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Approved minutes of May 18, 2023 Regular Meeting respectfully submitted,

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Board Meeting Minutes

W-A-Y Academy Flint

(Regular Board Meeting)

Date: May 18, 2023

Members present: Howard Buetow, Lori Wright, Angela Izzo, Kelli Glenn (via zoom)

Others present Shelli Smith, Isaiah Pettway, Trena Braswell, Alexandra Guzman, Madeline Black (via zoom), Sherry Lynem, Venneta Tucker and Mr. Sanford

Meeting Called to Order @ 6:31 pm

Roll Call Attendance

Howard Buetow (Genesee County)- Present

Lori Wright (Genesee County)- Present

Kelli Glenn (Washtenaw County)-Via zoom

Angela Izzo (Genesee County)- Present

Approval of the Agenda

- Motion moved by Lori Wright/2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Lori Wright (Y) Howard Buetow (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y). Motion carries.

Call to the Public:

- Read by Howard Buetow-no public present or commenting.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of April 20th, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- Motioned by Lori Wright /2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Lori Wright (Y) Howard Buetow (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y). Motion carries.

Correspondence

- None

Old Business

- None

New Business

Discussion Items

Educational Service Providers Report

- **Superintendent's Report**
Isaiah Pettway shared the following:

Program Updates (W-A-Y Programs)

- Sherry Lynem was introduced as the new Finance Director for WAY Program.

Enrollment/Recruitment/Marketing

- WAY Academy Flint has partnered with organizations within the community to participate in events.
- Re Enrollment period has been completed. All students are returning except for two students.
- Open Enrollment period has begun. There has been a significant number of students showing interest to attend the next school year.
- The enrollment goal for next school year has been set for 100 students.
- For Marketing and Recruiting director Shelly Smith & the team have started planning in attending community events and enrollment fairs around the city.
- The plan is to continue working with the marketing consultant and do some of the same enrollment events as before and plan to participate in new events as well. Andrell Williams had really shown support with the marketing plan, the social media training, and graphics.

Academic Updates

- State testing has been completed they are going to start the NWEA test which is considered a benchmark test. This will go on until the end of May. The comparative data will be gathered and presented to the board at the May meeting.
- Benchmark testing is required by LSSU.

Personnel Updates

- None
- There has always been one vacancy that they are looking into filling this year. The WAY Flint team has a teacher certified in every subject except for science. They hope to find someone to join the team.

LSSU Legislative Authorizer Updates

- The only legislative update is they are waiting to hear from the governor and the Michigan Finance Legislature to determine what the per pupil allowance will be.
- The only two outstanding things for reauthorization to be finalized is the lease and ESP agreement.

Superintendent Highlights

- Ms. Shelly Smith attended a conference and Supt. Pettway and Ms. Braswell were on campus to cover Ms. Shelly Smiths absence. They were able to witness and be a part of the celebration when a students completes 100% and is ready to graduate.
- Graduation is June 8th. 2023 at 6pm at the Flint Public Library.
- There are 15 total students who have completed and will participate in the ceremony.
- Working through the process of the proposed budget for next year. The goal is to have it ready to present to the board by the Budget Hearing next month in the June meeting.
- Authorizer awarded WAY Academy Flint Campus a grant to offset cost to improve the security system for the bell and phone system.

Director's Report

Ms. Smith shared the following:

- Enrollment this month was at 83 students. There were 4 students that dropped due to family issues.
- Total credit researchers earned in April was 43.34. The drop in credit attainment was expected due to state testing that occurred the entire month of April.
- Average credit attainment was 0.51 which was still above the expected 0.50 average credit attainment.

Points of Pride:

- State testing was completed.
- Susan Wagner and Shelly Smith attended the Michigan Alternative Education Organization Conference in Traverse City.
- With the drop of the online classes, their overall attendance has improved from 54% to 78%.
- 93% of students have completed the NWEA testing.
- 35 Students received the perfect attendance award this month.

Treasurers Report

Director of Finance Sherry Lynem shared the following April 2023 Financial reports:

- State Aid Payment Received \$87,692.085
- Monies Owed to WAY Program as of March 31, 2023 \$306,037.65
- Monies Transferred \$35,000.00
- Accounts Payable as of April 30, 2023 \$324,995.35
- Payroll Liabilities was \$48,603.45
- Request for transfer in the amount of \$80,000.00 for the month of April.
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2022-2023 Budget Amendment

Director of Finance Sherry Lynem shared the following April 2023 Financial reports:

- The current budget amendment is as current and accurate as possible.
- There was no deficit at the end of the year.
- The plan is to have the final 22-23 Budget Amendment presented at the June Board Meeting with the Proposed Budget 2023-2024.
- Total Revenues \$1,408,635.00
- Total to Appropriate \$1,351, 446.00
- Total Expenditures \$1,349,094.00
- Anticipated Revenues over Expenditures for 2022-2023 \$59,549.00
- Projected June 30th, 2022 Fund Balance \$2,352.00
- Superintendent Isiah Pettway shared that this amendment still addresses the existing deficit that was in place as of last year. At the end of this year the deficit will be eliminated.

State Aid Note Borrowing

Supt. Isaiah Pettway shared the following:

- WAY Academy will be applying this year for the state aid note borrowing. They have started preparing all the resolutions necessary to have them signed by the board.
- The purpose is to borrow the funds to cover the operating expenses from July to October. These are the months that they don't receive state aid payments.

Training

- Board Member Lori Wright mentioned she is halfway through one training.
- Supt. Pettway proposed that the board sets up a date where they can arrive 30 min before the board meeting and watch a 30-minute training together. This can be set up at 4 different board meetings to be able to get those two hours of training out of the way.

Gas Cards

Board President Howard shared the following:

- They would like to apply for funds to offset the mileage for some board members that live far.
- The purpose is to have Kelli Glenn attend the annual board meeting in person and having a gas card for her available to attend in June.
- Supt. Isaiah Pettway shared the IRS mileage recommended reimbursement rate 0.655. It is 135 miles roundtrip for a total \$89.10.

Action Items

Approval to Accept Financials for April 2023

- Motioned by Lori Wright/2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Howard Buetow (Y) Lori Wright (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y)
Motion carries.

2022-2023 Budget Amendment

- Motioned by Lori Wright/2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Howard Buetow (Y) Lori Wright (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y)
Motion carries.

Approve Purchase of Gas Cards for Kelli Glenn

- Motioned by Lori Wright/2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Howard Buetow (Y) Lori Wright (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y)
Motion carries.

LSSU Liaison Updates

Melissa Weisberger was absent.

Board Committee Reports/Comments

- **Policy Report:** None

Announcements

- Board President Howard reminded everyone that it has been the board president for 10 years. His term will be up in a year and he would not like to be the Board President the last year of him serving on the board. He mentioned his son is out of assisted living now and is doing much better. He would like to spend more time with him and in Florida.
- Graduation is June 8th, 2023 at the Flint Public Library at 6 pm.
- Next Board Meeting will be on June 22, 2023 at 6:30 pm

Call to the Public-No public present/no public comments

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn: Lori Wright / 2nd by Angela Izzo
- Roll Call Vote: Lori Wright (Y) Howard Beutow (Y) Angela Izzo (Y) Kelli Glenn (Y).
Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm

Minutes submitted by: Alexandra Guzman