

Flint Cultural Center Academy

Board of Education

January 11, 2021

5:30 p.m.

Flint Cultural Center Academy

This meeting will be held virtually in compliance with COVID-19 Executive Orders from the State of Michigan

Board Agenda

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- A. **Call to Order**
- B. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President Slisher will lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. **Roll Call:** Mrs. Tamalunas will read the role.
- D. **Election of Officers**
- E. **Approval of Agenda**
- F. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the December 14, 2020 meeting have been distributed to board members for review.
- G. **Communications/Presentations - Related to Agenda:**
 - 1. **Flint Cultural Center Academy Updates:** Flint Cultural Center Academy CEO Eric Lieske will provide an update on the happenings of the Academy.
 - 2. **Grand Valley State University Update:** Grand Valley State University, charter school authorizer for FCCA, Matt Cawood will provide a brief update.
 - 3. **From the Public:** Visitors who wish to address the Board, and who are not already on the evening's agenda, may do so at this time.

Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors during the public comment period of this meeting are requested to sign in before the start of the meeting. Public comment is limited to no more than three (3) minutes per individual comment and thirty (30) minutes total. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner. In general, issues raised by speakers will be referred to the CEO for investigation, study, and recommendation or designated as a future agenda item for board consideration.

4. **Correspondence:** Mrs. Tamalunas will read correspondence for the Board which has been received in the past month.

H. **Action Items:**

1. **Reports, Recommendations, Resolutions:**

- a. **Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan:** On September 14, 2020, the Board approved the Academy's Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. The plan includes the Academy's instructional goals and a description of how instruction will be delivered for the 2020/2021 school year. State Law requires the Board of Education reconfirm the plan every 30 days for the 2020/2021 school year and key metrics that the Academy must consider when reconfirming the plan shall include at least all the following:

- COVID-19 Cases or Positive COVID-19 tests
- Hospitalizations due to COVID-19
- Number of deaths resulting from COVID-19 over a 14-day period
- COVID-19 cases for each day for each 1 million individuals
- The percentage of positive COVID-19 tests over a 4-week period
- Health capacity strength
- Testing, tracing and containment infrastructure with regard to COVID-19

In addition to these seven items, the Academy is also required to report out the percentage of two-way interactions being made between teachers and online students. The Academy must, at a meeting of the board, reconfirm how instruction is going to be delivered during the 2020-2021 school year. **We recommend your reconfirmation of the Flint Cultural Center Academy Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan.**

- b. **Approval of Depository:** The Board must authorize agencies that may serve as depository(ies). **It is recommended that Huntington Bank continue to serve as the depository for the Flint Cultural Center Academy.**

- c. **Adoption of Designated Principal Print Media Sources:** Public schools are required to identify a print media source for posting pertinent information for public viewing. **It is recommended that the Flint Journal be utilized as the print media source for the Flint Cultural Center Academy.**
- d. **Approval of Authorized Signatures:** Each year the Board must authorize the signatures of those persons who may sign checks upon the various accounts of the Academy. Personal, facsimile, and electronic signatures may be used as authorized by the Board. **We recommend authorizing the Treasurer and CEO to sign Academy checks, either by personal, facsimile, or electronic signature.**
- e. **Adoptions Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer and/or Other Personnel Authorized to Negotiate and Implement Contracts with Service Providers (vendors):** Vendors with whom the Flint Cultural Center Academy works sometimes require evidence that the CEO is empowered by the Board to negotiate/implement contracts on behalf of the Academy. **It is recommended that the Chief Executive Officer of the Flint Cultural Center Academy be authorized to negotiate and implement contracts with service providers (vendors).**
- f. **Adoption of Calendar for Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Dates and Times:** A *draft* version of the proposed calendar for meeting dates and times for the Flint Cultural Center Academy Board meetings was distributed previously for review by board members. **It is recommended that the Flint Cultural Center Academy Board meeting calendar be approved.**
- g. **Appointment of Title IX, Freedom of Information, and Civil Rights Coordinators:** The Academy is required to appoint person(s) to fulfill the duties of these roles. **It is recommended that the appointment of Title IX, Freedom of Information, and Civil Rights Coordinators be to the CEO and/or his/her designee.**
- h. **Reappointment of Legal Counsel:** We request that the board take action to approve the continuation of our affiliation with the law firm of Collins & Blaha, P.C. and the Thrun Law Firm, P.C. **It is recommended that the reappointment of Collins & Blaha, P.C. and the Thrun Law Firm, P.C. to serve as Legal Counsel for the Flint Cultural Center Academy be approved.**
- i. **Reappointment of External Auditor.** The Board previously approved the appointment of Yeo & Yeo CPAs and Business Consultants to serve as the external auditor for the Flint Cultural Center Academy. **It is recommended that the reappointment Yeo & Yeo to serve as the External Auditor for the Flint Cultural Center Academy be approved.**
- j. **Approval of Courses/Curriculum.** The following curriculum/courses are utilized to meet the state level standards for teaching and learning at the Flint Cultural Center Academy:

Grades K through 7: Math, Science, Social Studies, Language Arts, Physical Education, Art, and Music, all of which will be aligned with content standards adopted by the Michigan Department of Education and taught by a Michigan certificated teacher or a person holding a valid substitute permit. These courses may be supplemented with additional curricular resources, including: Eureka Math, Zearn Math, Amplify Science, EL Education, LearnZillion, Microsoft Teams, Explorations in Art, Music for Little Mozarts, Alfred's Group Piano Course, Essential Elements for Strings, and Vocalize! **It is recommended that the list of courses to be offered to students enrolled in the Flint Cultural Center Academy either face to face or through virtual instruction be approved.**

- k. Approval of Full Time Status:** Grades K-7: Grades kindergarten through six are taught largely in self-contained classes, without specifically identified courses. Grade seven will be added upon the start of the 2021-2020 school year. The Board considers a student to be full time if the student is scheduled to attend at least 80% of each day at the Flint Cultural Center Academy or through remote instruction provided by the Flint Cultural Center Academy staff and receives instruction in the core subject areas of Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts. **It is recommended that the adoption for determining a student's full-time status be approved.**

I. Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board
(from Board members)

J. Future Meeting Date:

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting: February 8, 2021 at 5:30 pm

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K. Adjournment