kelli Glenn (Washtenaw County)-via zoom

Devontae Powell (Genesee County)-Absent

Angela Izzo (Genesee County)- Present

Approval of the Agenda

- Motion moved by Angela Izzo /2nd by Lori Wright
- Roll Call Vote:) Lori Wright (Y) Howard Buetow (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y). Motion carries.

Call to the Public:

- Read by Howard Buetow-no public present or commenting.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of August 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Motioned by Lori Wright /2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Lori Wright (Y) Howard Buetow (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y). Motion carries.

Correspondence

- None

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Discussion Items

Educational Service Providers Report

- **Superintendent's Report**
Isaiah Pettway shared the following:

Program Updates (W-A-Y Programs)

- Audits are continuing, November 1st is the deadline for the audit and the findings to be submitted to the state. The auditors will be presenting the findings to the board at the November board meeting.

Enrollment/Recruitment/Marketing

- The academies are through count and on the count period, which is the four weeks of communication.
- Currently they are entering the 25e period. This is where the state calculates a prorated amount that follows the student if they decide to leave the school where they were counted. The school they decide to transfer to receive a daily prorated amount for these students.
- Currently enrollment is 97 students but 4 are not counted because they were not anywhere else on count day. There is still an opportunity to accept 25e students to get them in and be able to go over the enrollment goal of 100 students.
- Budget cuts will not be required because the proposed budget does not take into consideration the per pupil increase.
- Budget amendments are done after count and will be presented to the board in the November board meeting.

Academic Updates

- NWEA testing has been completed at the academies. Previously they were using performance series and now they moved over to NWEA testing. All scores will be presented to the board once it's been completed.

Personnel Updates

- WAY Academy Flint Campus is in a good place. The last position available was for a social emotional counselor and an offer was extended for one already. This was the biggest outstanding position. She does have a background in social work and is a certified counselor. Just a reminder to the board she will be a split position between WAY Flint and WAY Michigan. They each will be covering half the cost.

Legislative/Authorizer Updates

- Consolidated grant applications have been completed and turned in. Supt. Pettway received notification today that all have been made available online. After reviewing them, some amendments will need to be made on the language but no major changes.
- Days and Clock Hours waiver has been approved. It has been forwarded to LSSU as well.
- Supt. Pettway's goal is to have it to them at the end of the by the 30th application to LSSU for reauthorization.
- Reminder that Shelly and the team were also awarded additional funding for the regional assistance grants. Shelly has already planned for those funds.
- Also, they have been in touch with the landlord, and they have agreed to a one-year extension of the current lease. Termination is June 30th, 2023. From July 1st, 2023, to June 30th 2024 will be the one year extension. What will happen is they will start to look for other opportunities. If they do not want to

go past that on year extension. The project managing team has already been looking for some prospects for future reference.

98C Learning Loss

Superintendent Pettway shared the following:

- Governor has given a Per pupil allowance has increased, in addition there has been an extension of ESSR III grants. It is called 98C and it is to mitigate learning loss. Estimated calculation to the grant is about 90% of the title I funding received in 21-22. Title I allocation for last year was \$104,91. 90% of that is 94, 419.96. This is just an estimation nothing has been finalized. In math and reading, high dosage tutoring, micro schools. We will be looking for the final allocation within the next couple of weeks and then report back to the board. Schools had to present to the board about 98C by October 30th deadline.

Director's Report

Ms. Smith shared the following:

- Enrollment this month was at 93. From the month of July, the enrollment has grown by 63%. After asking families how they found out about the school, mostly everyone said word of mouth and not advertising. The huge enrollment event did enroll 4 students. 9th grade is a largest class. They are very excited about the middle school because it use to be 5 kids only and now they have more. Sadly, most of the enrollment are students that have not been in school for the last two years during COVID.
- In August students earned only 30 credits. In September It was 47.52 credits in just one month.
- Average monthly credit by grade level and the 8th graders did well.
- All students are working on a monthly project targeted for the entire school. They call it the focus project and there should not be any zeros next month. It gives them math credit and helps them review math.
- Ms. Smith explained Xello to the board members. How the students choose their current interest outside of school. They do have the students update Xello yearly because students interest changes.
- Constitution day was during September and 48 researchers went on a field trip to the greenfield village. The students were grouped with an adult they team thought they would relate to the most. They connected with the adult during the field trip and formed relationship with one another. Those connections are what keeps the students coming into school.
- Someone from the Flint Institute of Arts reached out to her letting her know they would give them money for transportation and instead Shelly said no transportation needed because they were only 2 block away but she will take the tickets. Death of a salesman discussion and then a play was a great experience.
- Social emotional counselor started October 10th, 2022. She held her first restorative circle with a couple new young men they didn't like each other.

They don't like each other but now they keep to themselves and now they stay away and keep the peace.

- Ms. Smith attended the MDE conference in Lansing and they are promoting big things that are happening in schools, we as a school are already doing everything they said. They are ahead of everyone and she congratulated the team.

Treasurers Report

Jean Pash shared the following September 2022 Financial reports

- Ms. Jean Pash announced that there was no State Aid Payment was received this month.
- The Accounts Payable was \$166,063.18
- The payroll for the month of June added up to \$19,847.75
- Monies Transferred to Program and applied was \$50,000.00
- The accounts payable as of September 30th, 2022, was \$255,115.77
- Payroll Liabilities was \$38,132.15
- Request for transfer in the amount of \$85,000.00

Training

- None

Action Items

Approval to Accept Financial Reports September 2022

- Motioned by Lori Wright/2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Howard Buetow (Y) Lori Wright (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y). Motion carries.

LSSU Liaison Updates

Melissa Weinberger her report and shared the following:

- Governance and compliance report done every year. Compilation of the Epicenter submissions if they are n time or accurately etc. Everything is put into a final summative to put it into a report for you. For the 2021-2022 the board had their submissions to epicenter 80% on time board and the school had 78% on time accuracy. Board and school had a combination of 92% and anything 85 or above is considered 100 %. You are awarded a Compliance Grant which is \$35 per student. Spring count 69 students of the previous year which totals \$1035. Governance, ask that all board members get your two PD hours per year. There were 12 board meeting logged and none cancelled, and board attendance was at 98%. The reports are looking very good. Julie just sent out her academic reports for the 21-22. She will be coming down in November to present those to the board.

Board Committee Reports

- **Policy Report:** None

Announcements

- Next Board Meeting will be on November 17, 2022 at 6:30 pm.
- Board President Howard would like to reaffirm that all the meetings are to be held at 6:30 pm.

Call to the Public-No public present/no public comments

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn: Lori Wright/2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Lori Wright (Y) Howard Beutow (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y).
Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm

Minutes submitted by: Alexandra Guzman

Minutes Certification:

Proposed minutes of October 20, 2022 Regular Meeting respectfully submitted,

Lori Wright

Board Secretary

10 / 30 / 2022

Date

Signature Certificate

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