

WAY Academy of Flint
817 E. Kearsley St., Flint, MI 48503
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting
October 17, 2019
6:30 PM
MINUTES

I. Call to Order by the President at 6:31 pm.

II. Attendance Roll Call

Buetow X

Nelson X

Wright X

Cabine X

Spencer Absent

Howard Buetow made some introductions to prospective board member Rashaun (Shaun) Richardson who is a former student of WAY Academy Flint.

III. Approval of Agenda – President Buetow requested adding Board Resolution Fairness First under New Business Discussion Items as Item 8 and add approval of Board Resolution Fairness First under New Business Action Items as Item 3.

Motion made to approve the agenda as amended by Melissa Cabine /Seconded by Angela Nelson. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

IV. Call to the Public

V. Consent Agenda

Accept Minutes of September 19, 2019 Regular Meeting

Motion made to approve the minutes of the 9/19/19 regular board meeting by Lori Wright/Seconded by Angela Nelson. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

VI. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items

1. 2018-19 Audit Report Presentation

Taylor and Morgan auditors presented the 2018/19 Audit Report and shared a handout with the board. Auditors noted there were no issues on the audit, however, wanted to share information around the report with the board.

2. Superintendent's Report – Madeline Black – Not in Attendance

3. Director's Report - Shelly Smith

Shelly Smith shared the Academy newsletter with the board which provided information on what has been

going on at the school. Students seem to enjoy the newsletter. Ms. Smith shared information with the board around enrollment, attendance, and credit attainment and provided the board with a handout. We are currently at 94 students enrolled. Credit attainment increased for the month of September. Our attendance for September was 70% and we anticipate it will increase more for October.

Points of Pride:

The Flint Campus students are at 99% complete for Performance Series testing and have 97% complete for Career Cruising. We recently partnered with Crossover Ministry to create an opportunity for students to give back to the community. Title I Math and Reading Specialists have started their programs at the Flint Campus. We connected with Courtney Prout of For-Mar, for future opportunities as we were too late for BioBlitz.

4. Academic Goals and Progress Report – Madeline Black – Not in Attendance
5. September 2019 Financial Report – Kelli Glenn

Ms. Glenn shared information around the September 2019 Financial Report with the board and provided them with a handout for review. President Buetow inquired about budget amendment for building maintenance which occurred last year. Ms. Glenn shared with the board on where to find this information on the financial report.

6. Budget Discussion

Ms. Glenn shared information on a preliminary budget and provided them with a handout. We've experienced lower than anticipated enrollment at the campus. Gov. Whitmer vetoed numerous line items in the budget which will impact charter school funding as they will not be provided additional funding at the time. Based on this information, the budget will be extremely tight this year. Ms. Smith will be serving as the Director and Team Leader for the campus. Ms. Wagner will be working at Flint four days, however, her 5th day of work, she will be working online for another WAY campus site. We are keeping security in the building and will keep them in the building four days per week. We will not have security in the building on Friday as there are limited students attending on Friday. Board Member Melissa Cabine inquired if the security days/hours could be tweaked. Ms. Smith indicated they are making the security schedule based on when students are in the building. Board President Buetow inquired as to the number of students enrolled at this time last year. Ms. Glenn shared that there 135 enrolled at our campus this time last year. Ms. Glenn shared the amended budget will be presented at the November board meeting.

7. Training

Board member Melissa Cabine attended the recent LSSU webinar training. Ms. Weisburger from LSSU shared the webinar will be posted should any additional members wish to review it. Ms. Glenn shared that the financials were previously attached to the board secure site for their review. Ms. Glenn indicated we could have a review/training on access to the board secure site. Ms. Cabine shared additional information around the recent training and information she was able to obtain. Ms. Weisburger shared this academy is on target with board meeting timelines/scheduling.

8. Board Resolution Fairness First

Ms. Glenn shared information on the Fairness First Board Resolution and provided the board with a copy of the resolution for their review.

B. Action Items

1. Accept Financial Report

Motion made to accept the September 2019 Financial Report as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

2. Approve 2018-2019 Audit Report

Motion made to approve the 2018-2019 Audit Report as presented by Melissa Cabine/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

3. Approve Board Resolution Fairness First

Motion made to approve the Board Resolution Fairness First as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Melissa Cabine. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

IX. LSSU Authorizer Liaison Report - Melissa Weisburger

Board member Melissa Cabine asked about an email she received regarding a contract amendment. Ms. Weisburger indicated that we could review and discuss this information at a future board meeting. Ms. Glenn asked for additional information around having time to do a contract amendment to accommodate the state aid borrowing note (both changes together?) Ms. Weisburger indicated they would likely need to be done separately.

Ms. Weisburger shared information with the board around upcoming webinars that are available to the board and provided them with dates/times. Please be sure to inform Ms. Weisburger when you have attended any of the webinars to obtain board member credit.

Please submit conflict of interest forms to Melissa Weisburger.

- X. Board Committee Reports/Comments: Angela Nelson shared information with the board and indicated that she and Kelli Glenn will get in touch around this and provide a timeline at the next board meeting. Also wanted to say thank you to Ms. Glenn for the recent audit and all hard work that was involved.

Discussion was held around the 5th board member who has not been in attendance. Mr. Buetow indicated he will notify her in writing and try to coordinate her resignation. Ms. Weisburger shared that this board member needs to submit their resignation, or the board could vote the member off the board.

- XI. Announcements: Board member Melissa Cabine inquired if any there are conferences available at MAPSA pertaining specifically to board members. Ms. Weisburger indicated they are really encouraging board member to attend and will offer them reduced rates for attending.

- XII. Call to the Public: None

- XIII. Adjournment at 7:39 pm

Motion made to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Melissa Cabine. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of October 17, 2019 regular meeting respectfully submitted,



Board Secretary

11/14/19

Date