

Lighthouse Academy Board of Directors
Approved Regular Meeting Minutes

Mission: *A safe harbor that provides innovative whole-child education and ensures success despite life's storms.*

Date: February 27, 2024

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Place: Lighthouse Academy – South Campus
3330 36th St SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49512

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call.** *Peter VanGeldereren called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.*
 - A. Board Members Present.** Peter VanGeldereren, Todd Penning, Aaron Toffoli, Dr. Brenda King, Steven Bossenbroek II and Erica Galat.
 - B. Board Members Absent (with prior notice).** Angela Bunn.
 - C. Others Present.** Dr. Heidi Cate, Superintendent; Leslie Cummings, Executive Director Business Office; Dr. Michele Sideman, FSU Representative; Stacey Martinez, Senior School Leader; Shea Williams, School Leader; Lucas Yax, Assistant Superintendent (attending virtually); Matthew Milanowski, School Leader; Dave Pelan, Barry County Court; Ines Straube, Barry County Court ;and Amanda Shyne, Recording Secretary.
- II. Public Comment* (limited to agenda items only).** *None.*
- III. Approval of Agenda.** *A motion to add “Approve Erica Galat’s Reappointment” and approve the agenda was made by Todd Penning and supported by Aaron Toffoli. The motion passed unanimously.*
- IV. Consent Calendar.**
 - A.** Approval of January 23, 2024 Proposed Regular Meeting Minutes. *A motion to approve the January 23, 2024 Proposed Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Steven Bossenbroek II and supported by Dr. Brenda King. The motion passed unanimously.*
- V. Old Business.** *None.*
- VI. New Business.**
 - A.** Approve Erica Galat’s Reappointment. *A motion to approve Erica Galat’s reappointment was made by Aaron Toffoli and supported by Dr. Brenda King. The motion passed unanimously.*
 - B.** School Spotlight Lighthouse Academy – The Harbor (Kent and Muskegon) and Ottawa JJI (Shea Williams). *Shea Williams presented the provided handout to the Board. A Lighthouse Academy – Harbor student spoke to the Board about his experience in The Harbor program.*

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- C. FSU-CSO Updates &/or Report – Dr. Michele Siderman. *Dr. Michele Siderman summarized the results of the recent QPRG Audit, encouraged Board attendance at an upcoming PD and shared out the new water filtration requirements for schools effective in the 2025-2026 school year.*
- D. DAN Updates. *There were no questions from the Board on the provided handout.*
- E. Barry County Inquiry Update. *Dr. Heidi Cate, Leslie Cummings, and Ron Rizzo, and Chris Loisel met with Dave Pelan and Ines Straube from Barry County to view the potential new site location. Dave Pelan and Ines Straube addressed the Board and shared the needs of court affiliated youth in their county. A motion to approve the resolution to amend the Lighthouse Academy contract with FSU-CSO to add an additional separate site which will serve Barry County youth was made by Aaron Toffoli and supported by Steven Bossenbroek II. The motion passed unanimously.*

F. Integrity Educational Services Reports.

1. Financial Reports.

- a. Monthly Financial Reports. *Leslie Cummings reviewed the January financial reports with the Board. A motion to approve the January check register was made by Todd Penning and supported by Erica Galat. The motion passed unanimously.*
- b. Approved Revised 2023-2024 Budget. *Leslie Cummings reviewed the 2023-2024 revised budget with the Board. A motion to approve the 2023-2024 revised budget was made by Dr. Brenda King and supported by Todd Penning. The motion passed unanimously.*
- c. 2024-2025 ESP Agreement. *Leslie Cummings reviewed the 2024-2025 ESP Agreement with the Board. A motion to approve the 2024-2025 ESP Agreement for submission to FSU-CSO for review and non-disapproval was made by Todd Penning and supported by Dr. Brenda King. The motion passed unanimously.*

2. Human Resources Reports. *Leslie Cummings invited the Board to attend upcoming Staff Events including Popcorn Praise in March, Educator Appreciation in May and the Year End Celebration on 6/20/2024.*

VII. Correspondence. *A Resolution listing all current Lighthouse Academy locations was requested by FSU-CSO. A motion to approve the Resolution listing all current Lighthouse Academy locations was made by Todd Penning and supported by Aaron Toffoli. The motion passed unanimously.*

VIII. Extended Public Comment* (limited to non-agenda items only). *None.*

IX. Reconfirmation of Next Regular Meeting Date

March 26, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.
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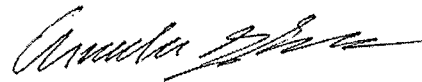
- X. Adjournment.** *A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Todd Penning and supported by Aaron Toffoli. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 1:31 p.m.*

Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under Items II and IX above are requested to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

Complaints or concerns regarding Board members or school employees associated with the Academy shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the Board President at least five (5) days prior to the Board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner. (Source: Board Policy 0167.3)

Proposed minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection at the Integrity Educational Services Central office at 3300 36th Street, SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512, eight (8) business days after the meeting. Approved minutes are available within five (5) business days after the meeting at which they are approved (in accordance with Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267).

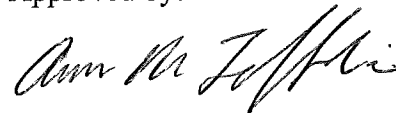
Submitted by:



Amanda Shyne
Recording Secretary

Date: 2/27/2024

Approved by:



Aaron Toffoli
Board Secretary

Date: 3-26-24

