

W-A-Y Academy Detroit
(Widening Advancements for Youth)
8701 W. Vernor Highway, Detroit, MI 48209
Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
Monday, February 22, 2016
5:30 p.m.

Minutes

I. Call to Order by the President at 5:34 p.m.

Roll Call:

Bauer X

Croxton X

Irwin X

LeRoy Excused

Murray Excused

Naylor X

Wong X

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion made to approve the agenda as presented by Pam Wong/Seconded by Glenn Croxton.
Passed unanimously.

III. Call to the Public

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of W-A-Y Academy in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. We now invite members of the public to address the Board and share any thoughts or concerns regarding agenda items only.
No comments offered.

Researcher CJ Naylor from West Campus wanted to address the board about attending the France trip as he indicated that information was not made available to him. He indicated that no information was posted at West Campus regarding the trip. Ms. Elizabeth Bauer indicated that someone would get back with C.J.

IV. Presentation by Researchers and Staff

Kyalamboka Brown shared HERO demonstration with Board.

V. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting, January 25, 2016

Motion made to approve minutes from Regular Meeting on January 25, 2016 by Jacquelyn Naylor/Seconded by Glenn Croxton. Passed unanimously.

VI. Educational Service Provider's Report

Superintendent/Director's Report: (see also written reports on secure site)

Compliance

MCIR report has been submitted and required compliance was met – West 96% & Southwest 97%

Michigan Highly Qualified form is complete at 100%

Testing is ongoing and upcoming dates will be scheduled.

Academics

Count Day results from February 10, 2016 (SW and West) – update current enrollment
236 reported on count day at Southwest (two-way communication needs to be reported
131 reported on count day at West

PD was held for Directors prior to count day, providing them with complete/updated information needed to achieve a successful count.

Alex Cintron shared information around credit attainment meeting, which was held with Team Leaders.

Points of Pride (CAPP)

Alex Cintron shared on academic language sheet, which he shared with academy directors. This information was shared with lab expert staff to assist them with using academic language on researcher success plans.

Looking at 37 potential graduates total for June 2016. We are planning either June 15th or 16th as our next graduation date.

Amelia Duran has been working with 35 researchers to assist them with their FASFA. Urban Neighborhood Initiative event scheduled for Saturday. Southwest Solutions is also assisting with this event. We are hoping to use the Southwest Facility.

Experiencia will be closing and has offered WAY the opportunity to attend their recruitment fair in an effort to recruit some of their students.

Educational Tour Update – 12 students are planning to attend the tour. This information will be presented by Ashley Fraley on behalf of the students.

Da'Lon Whigham shared an update on bottled water collection that has been ongoing at West Campus. 20 Cases have been collected thus far. Board asked if researchers would be allowed to attend the delivery. Mr. Whigham has a fraternity (Omega Psi Phi) he's working with, and they plan to donate water as well. The fraternity will be delivering the water to Mt. Herman Baptist Church on behalf of WAY Academy West Campus. Unfortunately, it doesn't appear that our researchers will be able to assist with the water delivery. Mr. Whigham indicated that he would share an update at the next board meeting regarding Omega Psi Phi's plans to mentor West Campus students.

Pam Wong wanted to discuss social media and the departure of Bethany Rayl from WAY Program. Ms. Wong shared that she would prefer to have been provided this information prior

to finding this out on LinkedIn. Board shared they would like to be informed if any key staff members leave the organization. Alex addressed the board indicating that Ms. Rayl had made the decision to accept a position outside of WAY. However, Ms. Rayl has indicated her commitment to WAY and would still be working with us on a contractual basis. Board Members would also like to be informed of new hires in administrative positions.

Proposed Michigan Department of Education, Office of Field Services, Site Visit to the Southwest Campus, Friday, March 11, 2016, 10:00 a.m. – 12 Noon by Michael Radke, Director, and Linda Harrington, Educational Consultant. Board President Elizabeth Bauer asked if there is any new information to share re plans for their visit? None was provided.

VII. LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report - Reginald Kirkland

Reginald Kirkland spoke to Board and shared regarding staff resignation. He suggested if a staff member should resign, that a resignation letter be forwarded to the Board President.

Refer to RECON report to assist with audits that will be scheduled in the near future.

VIII. Old Business

A. Discussion Items

Presentation on trip to France with EF

Ashley Fraley spoke on France trip which is scheduled to be held May 15 -22, 2016. Ms. Fraley also shared that information pertaining to the trip had been provided to both West and Flint Campus sites. Ms. Fraley indicated that she didn't receive any response/interest from either West or Flint Campus sites. Board shared they were not happy to hear about West Campus not being included for this upcoming event. Ms. Bauer asked about additional funding needed for these students to attend this trip. Board held discussion around the lack of Board funds that are available, and therefore the Board would be unable to provide assistance to the students attending the trip. President Bauer noted that researchers that have participated in overseas trips before had used scholarships to fund the trip. Board indicated they would request the Superintendent present to the board any future trips, etc. Board members stated that no District or Title Funds should be used to fund this trip.

It was noted that the Academy budget has a line item for dual enrollment and that any researchers choosing to participate in the dual enrollment option with Eastern Oregon University would have the \$250 tuition covered by the Academy.

Urban Neighborhood Initiative use of building

Group wants to use building and has provided certificate of liability insurance.

B. Action Items

Support for EF trip - Board President asked if any board member wanted to make a motion to approve student financial support for the EF trip? None chose to do so. President Bauer stated the consensus was that the Board did not choose to use \$3540 from its reserves for this trip.

Support for use of Southwest venue by Urban Neighborhood Initiative

Motion made to approve use of building by Patrick Irwin/Seconded by Pam Wong. Passed unanimously.

IX. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

Board member reimbursement requests

Mrs. Naylor submitted a request for mileage reimbursement in the amount of \$75.67.

B. Action Items:

Approve Board reimbursement requests

Motion to approve \$75.67 reimbursement to Mrs. Naylor made by Glenn Croxton/Seconded by Pam Wong. Passed unanimously.

X. Board Committee Reports/Comments/Action

A. Finance Committee:

Monthly Financial Report:

Kelli Glenn shared the monthly financial report with the board. Ms. Bauer shared that WAY team has provided MFS with information that has been required. The Academy is still waiting to receive final payment from MFS.

Motion made to accept the financial report subject to audit by Patrick Irwin/Seconded by Glenn Croxton. Passed unanimously.

B. Nominating Committee Report:

Board members with terms ending 2016: Croxton, Bauer, Murray

Applications from Elizabeth Bauer and Glenn Croxton have been delivered to LSSU Liaison Kirkland. Application from Michael Murray has been requested by the Nominating Committee Chairperson.

XI. Announcements:

Next Regularly Scheduled Board meeting: Monday, March 21, 2016

W-A-Y Academy, Detroit **West Campus**, 19321 W. Chicago Ave., Detroit, MI 48228

XII. Call to the Public

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Mrs. Stanley spoke to the board regarding the upcoming Educational Tour and said this information had previously been shared with the board. President Bauer noted that no written proposal had been received prior to the January 25, 2016 meeting and that a letter from Mrs. Stanley and the spreadsheet regarding costs that were submitted after that meeting constituted the only proposal received by the Board. President Bauer independently researched the EF program and Eastern Oregon University's dual enrollment requirements and shared her findings with the Board prior to the February 22, 2016 meeting.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn by Patrick Irwin/Seconded by Pam Wong. Passed unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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