

W-A-Y Academy Detroit
(Widening Advancements for Youth)
8701 West Vernor Highway, Detroit, MI 48209
**Note: February 26, 2018 Regular Meeting will be held at
West Campus, 19321 W. Chicago., Detroit, MI 48228**
Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
February 26, 2018
5:30 p.m.

Financial Meeting Scheduled to begin at 5:15 p.m.
Minutes

I. Call to Order by the President at 5:44 pm

Roll Call:

Murray X

Naylor Absent

Torres X

Bell Absent

Flanagan X

II. Approval of Agenda

Michael Murray requested adding the Lusk & Albertson Invoice 11036 under New Business Discussion and Action Items.

Michael Murray requested to add nomination of Renee Torres board member extension under New Business Discussion and Action Items.

Michael Murray requested removal of Item #1 & #2 under Old Business Discussion and Action Items.

Motion made to approve the agenda as amended by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. 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.

None.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting, January 22, 2018

Motion made to approve minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2018 by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously

V. Educational Service Provider's Report /Superintendent/Director's Report

Ms. Hernandez shared on MIBLSI (Michigan Integrated Behavior and Learning Support System Initiative) grant that WAY Academy applied for. This grant will provide training to staff around positive behavior. We had our follow-up call last week. We are anxious to get this training started with our staff.

February 14th Count day - 111 researchers at West, 197 at Southwest and 43 at East.

Ms. Hernandez shared a data dashboard with the board. January - Southwest 57.87 total credits earned. Average is .32 for researcher. Lab attendance for Southwest: MS had 49%, and HS had 40%. West Campus: 47.57 total HS credits. MS was 5.29 total credits earned. Lab attendance for West: HS had 29%, and MS had 63%. East Campus: .59 total credit attainment. Board requested that Jennifer Hernandez post the data dashboards on the board website.

East: Students met their goals. Seven are participating in the Aleks math program. This program assists those who are behind or struggling in math. We will be working on improving their math scores. Board requested this information be placed on the website.

Director of East Campus was interviewed by Detroit Free Press recently. Ms. Hernandez shared the article with the board and held additional conversation around this. Ms. Hernandez shared with a parent that we'd like to implement some of our programs at our West and Southwest campus sites. Ms. Hernandez shared that this information will be posted on the website. Board President Michael Murray requested that Ms. Hernandez share information pertaining to the Drive One program with the parent attending the board meeting. Ms. Hernandez shared this information verbally to the parent and board.

West Campus: On February 8th, 14 researchers went on an Eastern Michigan University college tour.

West Campus will be attending a CMU college tour on February 27, 2018. (Our Pretty Brown Girls will be meeting and having lunch with the Pretty Brown Girls from CMU during this tour)

12 researchers and parents recently held a FASFA night at West Campus. Researchers completed college applications.

Title I parent meeting recently held. Six parents attended the function. One of our teachers, Mr. Bolduc spoke to parents about the Aleks math program and shared how the program is helping researchers based on their skill level. Training on the HERO parent portal was provided as well.

Southwest: Held a Resource Fair recently and invited community partners to present from a table information about their organization, and what they do.

Researchers are working with Youth Energy Squad organization and have named themselves "Green Hope". We are currently looking for a community partner to donate land so we can create a small community garden and earn some Biology, Math and General Science while planting and growing food for families in the neighborhood.

Parent attending the board meeting suggested that the board meetings be posted in the school newsletters that are sent home to parents.

LSSU Winter Personnel Verification Summary – WAY Academy Detroit

Ms. Hernandez shared on the recent Winter Personnel Verification Summary. Board asked for clarification on the “Unprofessional Conduct form”, which Michelle Sarkody and Jennifer Hernandez provided.

LSSU RECON Management Group Review – WAY Academy Detroit

West Campus came back with a couple of findings. One classroom needed a flag in the room, which has been addressed. The other finding was that the trash receptacle wasn't in an enclosed area.

Southwest came back with a couple of findings. Ahera letter was not kept on file at the school, and is currently on file. They had one flag violation that requested a flag on the city street corner.

VI. LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report - Garnet Green – LSSU representative

Garnet Green shared that he will comment as necessary as agenda items are discussed.

VII. Old Business

A. Discussion Items

1. East Campus Lease – Removed from Agenda
2. Due Diligence Lease Questionnaire – Removed from Agenda

B. Action Items

1. Approve East Campus Lease and Signature – Removed from Agenda
2. Approve Due Diligence Lease Questionnaire – Removed from Agenda

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Discussion on taking formal action to recognize the board is currently a five-member board.

Board held discussion on taking action to reduce board member size from seven to five.

2. Board member Brenda Bell's resignation letter
3. Fall 2017 Board Policies

Ms. Hernandez shared and discussed this information with the board and shared a handout.

4. February 2018 Budget Amendment

Kelli Glenn shared the February 2018 Budget information with the board. A handout was provided to the board.

5. Future site for West Campus (Paul Fershee)

6. Lusk Albertson Invoice

Ms. Glenn shared the Lusk Albertson invoice with the board. Total due for the invoice is \$8025.50. This is pertaining to the reauthorization process.

7. Nomination of Renee Torres board member extension

B. Action Items:

1. Approve formal action to recognize board as a five-member board.

Motion made to approve resolution authorizing a reduction from a seven-member board to a five-member board by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. Passed unanimously.

2. Accept board member Brenda Bell's resignation letter

Motion made to accept board member Brenda Bell's resignation letter dated January 25, 2017 by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. Passed unanimously.

3. Approve Fall 2017 Board Policies

Motion made to approve the Fall 2017 Board Policies as presented by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously.

4. Approve February 2018 Budget Amendment

Motion made to approve the February 2018 Budget Amendment as presented by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously

5. Approval of Lusk Albertson Invoice 11036

Motion made to approve the Lusk & Albertson Invoice 11036 in the amount of \$ 8025.50 by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Renee Torres to go into closed session/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. Passed unanimously.

Motion made to go back to open session by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously.

6. Approval of payment to Architect for building inspection – N/A

7. Approval of Renee Torres board member extension

Motion made to approve Renee Torres board member extension by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Michael Murray. Passed unanimously.

IX. Board Committee Reports/Comments/Action

Finance Committee:

A. Discussion Items:

1. Monthly Financial Report – January 2018 – accept subject to audit

Kelli Glenn shared this information with the board and provided a handout.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept January 2018 Monthly Financial Report – accept subject to audit

Motion made to accept the January 2018 Monthly Financial Report as presented by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously.

X. Announcements:

Next Regularly Scheduled Board meeting will be: Monday, March 19, 2018 at W-A-Y Academy Detroit,
Southwest Campus, 8701 W. Vernor Hwy., Detroit, MI 48209

XI. Call to the Public

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Parent attending the board meeting spoke on upcoming event at Cobo. Parent suggested that perhaps the school could offer tickets for future events to send students/parents who are doing well academically to attend the future events.

XII. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn at 6:49 pm by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.

Minutes of all Board of Director's meetings are available after approval by the Board and will be posted on the W-A-Y Academy Detroit web site, www.wayprogram.net. Public notice of this meeting was posted as required by the Open Meetings Act.