

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
WAY Academy of Flint
Board of Directors
Wednesday, July 22, 2015
6:30 p.m.**

The meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m.

- I. Call to Order by Howard Buetow, WAY Academy of Flint Board President.

Members Present: Howard Buetow, Precious Spencer, and Angela Nelson.

Members Not Present: Kristy Gilbert and Teri Hazard.

Guests Present: Bethany Rayl and Kelli Glenn, WAY Program.

- II. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Precious Spencer and seconded by Angela Nelson to approve the agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

- III. Call to the Public

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No public comment occurred.

- IV. Election of Officers

- A. President – Howard Buetow

It was moved by Precious Spencer and seconded by Angela Nelson to nominate Howard Buetow for WAY Academy of Flint Board President. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Precious Spencer and seconded by Angela Nelson to close nominations. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

B. Vice-President – Precious Spencer

It was moved by Angela Nelson and seconded by Howard Buetow to nominate Precious Spencer for WAY Academy of Flint Board Vice-President. All Present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Angela Nelson and seconded by Howard Buetow to close nominations. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

C. Secretary – Angela Nelson

It was moved by Howard Buetow and seconded by Precious Spencer to nominate Angela Nelson for WAY Academy of Flint Board Secretary. All Present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Howard Buetow and seconded by Precious Spencer to close nominations. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

D. Treasurer – Angela Nelson

It was moved by Howard Buetow and seconded by Precious Spencer to nominate Angela Nelson for WAY Academy of Flint Board Treasurer. All Present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Howard Buetow and seconded by Precious Spencer to close nominations. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

E. Chief Academic Officer – Howard Buetow

It was moved by Angela Nelson and seconded by Precious Spencer to nominate Howard Buetow for WAY Academy of Flint Board Chief Academic Officer. All Present voted aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by Angela Nelson and seconded by Precious Spencer to approve all nominations for the Board Officers. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

V. Designations and Appointments

A. Adopt 2015-16 Board Meeting Calendar;

The Board meeting will be the first Wednesday of the month except on April 13, 2016, July 27, 2016 and no meeting in August 2016.

- B. Designate Person Responsible for Posting Notices;
Director of the WAY Academy of Flint
- C. Designate Location of Public Notices Postings;
Post on the front door of the WAY Academy of Flint
- D. Designate Principal Print Media Source;
The Flint Journal
- E. Designate Depository or Depositories For Academy Funds
Chase Bank
- F. Designate Board Members and/or Other Personnel Who Are Eligible To
Sign Academy Checks;

Howard Buetow, WAY Academy of Flint Board President, Angela Nelson, WAY Academy of Flint Board Treasurer, Kelli Glenn, WAY Program, Director of Finance

- G. Designate Personnel Authorized By The Board OF Directors To
Negotiate and Implement Contracts;

Kelli Glenn, WAY Program, Director of Finance
Howard Buetow, Precious Spencer, Angela Nelson, WAY Academy of Flint Board Members

- H. Appoint Board Legal Counsel;
Thomas & Delaney
- I. Appoint External Independent Auditor;
Taylor & Morgan

It was moved by Precious Spencer and seconded by Angela Nelson to accept the Designations and Appointments. All present voted aye.
Motion carried.

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Accept minutes of June 2015 meeting

It was moved by Angela Nelson and seconded by Precious Spencer to accept the consent agenda. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

VII. Coorespondence

Howard Buetow shared that he received two notifications in the mail:

1. Notification of Conditional Grant Award for the MDE Supplemental Charter Implementation Grant in the amount of \$95,400 to be used for Science lab materials.
2. Notification with a question from the State regarding the 2013-14 audit. Kelli Glenn stated that she will follow-up on this and report back to the Board.

VIII. Old Business

A. Discussion Items None discussed

B. Action Items None discussed

IX. New Business

A. Discussion Items

1. Introduction of the Superintendent of Charter Schools

Dr. Alexander Cintron introduced himself to the Board. Alex shared that he is very excited to be a part of the WAY Organization and looks forward to working with everyone.

2. Academic Progress Report

Bethany Rayl shared that there will be a comprehensive review in August or September when we receive the M-STEP results. She also shared that the NWEA results are in and we have shown a very positive growth in every area. There will be a breakdown later in regards to Math, Reading, and Language Usage. Rayl commented that the goal was to get the kids to understand the importance of the tests and to give it their best effort to accurately measure growth.

3. Flint Campus Update

- Bethany Rayl shared that we have been interviewing for a new Director at the WAY Academy of Flint. There are some strong candidates and will have some news soon.
- Bethany Rayl shared that we are in the middle of recruitment time.
- We will be involved in some unique booths around town for marketing (Jump Shot for Youth). Some of our staff represented WAY at the Burton Glen Academy's high school night. This is a K-8 academy.
- Alex Cintron shared how important community involvement is. He added he would like to get the WAY logo all over Flint in a positive message as another educational option.

4. Ann Arbor Campus Update

- Bethany Rayl shared that Ann Arbor is also in the middle of recruiting and marketing. We have a plan to have a booth at the Ypsilanti Heritage Fest on the second weekend of August. We attended the fair last year and had a good turnout.
- Howard Buetow indicated that he would like to visit the Ann Arbor site for a tour during the recruitment process.

5. Financial Report

- Kelli Glenn reviewed and discussed the financial report for June 30, 2015. She was happy to share that we are in a positive net income.
- Kelli Glenn shared an update on cash flow borrowing. There will be a resolution at the August meeting.

6. ESP Evaluation

Howard Buetow indicated that he will email a questionnaire to all Board members regarding WAY Program's evaluation. Buetow will then gather responses and send them to LSSU. Bethany Rayl reminded the Board that the evaluation is due by 7/31/15.

7. Board Self Evaluation

Per the request of the Board, Bethany Rayl will send an email with a survey to Board members to complete online. Bethany will get results to Howard Buetow and Board members.

B. Action Items

1. Accept Financial Report

It was moved by Angela Nelson and seconded Precious Spencer to accept the financial report. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

VIII. Board Committee Reports/Comments

Howard Buetow shared that the LSSU Retreat is on August 8th with Activities on the 7th. Buetow shared that he had a very good experience last year at the Retreat. Rayl also shared that this year's retreat is a joint Board/Administration Retreat.

IX. Announcements;

Howard Buetow and Bethany Rayl shared the sad news that Glenn Bachmann, our former LSSU liaison, passed away this morning.

X. Call to the Public

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XI. Adjournment

It was moved by Precious Spencer and seconded by Angela Nelson to adjourn the meeting. All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

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