

Board Meeting Minutes W-A-Y Academy Detroit (Regular Board Meeting)

Date: August 15th, 2023

Members present: Danielle Bascomb, Patricia Moesner, Laura Chavez and Sheila Flanagan.

Others present: Trena Braswell, Sherry Lynem, Isaiah Pettway, Cameron Nichols and Alexandra Guzman.

Meeting Called to Order @ 6:13 pm

Roll Call Attendance

Michael Murray (Wayne County)-Absent

Laura Chavez (Wayne County)

Sheila Flanagan (Wayne County)

Patricia Moesner (Wayne County)

Danielle Bascomb (Wayne County)

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Motioned by Laura Chavez/ 2nd by Danielle Bascomb
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.

V. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting on July 18, 2023.

Motioned by Laura Chavez/ 2nd Danielle Bascomb

Roll Call Vote: Patricia Moesner (Y) Danielle Bascomb (Y) Laura Chavez (Y)

Sheila Flanagan (Y). Motion Carries.

Correspondence

- Supt. Pettway announced he received the yearly LSSU Authorizer Report today. He will be sharing it via email with the board members. They are currently at 84% rating on the report. The only issue is the completion of the Self and ESP Evaluation. Once completed and submitted it will be corrected.

LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report

Mr. Green was absent. No presentation.

Educational Service Providers Report

Superintendent Pettway shared the following:

Program Updates (W-A-Y Programs)

- No major updates.
- Ms. Sherry Lynem is now with WAY Full time.

Enrollment Recruitment Marketing

- The total projected budgeted enrollment goal is 200 students for this upcoming school year.
- 90 students for the West Campus and 110 students for the Southwest Campus.
- The enrollment currently for the West Campus is 77 students enrolled and 5 completed applications.
- The enrollment currently for the Southwest Campus is 95 students enrolled and 2 completed applications.
- Recruitment efforts have been planned and will be done over the summer.
- Open house for the southwest campus is scheduled for August 22nd, 2023 10am-2pm. There will be festivities and games. Current families and new families are invited to come and participate.
- Open house for the west campus is scheduled for August 23rd, 2023 10am-2pm. There will be clowns and portable game rooms.
- There will be a \$457 per pupil increase in October and once the October count is finalized there will be a budget amendment presented with that increase included.
- There is an incentive for students that refer a friend or family to the school. If the student enrolls and stays through count day and 30 days past count, they receive a \$50 gift card.

Personnel Updates

- Looking to hire a Science and a Math Title I Interventionist.
- West campus is looking to hire a Math interventionist, Math, and Special Education teacher.
- Board Member Chavez offered to post the job postings in the SWBA Website.
- Board Member Chavez shared they are happy that Mr. Nichols and Ms. Braswell decided to stay at WAY.

Academic Updates

- Both campuses are planning all students to return. Their CSI plan has been accepted and the first check in is in September. The meeting will be held with Tom English.
- The 98C grant was used to purchase resources for students. The management company is expected to report to the board what was purchased. This will be done at the next board meeting.

LSSU Legislative Authorizer Updates

- There was an increase in the per pupil allowance. The 23-24 SY budget was proposed to the board without the increase. After count is finalized in October they will introduce the proposed amended budget with the final numbers and the increase.
- Again, the only outstanding thing is the ESP and Self Evaluation.

Director Report

Director Cameron Nichols shared the following about the Southwest Campus:

Enrollment, Attendance and Credit Attainment Report

- WAY Academy Southwest in July had 101 students enrolled and for the month of June there were 97 students. Again, the goal is to have 110 students. There are 5 potential new students that met with Mr. Nichols about the expectations. There are 15 applications that need to be reviewed for possible enrollment in August.
- Total credit attainment for the month of July is 8.9.
- Average Credit Attainment for the month was 0.04 credits.
- The monthly attendance was 23%.
- 60 % of the researchers earned credit this month.
- Points of Pride: They added 4 new researchers, 3 researchers reached well above the requirements earned over one credit and were in Honor Roll.
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Director Trena Braswell shared the following about the West Campus:

- WAY Academy West Campus has 78 students enrolled this month.
- The Average Credit Attainment is **0.07** credits.
- The Average Credit Attainment by grade was the **7th graders** with **0.49** Credits.
- The monthly attendance was **17%**.
- Monthly Points of Pride:
 - 7th graders meet the expectation.
 - There was a new graduate.
 - July was a slow month because of summer break and August is a slow month because the students return.
 - WAY Academy Wes will be having a bowling and video game truck for their open house.
 - Southwest will be having clowns and balloons backpacks giveaways raffles for their open house as well.
 - They have been focusing on enrollments throughout this month. Program Director, Cameron Nichols has been having a lot of interviews with enrolling students throughout the month.
 - Students will be starting in September.
 - He shared that he's noticing people/families are being referred to WAY by students that have already attended her graduated from there.
 - Ms. Trena Braswell shared the partnership with a sorority at the West campus and how it has positively impacted the students and the school.

Old Business-None

New Business-

A. Discussion Items

1. Strategic Planning Session:

- Board Member Danielle Bascomb shared there is a meeting next week.

2. School Improvement Committee-

Mr. Pettway shared the following:

- There are meetings scheduled in September.
- There are meetings scheduled quarterly with Mr. English. The first will be the second Friday in September.

3. Custodial Services-West Campus

Supt. Pettway shared the following:

- The proposal was emailed to him prior to the meeting and will be forwarded to the board members.
- With this landlord all custodial services were switched to a third-party last year except for the individual serving WAY. They would like to switch him over this year as well.

4. ESP Evaluation and Board Self Evaluation

Mr. Pettway shared the following:

- This was already discussed with the board members earlier under correspondence.

B. Action Items

Approval of the Custodial Services-West Campus

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

Board Committee Reports/ Comments/Action

Finance Committee:

*Financials: Sherry Lynem introduced the **July 2023** financials to the board.*

- State Aid Payment Received of the amount \$ 183,411.65.
- Monies owed to WAY Program as of June 30th, 2023, was for \$ 278,767.28
- Monies Transferred \$79,676.79
- Accounts Payable of July 31st, 2023 \$60,581.75
- The payroll liabilities were for \$ 77,714.71 (7/14/23 & 7/28/23 & Health)
- Request for transfer in the amount of \$138,296.46

State Aid Note Borrowing Updates

Sherry Lynem shared the following:

- Everything is running as scheduled.
- They are wrapping up the 22-23 school year and starting to clean up and prepare for the upcoming audit.

Action Items

Approval to Accept July 2023 Financial Statements:

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

Announcements- Next Board Meeting will be September 19th, 2023 @ 6pm Location: West Campus.

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

Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm

Minutes submitted by: Alexandra Guzman

Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of August 15, 2023 Regular Meeting respectfully submitted,

Sheila Flanagan

Board Secretary

09 / 27 / 2023

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