

WAY Academy of Flint
817 E. Kearsley
Flint, MI 48503
Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
Thursday, December 21, 2017
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting.

I. Call to Order by the President at 6:30 pm

Buetow X
Nelson X
Spencer Absent
Wright X
Cabine X

II. Approval of Agenda

Howard Buetow requested that we add LSSU Liaison Report to the agenda.

Motion made to accept agenda as amended by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Melissa Cabine.
Approved unanimously.

III. Call to the Public

None.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Accept minutes of November 2017 Meeting

Motion made to accept minutes of the November 16, 2017 regular Meeting by Melissa Cabine/Seconded by Lori Wright. Approved unanimously.

V. Correspondence

None.

VI. Old Business

None.

VII. New Business

A. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report - Jennifer Hernandez

- A. More than half of the students that had zero credit earned credit in September and October have now earned credit. Researchers have the goal set for 6 credits a year.
 - B. On December 12th, there was a field audit with Melanie Wood from GISD. Courtney Morey demonstrated HERO. Ms. Wood was impressed with how we communicate with researchers.
 - C. Jennifer went over potential new partnerships in woodworking and working solar panels.
 - D. Jennifer shared the new website with the board.
2. Director's Report - Scott Henwood
- A. 13 people graduated during the fall semester. Asberry Church provided the facility free of charge and it was well received.
 - B. Stem Genius came in to facilitate the kids building a ferris wheel and robot. It was well received by the kids.
 - C. Asberry has a work program for up to 15 of our kids. They can even be paid. Teachers may be able to create projects for credit based off that work. It's a community initiative, facilitated by the church but provided as a non-religious service.
 - D. Parent night was successful. The academy had 12 parents and 4 students in attendance.
3. Academic Goals and Progress Report - Jennifer Hernandez
- A. Average attendance for high school and middle school has improved.
4. November 2017 Financial Report
- Kelli Glenn presented the financial report to the board and provided a handout..
 - Kelli clarified that when Flint's budget was restructured to look more like K-12, the auditor questioned it. It was explained to the auditor that we did that to be more transparent and look more like a traditional school district. We will not be going back to the old format regardless.
5. Response to Audit Governance Letter - Kelli Glenn
- A. Kelli Glenn shared this information with the board. This letter is a response to the Yeo & Yeo audit. There were no findings, only comments. We were questioned about an error in payroll. We were given a suggestion on how we use our Quickbooks software. Kyle Karriker, from outside the business office reviews payroll, as well as, a third step ensuring payroll is in proper order. Chase online processes our checks and it's much more secure. Board member Angela Nelson suggested that the business office should explore how Chase and Quickbooks may be able to feed information into each other.
6. December 2017 Budget Amendment - Kelli Glenn

Kelli Glenn shared this information with the board. Ms. Glenn explained the function codes and how the budget summary was organized and highlighted some of the changes. The enrollment target of 180 was missed so the budget has been amended to reflect 167. Title IV is a \$10,000 allocation that was added. Title I and II have two amounts because there are some funding crossover during the school year. The academy's IDEA funding went up \$7600. The academy lost some at-risk funding as a result of the Washtenaw closure. No regular items were moved to the board 3%. No staff were laid off as a result of missing the enrollment target.

B. Action Items

1. Accept Financial Report

Motion made to accept the November 2017 Financial Report as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Melissa Cabine. Approved unanimously.

2. Approve Response to Audit Governance Letter

Motion made to approve the Response to Audit Governance Letter as presented by Lori Wright/Seconded by Angela Nelson. Approved unanimously.

3. Approve December 2017 Budget Amendment

Motion made to approve the December 2017 Budget Amendment as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Lori Wright. Approved unanimously.

VIII. Board Committee Reports/Comments

- A. The Lake Superior State University liaison (Garnet Green) shared that everything is going well with our board meetings.

IX. Announcements

Ms. Hernandez shared that she had recently spoken to Chris Oshelski (LSSU). He would like the board to select a committee to work on the reauthorization. He suggested just a couple people in the committee. Howard Buetow volunteered to work on this, and Angela Nelson and Lori Wright expressed interest in working with Howard on the committee.

X. Call to the Public

None.

XI. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn at 7:24 pm by Lori Wright/Seconded by Melissa Cabine. Approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at: 7:24pm