



CORNERSTONE LINCOLN-KING ADAMS-YOUNG ACADEMY

Meeting of the Board of Directors Public School Academy Corporation

Location: Adams-Young Middle School
17351 Southfield Fwy, Detroit, MI 48219, USA

Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2024

6:00 p.m.

1) BUSINESS ROUTINE

a) Call to Order (Chairman)

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m.

b) Board of Directors Roll Call

Present: Horace Sheffield, Mickey Mortimer, Michael Dixon, and Lawrence Baker

Absent: None

Attendees: Andy Anuzis, President; Maggie Durant, Chief Strategy Officer; Clint McDaniel, GVSU Representative; Dustin Quarrella, Director of Enrollment; Mary Ann Johnson, Finance Director; Grant Heugel, Director of Operations; Elizabeth Noa Carrion, Compliance Director; Jerusha Usry, Executive Assistant to Leadership

c) Adoption of Agenda

Mortimer moved. Dixon seconded. All approved.

d) Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

Baker moved. Mortimer seconded. All approved.

e) Pledge of Allegiance

Board and attendees said the pledge of allegiance.

f) Sharing Gratitude

Board and attendees expressed their gratitude's.

2) PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to agenda items)

There was no public comment.

3) PRESENTATIONS

a) Organizational Update (Andy Anuzis)

We have interviewed two individuals in order to fill open positions, including the Director of Curriculum position. We have promising candidates. Introduction of new Compliance Director, Elizabeth Noa Carrion. We will be focusing on fundraising.

d) Academic Update (Maggie Durant)

We had two rounds of testing, the testing in April is the State testing – MSTEP which focuses on grades 3-8, high schoolers have their testing, and then we have our internal benchmarking in Fall, Winter, and Spring with I-Ready. These two tests do not always say the same thing due to the State only focusing on 3-8 grades. Secondly, the threshold is different for both platforms. We do not have our MSTEP results yet, but looking at our Spring I-Ready data we are closing gaps in grades K-2 as a result of teacher training and focusing on our phonics program. Grades 3-8 have decreased a little, and high school has shown some gains. All data will be in and ready to discuss at June's meeting.

e) Enrollment Update (Dustin Quarrella)

We are trending towards retaining 1,920 students, but nothing is final until Fall count day. This year our retention has increased to 77% as compared to last year's 70%. Just today Quarrella completed 15 applications on the phone. Opening re-enrollment earlier in the year has made a substantial difference in a positive way. AYE and AYM are trending towards their set goal. LKHS is the biggest concern, we lose many of our 8th graders to King, Cass, and Renaissance High Schools. Dawn to Dusk program has many families interested and has helped in re-enrollment/enrollment numbers. The following are the goal numbers: AYE's Fall count was 469, the goal was 495, we are trending towards 521. AYM's Fall count was 335, the goal was 305, we are trending towards 366. LKHS's Fall count was 494, the goal was 558, we are trending towards 605. The total goal being 3,075 students. LKHS has 136 new enrollment applications, AYM has 53 new enrollment applications, and AYE has 148 new enrollment applications.

f) Financial Update (Mary Ann Johnson)

March Financials

The Finance Department is working on the budget for next year, ensuring that everything balances. All of the audits are completed. Johnson is building reporting tools in the systems that the Finance Department uses to streamline and make processes more efficient.

4) BOARD POLICY WORK

a) Board meeting dates: All meetings are on Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

1. August 24, 2023
2. October 26, 2023
3. January 25, 2024

4. March 22, 2024

5. May 28, 2024

6. June 24, 2024

5) ACTION ITEMS

a.) Approval of the Curriculum purchases as presented.

Durant presented the I-Ready Agreement renewals, which includes two purchases for the tools and testing used for instruction.

Dixon moved and Mortimer seconded the motion to approve the Curriculum purchases as presented. All approved.

7) AUTHORIZER COMMENTS

Budget Hearing notices are required to be posted in a newspaper of general circulation at least 6 days prior to budget hearing. Notice should list date, time, location, and where a copy of the proposed budgets can be located.

Leah Breen officially appointed as the permanent Assistant Vice President of Charter Schools.

Save the date for the Board Presidents Leadership Retreat, which is scheduled for October 3, 2024 at 11:30a – 12:30p. RSVP by September 3, 2024.

Legislative updates: Per pupil funding Proposal in the governor's office to increase funding.

Section 27L funding, charter schools have been excluded from this funding.

One more board member is required to participate in the 1-hour online training on June 3rd.

8) ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) Next Meeting: June 24, 2024, at 6:00p.m.

9) PUBLIC COMMENT (related to non-agenda items)

There was no public comment.

10) MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:57 p.m. by Dixon. Baker and Mortimer seconded. The above minutes were duly adopted on June 24, 2024 by the Lincoln-King Adams-Young Academy Board of Directors at a properly noticed meeting held at which a quorum was present.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Dixon", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Submitted by Michael Dixon, Secretary