



**CORNERSTONE
LINCOLN-KING
ADAMS-YOUNG
ACADEMY**

**Meeting of the Board of Directors
Public School Academy Corporation**

Location: Adams-Young Middle 17351 Southfield Fwy, Detroit, MI 48235

Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2024

6:00 p.m.

1) BUSINESS ROUTINE

a) Call to Order (President)

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

b) Board of Directors Roll Call

Present: Mickey Mortimer, Michael Dixon, and Lawrence Baker (arrived at 6:01 p.m.)

Absent: Horace Sheffield

Attendees: Andy Anuzis, President; Maggie Durant, Chief Strategy Officer; Clint McDaniel, GVSU Representative; Elizabeth Noa Carrion, Compliance Director; John Kava, Legal Counsel; Mary Ann Johnson, Finance Director; Grant Heugel, Director of Operations; Clark Durant Sr. (arrived at 6:06 p.m.)

c) Adoption of Agenda

Dixon moved. Baker seconded. All approved.

d) Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

Baker moved. Dixon seconded. All approved.

e) Pledge of Allegiance

Board and attendees said the pledge of allegiance.

f) Sharing of 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 solved a major business problem at Cornerstone, we usually have 30 vacancies. In the last 2 years we have put team members in place, and vacancies are at a minimum. Now we can focus on the quality of staff. This year we are +400 students network wide. At LKHS we are +160 students, we currently have around 660 students. To enculturate that many students is difficult, we've had some situations involving fighting on campus. We are bringing in the gang squad and DPD. We also have the group of students involved in daily interventions with the Social Worker. We are also adding teachers, and working on decreasing the size of classrooms.

b) Academic Update - Maggie Durant

We have our MSTEP scores for the Fall beginning of year bench mark, the results were fairly flat. Last year we did a push in phonics for the younger students and we saw some growth. We are currently looking for an Academic Leader on the district level. This year we are focusing on returning to the basics with students. We are piloting 2 programs at WPA that will be rolled out network wide. Patrick Nelson is working with K-5th grades grouping students by skill level calling it "Math Mix Up".

c) Enrollment - Dustin Quarrella

On October 9th we had a total of 3,082 students network wide. Last year we only had 880 new students. At LKHS we are +167 students, at AYE we are +53 students, and at AYM we are +95 students. Dawn to Dusk has been a huge factor in keeping the students and families happy. There are less complaints than last year.

d) Finance - MaryAnn Johnson

We received some of the ESSER funds later than expected, we will amend the budget in December. We will adjust State revenue as well after completing the audits. At this time of the year we should expect to be at around 25% of the budget. Under expenditures - General Administration is at 34%. School Administration is at 27%. We had higher costs at the beginning of the year, we had some compliance training at the beginning of the year. Operations & Maintenance is at 29%, the Middle school had some HVAC work and we installed cameras at some of the schools. Community service is at 53%, there are 3 employees wages that fall into this category, this would be Community Liaison and Family Engagement Specialists.

4) BOARD POLICY WORK

a) Board Meeting Dates for 2024-2025: All on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

3. January 23, 2025
4. March 23, 2025
5. May 22, 2025
6. June 26, 2025

5) ACTION ITEMS

None

6) CONSENT ITEMS

None

7) AUTHORIZER COMMENTS – McDaniel

This year there was a record number of charter school alumni enrolled at GVSU, currently there are 326 charter school alumni students enrolled at GVSU. That is a 51% increase from last year.

We will review the results of the Annual School Performance Report beginning in January 2025.

We have an Early Teacher Career Cohort which started October 17, 2024. Any teachers in their first 5 years of teaching, receive support and guidance. Anyone interested can contact Jayme Lesperance.

2025 Core Values Award opens November 1st. This year's initiative will celebrate the value

of international perspective.

Transparency Icons need to be displayed on the school website and need to be up to date.

Charter school bills of note: MAPSA anticipates discussion around the following bills this Fall: Senate bills 943 – 947.

The next virtual Board training will take on December 16th.

8) ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) Next Meeting: January 23, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

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

There was no public comment.

10) MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:17 p.m. by Mortimer. Dixon moved, Baker seconded. The above minutes were duly adopted on 2/17/25 by the Lincoln-King Adams-Young Academy Board of Directors at a properly noticed meeting held at which a quorum was present.

Signed by:

Michael Dixon

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Submitted by Michael Dixon, Secretary