

WAY ACADEMY OF FLINT
817 E. KEARSLEY STREET, FLINT, MI 48503
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WAY ACADEMY OF FLINT
FEBRUARY 20, 2020
6:30 PM

MINUTES

I. Call to order by the President at 6:32 pm

II. Attendance Roll Call

Buetow X

Cabine X

Nelson X

Wright X

III. Approval of Agenda

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

IV. Call to the Public: None

V. Consent Agenda

Motion made to approve the January 16, 2020 minutes as presented by Lori Wright/ Seconded by Melissa Cabine. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

VI. Correspondence: Recent LSSU Personnel Audit showed zero findings.

VII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items

1. Superintendent's Report – Madeline Black

Superintendent Black shared information on recent conferences/PD's that she recently attended. Some will support data information needed for the school. A new program called Datahub will house all student information. Ms. Black shared on some benefits of the Datahub. She has obtained the necessary information to use the Datahub and Evaas systems at the Flint

Campus. Ms. Black shared on reports that will be available for future board meetings which will show student growth and state average growth. Ms. Black shared additional information around this program.

Ms. Black shared on marketing initiatives that will be instituted in an effort to increase enrollment. We will try to get our newsletter out into the community. She also shared that we need to get our name on the news media to support the positive activities that are happening in the school. Ms. Black shared that we have to get more kids in this building as it's a GREAT place to be!! Ms. Smith has been asked to do a video around why school of choice is a positive choice for parents. Additional information was shared around marketing initiatives.

Ms. Black asked that the board provide her with feedback on what they may want her to report out on at future board meetings.

2. Director's Report – Shelly Smith

Shelly Smith shared information with the board around enrollment, attendance and credit attainment and provided them with a handout. Enrollment has gone down since January. One graduated and two were exited due to non-participation. We are currently at 84 students enrolled.

Ms. Smith shared on a data board she created in the lab showing students that their attendance does matter. She indicated that attendance has been poor during the month of February due to illness. Discussion was held around credit attainment and steps that have been taken with specific students who were not gaining enough credit.

Points of Point:

1. Tre Fuller (7th grader) was nominated an award of recognition from Kaleidoscope: A Celebration of Authors. This is a publication that shares student work with a wide range audience. The publication was unable to print Tre's submission due to the content matter being too intense for younger audiences.
2. Different students attended the FIA, the Mott Culinary Institute, and the School of Choice rally in Lansing this past month.
3. We started our PBIS training this month. Board Member Angela Nelson asked what is PBIS training? Ms. Smith shared it is the Positive Behavior program that is ongoing in the building. Ms. Smith shared additional information around how the program works with our current students.
4. Terrell Gregory and Gavin Chaney started their month-long internship with 100K ideas at the Ferris Wheel.

Ms. Smith and Ms. Black shared positive information around Mr. Dale who is one of the Flint teachers. Ms. Smith also shared on Reading Specialist who has been supporting reading within the building also. The students seem to be really engaged and reading during this time.

3. Academic Goals and Progress Report – Madeline Black

4. January 2020 Financial Reports

Kelli Glenn shared information around the January 2020 Financial Reports and provided the board with a handout. Ms. Glenn indicated that she will present the Spring budget amendment at the March board meeting. Board President Buetow shared information around potential county IDEA funding and requested that Ms. Glenn look into this and share with the board at the March board meeting. Ms. Glenn shared on the governor's proposal for next school year which includes a 2% increase. She is also recommending special needs/alternative students achieve additional funding. Ms. Glenn will keep the board posted on this as she obtains information. Board Member Angela Nelson asked for clarification on timing of budget amendments and Ms. Glenn provided the board with this clarification.

5. Legal Services RFP

Ms. Glenn shared information on this with the board. The due date for the RFP's is next week and Ms. Glenn will share this information with the board committee. The board would like to have the board committee meeting held 30 minutes prior to the scheduled March board meeting. LSSU Liaison Melissa Weisburger indicated she could share potential attorney information with Ms. Glenn for board consideration.

6. Training: LSSU liaison Melissa Weisburger indicated there was a webinar was held on Monday around Best Reporting Practices. This will be available online in the near future. There is another webinar scheduled in April around Board Leadership. Ms. Weisburger will provide this information to the board.

B. Action Items

1. Accept January 2020 Financial Reports

Motion made to accept the January 2020 Financial Report as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

IX. LSSU Authorizer Liaison Report – Melissa Weisberger

Ms. Weisburger shared that Board Member Melissa Cabine's seat will soon be up and the board would need to nominate her for another term.

Motion made to nominate Melissa Cabine as board member for another term by Angela Nelson/seconded Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

X. Board Committee Reports/Comments: None

XI. Announcements: None

XII. Call to the Public: None

XIII. Adjournment at 7:13 pm

Motion made to adjourn at 7:13 pm by Melissa Cabine/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of February 20, 2020 Regular meeting respectfully submitted,

Howard Buetow

Board Secretary


04/23/2020

Date

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