

FLINT CULTURAL CENTER ACADEMY

Board of Education

November 8, 2021

5:30pm

Flint Cultural Center Academy

APPROVED MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Henry
Rodney Lontine
Lamont Richardson
Kay Schwartz

MEMBERS ABSENT: Todd Slisher, Renita Bingham, Karima Amlani-Bostick

ADMINISTRATION: Eric Lieske

STAFF: Amy Tamalunas

OTHER GUESTS: Jacob Sopczynski, Matt Cawood, Ryan Castiglione, Michael Fordham, Donelle Ketchum

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- A. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Flint Cultural Center Academy Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Rodney Lontine at 5:38 pm.
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Rodney Lontine.
- C. **ROLL CALL:** Amy Tamalunas read the roll. Members present: John Henry, Rodney Lontine, Lamont Richardson, Kay Schwartz
- D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported Lamont Richardson, to approve the agenda. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.
- E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Moved by John Henry, supported Lamont Richardson, to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2021, meeting. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

F. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Flint Cultural Center Academy Updates:** Flint Cultural Center Academy CEO Eric Lieske provided an update on the happenings of the Academy.

- Intersession Update
- Sports Update
- Mama Sol visit to fourth grade for poetry unit.
- “Lost Boys of Sudan” Connecting to EL Education “Long Walk to Water”
- Mott Community College FABLAB Visit
- GVSU Leadership visit
- MDE CSP Grant Update
- FCCA Food Pantry Plans

2. **Grand Valley State University Update:** Grand Valley State University, charter school authorizer for FCCA, Matt Cawood provided a brief update.

- The Academic Grant is expected to be disbursed in January.
- The annual school operations survey will be sent out to teacher and staff in the next few weeks.
- The school performance reports will be available in January.

3. **Committee Reports:** Finance Committee Chair Kay Schwartz provided an update on the recent Finance Committee meetings.

The Finance Committee met on October 19 to discuss the results of the financial audit and the general fund budget amendment. Both will be presented later in the meeting for board approval.

4. **Audit Presentation:** The CPA firm of Yeo & Yeo recently conducted a financial audit for the Academy’s founding fiscal year. Jacob Sopczynski, Principal at Yeo & Yeo, provided an overview of the audit.

5. **From the Public:**

Donelle Ketchum – Expressed concerns over the mask mandate.

6. **Correspondence:** None

G. ACTION ITEMS:

Reports, Recommendations, Resolutions:

- a. **Acceptance of Financial Audit:** This evening Jacob Sopczynski from Yeo & Yeo CPAs provided an overview and presentation on the Flint Cultural Center Academy's recent financial audit. **It is recommended that the audit be approved as presented.** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Lamont Richardson. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.
- b. **Approval of Flint Cultural Center Academy Budget Amendment:** In an effort to stay focused on the Academy's finances, a budget amendment has been developed. The Finance Committee has reviewed the amendment recommendations. **We recommend approval of the Flint Cultural Center Academy Budget Amendment.** Moved by John Henry, supported by Lamont Richardson. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

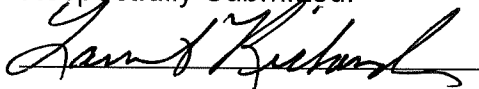
H. Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (from Board Members): None

I. Future Meeting Date:

Next Special Meeting: November 22, 2021, 5:30 pm

- J. **ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Lamont Richardson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully Submitted:



Lamont Richardson, Board Secretary

Flint Cultural Center Academy

