

W-A-Y Academy Detroit  
(Widening Advancements for Youth)  
19321 West Chicago, Detroit, MI 48228  
**Note: September 17, 2019, Regular Meeting will be held at  
19321 W. Chicago, Detroit, MI 48228**

Board of Directors' Regular Meeting  
September 17, 2019  
6:00 p.m.

Minutes

I. Call to Order by the President at 6:02

Roll Call:

Murray -   X  

Chavez-Wazeerud-Din   Absent  

Torres   X  

Flanagan   X  

II. Approval of Agenda - Amend agenda adding the following:

Under Educational Service Provider's Report add: "b. Schoolcraft Proposal"

Under Board Committee Reports/Finance Committee add:

Discussion Item #2 Michael Murray Expense Report from LSSU Retreat, and #3 Dickinson Wright Invoice  
1403899

Action Item #3 Approve Dickinson Wright Invoice 1403899

Under New Business add:

Discussion Item #C East Campus Resolution

Action Item #C Approval of East Campus Resolution (Roll Call Vote)

Motion made to approve the September 17, 2019 Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. 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, August 20, 2019

Motion made to approve the August 20, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes by Sheila Flanagan /Seconded by Renee Torres . All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

V. Educational Service Provider's Report /Superintendent/Director's Report  
a. 2018/2019 Testing Data Report"

Southwest Campus Director Yolanda Brown-Spidell shared information on the campus pertaining to August enrollment, attendance and credit attainment. Enrollment at end of August is 129. As of today, we have 164 students enrolled. Excited for the increase due to open house functions that were held at the school. School is now serving grades 6-12. We have enrolled our first 6<sup>th</sup> grader. Enrollment is higher for High School researchers. Credit attainment for Middle School on average was at .26 credits per month. Credit attainment for High School on average was .78 credits per month. Attendance is 32% for Middle School and 31% for High School for August. Points of Pride: Welcoming new Director, new Special Education teacher, received over 100 leads due to open houses, 5 students have completed almost 50% of their Algebra class with the Title I Math Specialist.

West Campus Director Charles Hyman shared information on the campus with the board pertaining to August enrollment, attendance and credit attainment. Enrollment for August was 133. Our goal is to enroll 180 students for the 2019/20 school year. We are currently at 157 students enrolled. At the end of August, we marketed for enrollment at three car shows. Enrollment is higher for High School students. Monthly overall credits earned was .245 during the month of August. Those reaching their credit attainment during the summer will be rewarded with attendance to an upcoming circus. Attendance for August was at 17% for Middle School and 26% for High School.

Points of Pride: Students enjoyed working during summer break for the STEAM Program, Grow Detroit Young Talent, learning various skills & talents at the St. Suzanne Community Center. We added new members to our staff (Two paraprofessionals and one ELA teacher). WAY students from West Campus enjoyed the three car shows and open houses. Superintendent Black shared that Mr. Hyman is now the Director of West Campus. He passed his final certification test.

Superintendent Black shared on a couple marketing initiatives: Flier Mike will be distributing fliers in the Southwest community. The Facebook page is working well and is updated on a regular basis.

Superintendent Black shared information on the 2018/19 Testing Data Report and shared a presentation with the board. Ms. Black explained how the testing process works for the campus sites. Performance Series testing shows growth as 42% met their target. M-Step, PSAT, SAT, are some of the tests that are used in our campus sites. She also shared on upcoming PD's for staff that will be paid by utilizing grant monies. Ms. Black shared she would update and share this information again with the board in the Spring of 2020.

**\*\*Note, after ESP Report, board to go into closed session to discuss East Campus\*\***

b. Schoolcraft Proposal - Motion to go into closed session by Michael Murray/seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Motion to return into open session by Michael Murray/seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

VI. LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report - Garnet Green – LSSU representative - Not in attendance.

VII. Old Business

None.

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

a. Board Meeting Calendar Revision

A copy of the revised board meeting calendar was provided to the board for review.

b. 2019 Spring Board Policies

Superintendent Black shared information with the board around the 2019 Spring Board Policies and provided them with information around the updates.

c. East Campus Resolution – Closed session discussion

B. Action Items:

a. Approval of Revised Board Meeting Calendar

Motion made to approve the Revised Board Meeting Calendar as presented by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Michael Murray. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

b. Approval of Spring 2019 Board Policy Updates

Motion made to approve the Spring 2019 Board Policy Updates as presented by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

c. Approval of East Campus Resolution (Roll Call Vote)

Motion made to approve the East Campus Resolution as presented by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Murray\_\_X\_\_

Torres\_\_X\_\_

Flanagan\_\_X\_\_

Wazeerud-Din\_\_Absent\_\_

IX. Board Committee Reports/Comments/Action

Finance Committee:

A. Discussion Items:

1. Monthly Financial Report –August 2019– accept subject to audit

Kelli Glenn shared on the food service review that was recently held with zero findings. Ms. Glenn shared information on the monthly financial report for August 2019. She had previously provided the board with the handout for review. Board Member Sheila Flanagan inquired on a general journal entry which Ms. Glenn explained to her. Board member Sheila Flanagan inquired as to when the Audit report would be presented. Ms. Glenn indicated it will be presented at the October board meeting.

2. Expense Report

Board President Michael Murray attended the recent Lake Superior State University board retreat and is requesting a reimbursement for his expense report in the amount of \$ 648.28.

3. Dickinson Wright Invoice 1403899

Ms. Glenn shared information on the Dickinson Wright Invoice in the amount of \$1379.20 and indicated the work performed was pertaining to the state aid note.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept August 2019 Monthly Financial Report – accept subject to audit

Motion made to accept the August 2019 Monthly Financial Report as presented by Sheila Flanagan/Seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

2. Approval of Expense Report

Motion made to approve Michael Murray's LSSU Board Retreat Expense Report in the amount of \$ 648.28 as presented by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

3. Approve Dickinson Wright Invoice 1403899

Motion made to approve Dickinson Wright Invoice 1403899 in the amount of \$1379.20 as presented by Renee Torres/Seconded by Shelia Flanagan. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

X. Announcements:

Next Regularly Scheduled Board meeting: Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at W-A-Y Academy Detroit, SW Campus, 8701 W. Vernor, Detroit, MI 48209

XI. 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. Comments should only be addressed to the person chairing this meeting, and per Board policy should be no longer than three minutes.

None.

## XII. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn at 7:22 pm by Renee Torres/Seconded by Sheila Flanagan. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 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](http://www.wayprogram.net). Public notice of this meeting was posted as required by the Open Meetings Act.

**Minutes Certification:**

Approved minutes of September 17, 2019 regular meeting  
respectfully submitted,

Sheik Hassan  
Board Secretary

10-15-2019  
Date