

# FLINT CULTURAL CENTER ACADEMY

## Board of Education

August 20, 2019

5:30 p.m.

Flint Institute of Arts Board Room

## APPROVED MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Todd Slisher  
Rodney Lontine  
John Henry  
Kay Schwartz

**ADMINISTRATION:** Eric Lieske

**STAFF:** Amy Tamalunas

**OTHER GUESTS:** Karima Amlani Bostick, Lamont Richardson, Jennifer Mason, Bermicia Parks, Bill Haley

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Flint Cultural Center Academy Board of Education was called to order by President Todd Slisher at 5:30 pm in the Flint Institute of Arts Board Room.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Slisher

**ROLL CALL:** Amy Tamalunas read the roll. Members present: Todd Slisher, Rodney Lontine, John Henry and Kay Schwartz.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Rodney Lontine, to approve the agenda as amended to include the acceptance of Jarret Haynes' resignation as part of Action Item "B". The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Rodney Lontine, to approve the consent agenda which included item 1 below:

#### **1. Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of the minutes from the previous special meeting of August 14, 2019. •  
The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **1. Flint Cultural Center Academy Updates**

- FCCA Family Open House: On Tuesday, August 13 the school opened its doors to the families of the Flint Cultural Center Academy. The open house was very successful with 95% attendance.
- First Day of School, Monday, August 19, 2019: Mr. Lieske stated that the school had a very positive first day of school, with 93% in attendance. He was aware that some students would not be in attendance the first day due to family commitments.
- Crim Fitness Foundation After-School Programming: Currently 73 students have signed up.
- Michigan Department of Education Charter School Program Grant Round Two Planning: This submission focuses on how to better address student needs. The deadline for submission is September 24, 2019. Ideas and concepts were shared with board members for the FCCA grant application.

### **2. Board Committee Reports**

- Tonight, Board Development Committee Chairperson Lontine provided a summary of the recent committee meeting. Mr. Lontine stated the Mr. Jared Haynes has resigned from the Board of Education. The Board Committee has identified a new member, Renita Bingham, to recommend as a member.

## **Special Presentations:**

### **From the Public:**

Bermica Parks made a point to thank the school for a very successful first two days of school. She had a question regarding pickup procedures for the after-school program. Mr. Lieske stated that it will depend on how many enroll.

Jennifer Mason stated that her children are loving the positive culture of the school.

**Correspondence:** None at this time

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

### **a. Approval of the second reading of the National Charter School Policies spring updates.**

The National Charter School Institute provided the annual spring policies updates for our review. The following policies are included in this update:

0100: Definitions (to include absent voting for military duty)

- 0167.2: Closed Session (to include security planning)
- 2210: Curriculum Development (to include career development)
- 2414: Reproductive Health and Family Planning (delete reference to MDE)
- 6321: New School Construction (to include consultation with first responder agencies)
- 6325: Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds (to include audit questions regarding Small and Minority Businesses and Women's Business Enterprise)
- 6605: Crowdfunding (to address the importance of privacy protection for students and to maintain fiscal safeguards)
- 8400: School Safety Information (to reflect current Federal and State law)
- 8402: Emergency Operations Plan (new policy to assist in compliance with state laws on collaboration, review and notifications of emergency planning)
- 8500: Food Services (updated to align with USDA's meal reimbursement)

It is recommended that the Flint Cultural Center Academy second reading of the National Charter School Policies spring updates is approved. **Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Rodney Lontine, to approve the second reading of the National Charter School Policies spring updates. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.**

**b. Acceptance of Resignation and Approval of potential Board Members to the Flint Cultural Center Academy Board.**

The Flint Cultural Center Academy School Board currently has five board members and seeks to increase to a seven-member board. Application protocol was created by the Board Development Committee and potential candidates have been screened and interviewed. It is recommended that Renita Bingham be approved as a member of the Flint Cultural Center Academy School Board.

**Moved by John Henry, supported by Todd Slisher, to accept the resignation of Jarret Haynes and to approve that Renita Bingham be approved as a member of the Flint Cultural Center Academy School Board. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.**

**Amend: Jarret Haynes Resignation**

