

WAY ACADEMY OF FLINT
817 E. Kearsley Street
Flint, MI 48503
Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting
January 21, 2021 at 6:30 pm
Minutes

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

II. Attendance Roll Call

Buetow X Pinellas County, Florida
Nelson X Shiawassee County, Michigan
Wright X Genesee County, Michigan

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion made to approve the January 21, 2021 agenda as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Buetow Aye
Nelson Aye
Wright Aye

IV. Call to the Public:

Rich Klemm (Executive Director of WAY Program) joined the meeting and wanted to thank the Board for all they do in honor of Board Appreciation Month.

V. Consent Agenda

a. Accept minutes of December 17, 2020 Regular Meeting

Motion made to approve the December 17, 2020 Regular Meeting minutes as presented by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Buetow Aye
Nelson Aye
Wright Aye

VI. Correspondence

Board President Howard Buetow shared information around an email he received from Thera pertaining to Board gifts that had been delivered and how to disburse them.

VII. Old Business

a. Discussion Items: None

- b. Action Items: None

VIII. New Business

- a. Discussion Items

i. Superintendent's Report – Madeline Black

Superintendent Madeline Black shared information with the board around students returning to the academy in small numbers. All protocols are in place for student and staff safety. We are following all the safety mandates. We are excited about a new feature that has been added to HERO which will have the student schedules in a streamlined fashion. Our students have been doing well in the Micro School program. Additional conversation was held around the streamlining of the student schedules and the benefit of this as students begin returning to the building. We have begun Winter testing and we will be sharing this data with the board once it has been made available to us. The Gears Grant has been approved for our school. We are working with a marketing company which is helping us with trying to increase our enrollment at the Flint Campus. We are going to put a focus on dual enrollment using some of our title funds. Board President Howard Buetow asked if the dual enrollment would be with the local colleges? Ms. Black indicated students could also attend college virtually.

ii. Director's Report – Shelly Smith

Flint Director Shelly Smith shared information with the Board around enrollment, attendance, and credit attainment and provided the Board with this information virtually. The required two-way interaction was met for December. Our enrollment went down due to one graduate and five students that we were unable to locate. Current enrollment is 83. Ms. Black indicated we are working with the Tree of Life program which offers supports/interventions to our students. Credit attainment for December was lower due to the holiday. We are working with our Juniors and Seniors who are not attending the Micro School.

Students are planning a trip to the former Marygrove College which is offering a Stem Genius Program. Performance Series Testing has begun for our students. Board President Howard Buetow inquired as to when student would be returning and if they seem excited to return? Ms. Black and Ms. Smith indicated small groups will be returning in February and students do seem excited to be returning.

Points of Pride:

1. 73% of our researchers have completed the state requirement of career planning. Xello continues to be a good resource for the researchers.
2. We have 6 seniors who all need 2 or less credits to graduate.
3. Siobhan Lambert and Mark Faupel are both working on a summer program to increase reading and math levels.

iii. Academic Goals and Progress Report – Madeline Black

iv. December 2020 Financial Reports – Thea Daniels

Thea Daniels shared information with the board around the December 2020 Financial Reports and provided the board with this information prior to the meeting and virtually during the meeting. Board President Howard Buetow wanted to point out items that are overbudget which should be adjusted with the next budget adjustment. Ms. Daniels shared the budget amendment should be presented to the board at the February meeting.

v. Discuss Monthly ECLP Board Resolution

Board President Buetow shared the ECLP Board Resolution with the board. Content expectations were met, and there will be an instructional delivery change from last month which will allow for a small group of students to return to the building during February.

- vi. Training – Board President Howard Buetow indicated he will contact the attorney and inquire on Board training opportunities. Board Member Angela Nelson asked if any members had watched the video (link) that she shared last month? The members indicated they had not watched the video.

b. Action Items

i. Accept December 2020 Financial Report

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

Roll Call Vote

Buetow __Aye__
Nelson __Aye__
Wright __Aye__

ii. Approve Monthly ECLP Board Resolution

Motion made to approve the Monthly ECLP Board Resolution as presented by Lori Wright/Seconded by Angela Nelson. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Buetow __Aye__
Nelson __Aye__
Wright __Aye__

IX. LSSU Authorizer Liaison Report-Melissa Weisberger.

Lake Superior State University Liaison Melissa Weisberger shared information around the extension of virtual board meetings through March 31, 2021 as we are hoping to begin meeting face-to-face after that time. However, those with medical conditions will be permitted to attend virtually via Zoom through the end of December 2021. The Governor has asked for in person learning to return to the schools by March 1, 2021. No news on the M-Step waiver and we are still waiting on information on this. The school will need to have their progress towards goals posted on the website by February 1st. If records are submitted to Julie Hopper by January 22,

2021, she will put it together for you. Angie Irwin is doing a Board webinar on February 3rd at 6:00 pm pertaining to Board Culture. If any Board member is interested, please let Melissa know and she will send you the link. The Lake Superior State Board meeting will be held tomorrow morning and we hope to confirm the additional two years on your three-year contract. It is Board Appreciation Month and we greatly appreciate your support. We sent each of the Board Members a gift bag. Ms. Weisburger shared the items that are in the gift bag virtually. Please continue to look out for two additional Board Members to join the team.

X. Board Committee Reports/Comments - None

XI. Announcement - None

XII. Call to the Public - None

XIII. Adjournment at 7:08 pm

Motion made to adjourn at 7:08 pm by Angela Nelson/Seconded by Lori Wright. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Approved unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Buetow _Aye____
Nelson _Aye____
Wright _Aye____

Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of January 21, 2021 Regular meeting respectfully submitted,

Lori Wright

Board Secretary

02/22/2021

Date

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