

W-A-Y Academy Detroit
(Widening Advancements for Youth)
8701 W. Vernor, Detroit, MI 48209
**Note: February 18, 2020, Regular Meeting will be held at
8701 W. Vernor, Detroit, MI. 48228**

Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
February 18, 2020
6:00 p.m.

Minutes

I. Call to Order by the President at 6:00 pm

Roll Call:

Murray X

Chavez-Wazeerud-Din X

Torres X

Flanagan Excused

Moesner Absent

II. Approval of Agenda

Michael Murray requested adding items under New Business Discussion Items #1. Schoolcraft Bid Results and #2. Merz Project Management, and Action Items #1 Award Bid Proposal & #2 Approve Merz as Project Manager

Motion made to approve the February 18, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda as amended by Laura Chavez/Seconded by Renee Torres. 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, January 21, 2020

Motion made to approve the January 21, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes by Renee Torres/Seconded by Michael Murray. Two members voted with Aye and one abstained from voting. Motion approved.

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

Superintendent Black shared on PD's held recently. She also provided the board with a handout pertaining to enrollment, attendance and credit attainment for both Southwest and West. Superintendent Black shared a credit attainment report with the board which compared previous school years. The report shows that credit attainment has been improved since last year. Board President Murray asked about zero attendance students. Superintendent Black shared that she had reviewed the virtual students and zero attendance students and provided the board with this information. Additional information was shared around interventions in place to improve student attendance.

Board President Murray requested a game plan/process to be created showing the board interventions that are in place which assist our students with staying on track and continue to attain credit. Also noting when do we need to recommend the students who are not succeeding to leave our school and go to another program? Board President Murray suggested that we work with some of our "good" teachers and reviewing our budget on finding ways to keep them on board (teacher retention). He indicated that if we look at providing our students with teacher stability, they may want to continue with the program longer. Superintendent Black indicated she would work on a process of sharing out with the board on the credit attainment/exited students on a monthly basis and share on interventions.

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

Garnet Green shared the following with the board:

Upcoming Board Development Webinar will be held on 4/27/20 pertaining to Old/New Business

Upcoming Board Webinar will be held on 5/13/20 pertaining to Closing the Meeting and Next Meeting Steps

Discussion on swearing Board Member Patricia Moesner into her own seat

Discussion around Trustee/Board Member Flanagan's reappointment application which is due to be returned to LSSU by March 30

VII. Old Business

A. Monthly Campus Update – Addressed under V. Educational Service Provider's Report/Superintendent/Director's Report

1. Credits Achieved
2. Attendance
3. Number of students not achieving half the credits for the month
4. Students not achieving credit

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Schoolcraft Bid Results

Paul Fershee shared information around the Schoolcraft Bid Results with the board and provided them with information to review. Board held additional conversation around the bid choices and appreciated reference information which was shared.

2. Merz Project Management

Paul Fershee shared information around Merz Project Management with the board and provided them with information around this. Board President Murray inquired on the payback of expenses. Ms. Glenn shared that we will have cheaper rent and should show significant cost saving in rent and thought payback would occur within 3-5 years. Board President Murray inquired on when the building would be ready? Mr. Fershee indicated the building should be ready by July 1, 2020. Board Member Renee Torres inquired on how to protect the agreement that we will with the church so that we don't run into any issues (i.e...church wanting to use the building)? Ms. Glenn and Mr. Fershee shared this would be a straight lease and the church would need permission from the board to use the facility during the evening.

B. Action Items:

1. Award Bid Proposal

Motion made to award Bid proposal to Evangelista as presented by Renee Torres/Seconded by Laura Chavez. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

2. Approve Merz as Project Manager

Motion made to approve Merz as Project Manager as presented by Laura Chavez/Seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

IX. Board Committee Reports/Comments/Action

Finance Committee:

A. Discussion Items:

1. Monthly Financial Report –January 2020– accept subject to audit

Ms. Kelli Glenn shared information on the January 2020 financial report and had previously provided the board with a handout.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept January 2020 Monthly Financial Report – accept subject to audit

Motion made to accept the January 2020 Monthly Financial Report as presented by Laura Chavez/Seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

X. Announcements:

Next Regularly Scheduled Board meeting will be: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at W-A-Y Academy Detroit, West Campus, 19321 W. Chicago, Detroit, MI. 48228

Board Member Renee Torres indicated she will not be in attendance at the March meeting, and Board President Michael Murray indicated that he may not be in attendance as well.

XI. Call to the Public

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None.

XII. Adjournment at 6:37 pm

Motion made to adjourn at 6:37 pm by Laura Chavez/Seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

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Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of February 18, 2020 Regular meeting respectfully submitted,

Sheila Flanagan

Board Secretary

03/26/2020

Date

Signature Certificate

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