

Board Meeting Minutes

W-A-Y Academy Detroit

(Regular Board Meeting)

Date: Tuesday May 16, 2023

Members present: Danielle Bascomb, Patricia Moesner, Laura Chavez (via zoom), Sheila Flanagan

Others present: Cameron Nichols, Trena Braswell, Matthew Bolduc, Garnett Green, and Alexandra Guzman.

Meeting Called to Order @ 6:18 pm

Roll Call Attendance

Michael Murray (Wayne County)-Absent

Laura Chavez (Wayne County)-via zoom

Sheila Flanagan (Wayne County)

Patricia Moesner (Wayne County)

Danielle Bascomb (Wayne County)

II. Approval of the Consent Agenda

- Motioned by Danielle Bascomb/ 2nd by Sheila Flanagan
Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Laura Chavez (Y) Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion carries.

III. Call to the Public:

- Read by Patricia Moesner-no public present/no public comments.

IV. Motion List

Consent Agenda

- Approval of April 18th, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes
- Motioned by Danielle Bascomb/ 2nd by Sheila Flanagan
Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Laura Chavez (Y) Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion Carries.

Correspondence

- None

LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report

Mr. Green shared the following:

- Reminder to the board members about the Board Evaluation of the Educational Service Provider (ESP).

- The board annual organizational meeting needs to be done before the June board meeting.

Educational Service Providers Report

Director of Charter Schools Trena Braswell shared the following on behalf of Supt. Pettway:

Program Updates (W-A-Y Programs)

- Sherry Lynem, was introduced as the new Finance Director for WAY Program.

Enrollment Recruitment Marketing

- Enrollment has stayed the same after the February count from the October count.
- Currently it is open enrollment period.
- They are planning enrollments and recruitment plan with the marketing consultant led by Mr. Bolduc and Mr. Nichols.
- Cinco de Mayo weekend the Southwest Campus and their team participated by having a table set up outside and having giveaways during the parade that occurred in front of the school.
- West Campus attended a community event where they walked around and passed out WAY flyers.
- Proposed numbers for the next school year are 110 students for the southwest campus and 90 students for the west campus. For a total of 200 for both campuses.

Academic Updates

- The academies are focusing on students who are close to graduating.
- Graduation will be June 14th at Central Baptist Church at 5 pm. There will be around 12-15 total graduates. The address is 10421 W. 7 Mile Rd. Detroit, MI 48221.
- State testing has been completed. Now they are going to start the NWEA test which is considered a benchmark test. This will go on until the end of May. The comparative data, Fall to Spring, will be gathered and presented to the board at the June meeting. Benchmark testing is required by LSSU.

Personnel Updates

- No new updates.

LSSU Legislative Authorizer Updates

- Supt. Pettway and Steve Lasko are currently working on the lease amendment to submit and have it approved by LSSU by the June board meeting.
- There will be an increase on rent of about \$547 a month for the next school year.
- They are working on possible custodial service savings as well.

Director Report

Director Cameron Nichols shared the following about the Southwest Campus:

- WAY Academy Southwest has **104** students enrolled for this month. There are 3 potential new students that met with Mr. Nichols about the expectations. Two of the students were referrals from current students. There is a total of 20 leads at the southwest campus.
- Total credit attainment for the month of **April** is **53.97**.
- Average Credit Attainment for the month was 0.54 credit.
- The grade with the highest Average Credit Attainment was the **10th graders** with an average of **0.65** credits.

- The monthly attendance was **53%**.
Monthly Points of Pride:
 - There was one graduate this week. He pushed himself towards the end and managed to complete.
 - M Step testing went well and attendance was at 100% participation. Only the 8th and 11th graders take this exam.

Director Matthew Bolduc shared the following about the West Campus:

- WAY Academy West Campus has 86 students enrolled this month. They have around 3 good leads.
- Total credit attainment for the month of **April** was **28.64**.
- The Average Credit Attainment is **0.33** credits.
- The Average Credit Attainment by grade was the **7th graders** with **0.96** Credits.
- The monthly attendance was **51%**.
- Monthly Points of Pride:
 - The 7th graders were the highest achieving grade level with a 0.9 credit average.
 - There were 7 researchers doubled the expectations with attaining over 1.0 credits this month.
 - There are already 9 students this month (May) that have exceeded their one credit expectation/goal.
 - They had very good attendance with State testing at over 80% of researchers who tested.
 - One the researchers earned 4 credits this month and is very close to graduating!
 - Mr. Bolduc shared they had a Cinco de Mayo Celebration with over 20 students and their families. They played games and enjoyed food together.
 - They are excited that they have one student today that is 0.50 credit away from completing.
 - Board Member Sheila Flannagan asked what is an induction?
 - Mr. Bolduc explained that it is an online project that shows students how to use and navigate the online platform.

Old Business-None

New Business-

1. Strategic Planning Session :

- Board Members Sheila Flannagan and Danielle Bascomb shared they will be coordinating a time to meet and speak about it.

2. School Improvement Committee-

Mr. Nichols shared the following:

- They met last week about adding another goal to the School Improvement Plan.
- The goal is to improve WAY Academy Detroit school index, which includes the Math and English Proficiency, and Graduation Rate.
- They have 2 upcoming meetings this week to finalize the goal.
- The goal is due June 2nd, and they feel confident it will be ready for submission by then.

3. Board Member Application/ Reappointment Form

- Board Member Sheila Flannagan submitted her application. Mr. Green Garnett confirmed.

4. 2022-2023 Audit Engagement Letter

Director of Charter Schools Trena Braswell shared the following:

- The audit engagement letter was posted on the board portal for the board members to review.
- All members present acknowledge they saw it.

X. Board Committee Reports/ Comments/Action

Finance Committee:

Financials: Mr. Pettway introduced the April 2023 financials to the board.

- State Aid Payment Received of the amount \$ 202,448.18.
- Monies owed to WAY Program as of March 31, 2023, was for \$ 111,090.21.
- Monies Transferred \$104,881.43
- Accounts Payable of April 30st. 2023 \$ 93,503.35
- The payroll liabilities were for \$ 46,249.15.
- Request for transfer in the amount of \$ 139,752.50

Action Items

Approval to Accept April 2023 Financial Statements:

- Motion to Approve: Danielle Bascomb /2nd Sheila Bascomb
- Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Laura Chavez (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion carries.

Approval to Accept Spring Budget Amendment:

- Motion to Approve: Danielle Bascomb /2nd Sheila Bascomb
- Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Laura Chavez (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion carries.

Approval to Accept Future State Aid Borrowing Discussion:

- Motion to Approve: Danielle Bascomb /2nd Sheila Bascomb
- Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Laura Chavez (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion carries.

Announcements- None

- Next Meeting June 22, 2023, at 6 pm Location: WAY Academy Southwest Campus

Call to the Public-No public present/no public comments.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn: Danielle Bascomb/2nd by Sheila Flannagan
- Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 pm

Minutes submitted by: Alexandra Guzman

Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting respectfully submitted,

Sheila Flanagan

Board Secretary

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Date

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