

W-A-Y Academy Detroit
(Widening Advancements for Youth)
8701 West Vernor Highway, Detroit, MI 48209
**Note: May 15, 2017 Regular Meeting will be held at
West Campus, 19321 W. Chicago, Detroit, MI 48227**

Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2017
5:30 p.m.

Financial Meeting Scheduled to begin at 5:15 p.m.

Minutes

I. Call to Order by the President at 5:30 pm

Roll Call:

Murray _____

Croxton Excused

Naylor _____

Torres _____

II. Approval of Agenda

Michael Murray asked to add 2017-18 Proposed Budget Draft under Finance Committee to the agenda.

Motion made to approve the agenda as amended by Jacquelyn Naylor/Seconded by Renee Torres.
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, April 17, 2017

Motion made to approve minutes from the Regular Meeting held on April 17, 2017 by Jacquelyn Naylor/Seconded by Renee Torres. Passed unanimously.

V. Educational Service Provider's Report

Superintendent/Director's Report

WAY Academy Roseville Sublease discussion – Paul Fershee

Bid Posting(s) for Roseville work – Paul Fershee

Jennifer Hernandez shared on credit attainment for both campus sites and shared rationale as to why the attainment seems to have gone down a bit since last month.

May/June marketing campaign is ongoing. Looking at bringing on someone in a contracted position to lead our marketing campaign for both our sites. This individual has numerous connections in the community. They will also provide training to our staff with regard to marketing for the next school year.

East Campus (Drive One) – May 25th will be having awards ceremony at program. Jennifer and additional staff will be presenting an overview of our program to parents informing them of June 8, 2017 Open House. We will send post cards to students who currently attend Drive One program. Working on signage that will be showcased on the building. We will be marketing through social media as well.

Darrell Wanamaker has set up Drive One/WAY Academy East Campus link on our website. Board asked that Darrell come to a future board meeting and introduce himself to the board.

Shared on recent accreditation process through AdvancEd. Our accreditation has been reapproved for another five years.

Southwest – 2 speakers from Dorsey College presented regarding their programs.

West – Parent Workshops held in the evening seems to be going well.

Lori Johnson has resigned as Director at Southwest Campus. She will be taking another position elsewhere.

Paul Fershee shared on Drive One Sublease to the board. The monthly lease fee will be \$7,000 plus utilities. Mr. Fershee also shared that Drive One and WAY Academy will have insurance on the building. Additional conversation was held on space and how it will be utilized. Mr. Fershee shared on building renovation bids, which have been presented for consideration. Bid process may be extended an additional week allowing us to provide more specific renovation(s) expectations. Board shared they would like to see this program grow and offer opportunity to our Detroit researchers as well. Ms. Hernandez shared that Mr. Fershee is currently looking at available space in the Detroit area that could potentially accommodate some of our Detroit researchers with opportunity working with some Drive One staff. Board wants to review the sublease and revisit at the June board meeting. Mr. Fershee shared that we need to move quickly on approval and signing the sublease. Sublease is scheduled to start July 1, 2017.

Motion to approve Drive One Sublease as presented by Renee Torres/Seconded by Jacquelyn Naylor. Approved unanimously.

Paul Fershee shared on bids that have been submitted. Paul Fershee shared he is hoping to have bid proposal(s) ready for approval at the June 2017 board meeting.

VI. LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report

Garnet Green – LSSU representative – Not in attendance

VII. Old Business

A. Discussion Items

1. Board Membership Committee Updates

Renee Torres shared that she and Jacquelyn Naylor pushed recommendation on to Lake Superior State University for Sheila Flanigan as potential board member. Lake Superior State University is waiting on passport information Ms Flanigan. Ms. Bell provided her birth certificate information to Lake Superior State University, however, Jenny Peterman was not working on Monday so the board was unable to act. Ms. Bell should be able to be sworn in at a future board meeting.

Glenn Croxton Resignation

Board held additional conversation on recognition for Glenn. Jennifer Hernandez will prepare a certificate for Glenn Croxton to be presented at a future board meeting.

B. Action Items

1. Accept Glenn Croxton's Resignation – Will be discussed at the June Board Meeting.

VIII. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Required Credits for Graduation (Personalized Graduation Track) – Jennifer Hernandez will present.

Jennifer Hernandez shared on Michigan Merit Curriculum High School Graduation Requirements and graduation tracks for our researchers. (Handout was shared with the board) Board asked for clarification as to whether or not we could offer adult education as an option. Ms. Hernandez shared that she would explore this and share out at a future board meeting. Jacquelyn Naylor shared on whether or not we could have some free programs (i.e. S.T.E.M.) made available to our researchers (especially those who are going to age out soon). Ms. Hernandez shared that we could look into having some of these free programs come into our buildings and present to our researchers.

2. Federal Fund Budget Amendment

Kelli Glenn shared on WAY Academy Federal Fund Amendment with the board. (Handout was provided to the board) Board shared they would like to review this information and vote on this at the June board meeting.

3. Cash Flow Borrowing

Kelli Glenn shared on Cash Flow Borrowing process with the board. Board would need to act on this at the June board meeting. Michael Murray shared that he approves Kelli Glenn pushing the paperwork to Bond Counsel for consultation.

B. Action Items:

1. Approve Required Credits for Graduation (Personalized Graduation Track)

Motion to approve required credits for graduation (Personalized Graduation Track) as presented by Jacquelyn Naylor/Seconded by Renee Torres. Approved unanimously.

2. Approve Federal Fund Budget Amendment – Action item tabled for the June 2017 board meeting.

IX. Board Committee Reports/Comments/Action

A. Finance Committee:

Monthly Financial Report –April 2017- accept subject to audit
2017-18 Proposed Budget Draft

Kelli Glenn shared on the 2017-18 Proposed Budget Draft and indicated the numbers were based on 210 researchers that we anticipate will be attending East Campus/Drive One campus. Jennifer Hernandez shared that we look at 120 starting and building up to 210 researchers. Budget will be presented at the June board meeting for approval.

Kelli Glenn shared on 2017-18 General Fund Budget Proposal with board (handout was provided to the board).

Board would like Kelli Glenn to present a year to date expenditures on board monies going in/out at the next board meeting.

Kelli Glenn shared the April 2017 Financial Report with the board. (Handout was provided to the board)

Motion to accept the April 2017 Financial Report as presented by Renee Torres/Seconded by Jacqueline Naylor. Approved unanimously.

X. Announcements:

Next Regularly Scheduled Board meeting: June 19, 2017
W-A-Y Academy Detroit, **Southwest Campus, 8701 W. Vernor Hwy, Detroit, MI.**

Thanks to Ms. Bell for attending board meeting. Board is looking forward to swearing her in at the next board meeting.

XI. Call to the Public

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Tabitha Stanley shared her concerns on starting a new school and staffing issues. Asked as to whether or not reimbursements will be provided for overseas trip attendees. Mr. Murray shared that the issue would be addressed at the next board meeting.

XII. Adjournment by President Murray at 7:12 pm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:12 pm by Jacquelyn Naylor/Seconded by Renee Torres. Approved unanimously.

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