

FLINT CULTURAL CENTER ACADEMY

Board of Education

March 14, 2022

5:30pm

Flint Cultural Center Academy

APPROVED MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karima Amlani-Bostick
Renita Bingham
John Henry
Rodney Lontine
Lamont Richardson
Kay Schwartz
Todd Slisher

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION: Eric Lieske

STAFF: Amy Tamalunas

OTHER GUESTS: Matt Cawood, DelRizzo Washington, Patrice Harris, Donelle Ketchum, Judy 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 President Todd Slisher at 5:31pm.
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Todd Slisher.
- C. **ROLL CALL:** Amy Tamalunas read the roll. Members present: Karima Amlani-Bostick (arrived 5:35), Renita Bingham, John Henry, Rodney Lontine, Lamont Richardson, Kay Schwartz, Todd Slisher
- D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved by Rodney Lontine, supported John Henry, to approve the amended agenda with the removal of *Order of Business, Approval of Officers*. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.
- E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported Lamont Richardson, to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2022, meeting. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

F. SWEARING IN RETURNING BOARD MEMBER: Karima Amlani-Bostick

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. **Flint Cultural Center Academy Updates:** Flint Cultural Center Academy CEO Eric Lieske provided an update on the happenings of the Academy.
 - Update on enrollment applications (683)
 - Black History Month Gallery Walk & Family Night
 - Impacts of School of Choice panel discussion 3/10/2022 w/UM-Flint Education Department
 - Early release day Wednesday, March 16
 - Staffing update (MSU virtual job fair)
 - Marking period 3 ends March 24
 - Spring break March 28-April 1; school resumes Monday, April 4
 - Attending/speaking ASU+GSV Conference "ED on the Edge"
 - M-STEP begins April 11
 - Parent Teacher Conferences April 20 & 21 (early release days)
 - MDE CSP Grant Update

2. **Grand Valley State University Update:** Grand Valley State University, charter school authorizer for FCCA, Matt Cawood provided a brief update.
 - Save the Date – The Board Member Reception is in Grand Rapids on May 9, 2022 and in Detroit on May 10, 2022.
 - Board members were encouraged to complete the Annual Board Member Survey.
 - The next Board training session is on April 26, 2022. School budget and finances will be the topic.
 - Mr. Cawood reviewed the Annual School Performance report.

3. **Committee Reports:** Finance Committee chair Todd Slisher will provide an update on the March 2, 2022 Curriculum Committee meeting.
 - EL Education is working well and is proving to be impactful for students.
 - Eureka Math is being reviewed by 3 FCCA teachers, they may be piloting a new math curriculum.
 - Instructional staffing for both the school and the institutions will be increasing for the 2022-2023 school year, due to growth at the school.
 - Update on the possibility of FCCA High School.

4. **From the Public:**

- Donelle Ketchum addressed the board about her concerns on masks and a personnel matter.

5. Correspondence: None

H. ACTION ITEMS:

Reports, Recommendations, Resolutions:

a. **Resolution Supporting Full Funding of IDEA:** Genesee Intermediate School District Superintendent, Dr. Steven Tunnicliff, has asked that local school district's boards of education consider passing a resolution advocating for full funding of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA). As the special education population continues to increase, it is important that schools receive full IDEA funding. **We recommend your support of this resolution.** Moved by Karima Amlani-Bostick, supported by Lamont Richardson. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

a. **Acceptance of Contributions:** The following contributions/donations have been offered to the Academy:

- Genesee Education Consultant Services (GECS) donated \$10,000 for student activities.

We recommend you accept the contributions and direct the CEO to express the Board's gratitude in writing.

Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Karima Amlani-Bostick. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

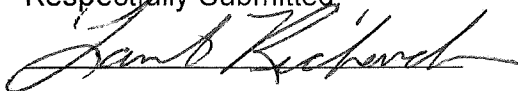
I. Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board (from Board Members): Kay Schwartz shared that the Flint Public Library will have its ribbon cutting ceremony on May 19th.

J. Future Meeting Date:

Next Special Meeting: April 11, 5:30 pm

K. ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Rodney Lontine, supported by John Henry, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully Submitted:



Lamont Richardson, Board Secretary
Flint Cultural Center Academy