

W-A-Y Academy Detroit
(Widening Advancements for Youth)
8701 W. Vernor Highway
Detroit, MI 48209

Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
June 15, 2021
6:00 pm
Minutes

- I. Call to order by President at 6:04 pm
Roll Call:
Murray___X___
Chavez-Wazeerud-Din___X___
Torres___X___
Flanagan___Excused___
Moesner___X___
- II. Approval of Agenda – Superintendent Black asked Board President Murray to amend the agenda correcting Item X. "Announcements" - noting next board meeting to be held on 7/20/21.

Motion made to approve the June 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda as presented by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din/Seconded by Renee Torres. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Oath of Office taken: Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din, and Danielle Bascomb

- 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.

Superintendent Madeline Black shared introduction of Southwest Program Coordinator Alexandra Guzman. Ms. Guzman shared her background information with the board and her passion for working in the Southwest community. Ms. Black introduced Isaiah Pettway who is now serving as WAY Program Charter School Director. Mr. Pettway shared his background information with the board and his passion for working in education. Ms. Black shared that her last official day serving as superintendent will be Friday, June 18, 2021. Ms. Black indicated that WAY is currently searching for a replacement for the superintendent position.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting, May 18, 2021

Motion made to approve the May 18, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented by Patricia Moesner/Seconded by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Dun. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

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

Superintendent Black shared information which had been previously provided to the board portal around Southwest and West Campus sites. She shared on recent activities that had been held at the schools. Graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 17, 2021. MicroSchool is going well, and students are doing well in the school. Ms. Black shared information around attendance at West Campus. The West Campus staff will be provided additional training, and we will be offering incentives for student attendance. Ms. Black shared information around special education teachers that will be hired for the fall school year.

VI. LSSU Authorizer's Liaison Report

Lake Superior State University Liaison Garnet Green shared information around the new board member, Danielle Bascomb. Ms. Bascomb will be allowed to vote once current board member (Renee Torres) has stepped down.

Mr. Green indicated that the Mid-year Reports need to be on website, which Superintendent Black confirmed they are currently online.

Mr. Green shared information from the Wayne County Health Department information around extension of virtual board meetings until Dec 31, 2021.

As we gear up for reauthorization, Mr. Green shared that Mr. Pettway should be brought up to speed around the reauthorization process. Mr. Green indicated that Mr. Pettway should work with Rich Klemm on this as well.

Lake Superior State University wanted to thank Madeline Black and Renee Torres for their service. Both will be missed dearly.

VII. Old Business

A. Discussion Items: None

B. Action Items: None

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Spring Policy Updates

Superintendent Black shared information around the Spring Policy updates and had provided this information on the board portal.

2. 2021/22 School Calendar

Superintendent Black shared on the 2021/22 School Calendar with the board.

3. Plan to improve attendance at West Campus

A more detailed power point will be shared with the board at the July meeting around plans to improve attendance at West Campus. Board held discussion around whether or not it's legal to ask students if they are fully vaccinated. Board President Murray asked LSSU Liaison Garnet Green if this is legal? Mr. Green shared it is not legal to ask the question, however, he could provide Isaiah Pettway with information/database which will provide info on whether or not students have been vaccinated.

4. Reauthorization Update

Board President Murray indicated this would be a standing agenda item as to obtain updates from the authorizer. Mr. Murray also indicated he'd like Julie Hopper (LSSU) to conduct another presentation around students and trauma coping skills.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept Spring Board Policy Updates

Motion made to accept the Spring Board Policy Updates as presented by Patricia Moesner/Seconded by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

2. Accept 2021/22 School Calendar

Motion made to accept the 2021/22 School Calendar as presented by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din/Seconded by Patricia Moesner. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Superintendent Black requested to amend the agenda at this time adding the Monthly Learning Covid Plan (ELCP). Ms. Black shared information with the board around this. She confirmed the 75% communication was met for this monthly report.

3. Approve ELCP Monthly Learning Covid Plan

Renee Torres made a motion to approve amending the agenda adding ELCP and approve the monthly ELCP report as presented/Seconded by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

IX. Board Committee Reports/Comments/Action

A. Discussion Items:

1. Monthly Financial Report – May 2021

Thea Daniels shared information with the board around the May 2021 Monthly Financial Report and had previously provided this to the board on their board portal.

Board President Murray inquired as to the status of “East Campus” on financial report. Ms. Daniels indicated she would inquire and advise. Board President Murray requested that Ms. Daniels share on the yearly financial process with the board. Ms. Daniels explained that most school districts including WAY Academy Detroit, run a deficit for most of the year as the state funding doesn’t arrive until well after the start of school, causing the need to amend the budget throughout the year.

2. Budget Hearing June 28th at 6:00 pm via Zoom

Thea Daniels shared on the budget hearing process. Ms. Daniels indicated board members should attend and should take less than 30 minutes.

3. Miller Johnson Invoice 1783942 - \$122.50

Thea Daniels shared information around this invoice which pertained to West Campus. This information had previously been provided on the board portal.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept Monthly Financial Report – May 2021

Motion made to accept the May 2021 Monthly Financial Report, as presented by Renee Torres /Seconded by Patricia Moesner. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

2. Approve Budget Hearing for June 28th at 6:00 pm via Zoom

Motion made to approve the Budget Hearing on June 28, 2021 at 6:00 pm via Zoom as presented by Renee Torres /Seconded by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

3. Approve Miller Johnson Invoice 1783942 - \$122.50

Motion made to approve the Miller Johnson Invoice 1783942 in the amount of \$122.50 as presented by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din /Seconded by Patricia Moesner. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Ms. Daniels shared she would have all the financial reports completed prior to the June 28th meeting. Board President Murray requested they be emailed to the board, as well as, posted on board portal.

Board President Murray wanted to extend his thanks on behalf of the board to Renee Torres for her service on the board and presented her with a certificate. Mr. Murray presented Superintendent Black with a certificate and extended his thanks on behalf of the board for her service.

Board President Murray inquired as to whether a West student which had previously been discussed had graduated. Superintendent Black indicated that Mr. Pettway would inquire and advise at the next board meeting.

X. Announcements:

Next Regularly Scheduled Annual Board Meeting will be held on: Tuesday, July 20, 2021, at W-A-Y Academy West, 19321 W. Chicago, Detroit, MI 48228

XI. Call to the Public

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None.

XII. Adjournment at 6:53 pm

Motion made to adjourn at 6:53 pm by Laura Chavez-Wazeerud-Din/Seconded by Patricia Moesner. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

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