

FLINT CULTURAL CENTER ACADEMY

Board of Education

February 14, 2022

5:30pm

Flint Cultural Center Academy Conference Room

APPROVED MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Renita Bingham
Lamont Richardson
Kay Schwartz
Todd Slisher

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Henry, Rodney Lontine

ADMINISTRATION: Eric Lieske

STAFF: Amy Tamalunas

OTHER GUESTS: Matt Cawood, Karima Amlani-Bostick, Michael Fordham, Patrice Harris, DelRicco Washington, Ryan Castiglione

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 5:32 pm.
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Todd Slisher.
- C. **ROLL CALL:** Amy Tamalunas read the roll. Members present: Lamont Richardson, Kay Schwartz, Todd Slisher, Renita Bingham
- 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 Lamont Richardson, supported Kay Schwartz, to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2022, meeting. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

F. COMMUNICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

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

- Black History Month Projects (Gallery Walk 3.9.2022 4:30-6:30)
- Gearing up for Read Across America Month
- Data Days: Grade levels are reviewing student achievement/growth data
- Hearts for Hurley Foundation Fundraiser
- MDE CSP Grant Update
- Intersession Feb. 21-24
- Enrollment for 2022-2023
- FCCA Benchmark Assessment Data/NWEA Proficiency and Growth Data
- Extended Continuation of Learning Plan/ESSER Budget Plans

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

- The results of the GVSU School Performance Report are in and will be shared at March's board meeting.
- The Flint Cultural Center Academy has been awarded the GVSU K-8 Academic Grant, which is up for acceptance on this evening's agenda.
- There are two board members whose term will expire at the end of this school year, John Henry and Lamont Richardson. Both members have indicated that they would like to be appointed. Recommendation for reappointment is on this evening's agenda.
- GVSU will meet later in the week to reappoint Karima Amlani-Bostick to FCCA's board.

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.

- Michael Fordham introduced two members of the Crim Fitness Foundation that have joined the afterschool team: Patrice Harris and DelRicco Washington.

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. **Approval of “Additional Site” Application:** In preparation to provide a high school experience to our students and families, Grand Valley State University requires the Academy to submit an “Additional Site” application. A copy of the completed application has been previously distributed to board members for review. **We recommend that the GVSU Additional Site application be approved.** Moved by Lamont Richardson, supported by Kay Schwartz. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.
- b. **Approval of 2020-2021 Grand Valley State University K-8 Academic Grant:** We recently received communication from Don Cooper, Assistant Vice President for Charter Schools at GVSU, that the Flint Cultural Center Academy has been awarded \$6,720 for the K-8 Academic Grant. This grant is based upon board members attending training and student assessment performance. **We recommend that the GVSU K-8 Academic Grant in the amount of \$6,720 be approved.** Moved by Renita Bingham, supported by Lamont Richardson. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.
- c. **Reappointment of Flint Cultural Center Academy Board Members John Henry and Lamont Richardson:** Board member terms for John Henry and Lamont Richardson are scheduled to expire at the end of this school year. Both board members have indicated they would like to be reappointed for an additional term and have completed the necessary paperwork. **It is recommended that John Henry and Lamont Richardson be reappointed to Serve an additional board term on the Flint Cultural Center Academy Board of Directors.** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Renita Bingham. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.
- d. **Acceptance of Contributions:** The following contributions/donations have been offered to the Academy:

A donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, donated 8 winter coats to the Academy to distribute to students in need. **We recommend you accept the contributions and direct the CEO to express the Board’s gratitude in writing.**

Moved by Renita Bingham, supported by Lamont Richardson. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

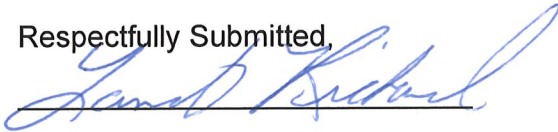
I. OTHER MATTERS WHICH MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD (from Board members)

J. **FUTURE MEETING DATE**

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting: Monday, March 14, 2022, at 5:30 pm

K. **ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Lamont Richardson on, to adjourn the meeting at 6:21 pm. The motion was carried with a vote of 4-yes, 0-no.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lamont Richardson, Board Secretary

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