

# FLINT CULTURAL CENTER ACADEMY

## Board of Education

May 8, 2023

5:30 PM

Flint Cultural Center Academy

## APPROVED MINUTES

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karima Amlani-Bostick  
Renita Bingham  
Tracee Glab  
Rodney Lontine  
Lamont Richardson  
Todd Slisher  
Kay Schwartz

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**ADMINISTRATION:** Eric Lieske

**STAFF:** Chris Bilkos, Chelsey Nolan, Gabrielle Holmes-Scott

**OTHER GUESTS:** Bill Haley, Brooke Franklin, Micah Scott, Amina Clements, Shelly Tingay, James Tingay, Greg Nolan, Miya Nolan, Capri Nolan, Milan Scott, Sydney Scott, Jaxon Scott, Kayden Scott

### **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 5:34 pm.
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Todd Slisher.
- C. **ROLL CALL:** Chris Bilkos read the roll. Members present: Karima Amlani-Bostick, Renita Bingham (arrived 5:40pm), Tracee Glab, Rodney Lontine, Lamont Richardson, Kay Schwartz, Todd Slisher.
- D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Moved by Tracee Glab, supported by Lamont Richardson, to approve the agenda. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported Tracee Glab, to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2023, meeting. The motion was carried with a vote of 6-yes, 0-no.

F. **COMMUNICATIONS:**

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

- Introduction of Chelsey Nolan and Gabby Holmes-Scott
- Teacher Appreciation Week @ FCCA
- American Rescue Plan/ESSER III Update
- MDE CSP Update
- Spring Testing Update: M-STEP, PSAT 8 and NWEA
- Literacy & Math Night May 3
- Better World Day May 5
- Parent Satisfaction Survey
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington DC Trip
- Middle school sports update
- End of the year events

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

- Charter schools across Michigan will celebrate National Charter Schools Week from May 8-14.
- Reminder that budget hearing notices must be placed in a newspaper of general circulation at least 6 days prior to the budget hearing.
- Detroit Principals meeting will be on May 18 at the GVSU Detroit Center. More information to follow.
- Social Studies series with National Constitution Center.
- Board Training: May 22 – School Board Strategic Planning 4:00pm – 5:00pm, June 29 – Best Board Practices: Using an Efficient Governance Committee Structure 4:00pm – 5:00pm
- New Requirements for Charter Schools: The House Appropriations Subcommittee has proposed new requirements that charter schools would need to meet for schools to receive funding. Under the proposal, charter public schools would need to:
  - Audits. Conduct an annual financial audit and post this audit online. (Note that schools should be able to satisfy this requirement by ensuring currently required audits are complete and posted in a timely manner.)
  - FOIA. Ensure that their management organization complies with the Freedom of Information Act in the same way as all school districts do.

- Monthly board meetings. Hold monthly board meetings that are subject to the Open Meetings Act
  - Key Pending Legislation. Key bills advancing through the Michigan Legislature are:
    - A-F Accountability System (HB 4166).
    - Teacher Certification and Reciprocity (SBs 161 and 162).
3. **Committee Reports:** Finance Committee member Karima Amlani-Bostick provided an update on the Finance Committee meeting that met on May 5, 2023.
4. **From the Public:**
- Anima Clements – Asked questions regarding food services; how the items on the menu are picked, and if we can offer more choices.
5. **Correspondence:** None

**G. ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **Reports, Recommendations, Resolutions:**
- a. **Approval of the contract with Chartwells Dining Services for Flint Cultural Center Academy for the 2023-2024 school year.** It is recommended to approve the contract with Chartwells Dining services. Moved by Karima Amlani-Bostick, supported by Lamont Richardson to approve the contract with Chartwells Dining Services. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.
  - b. **Approval of Third Quarter Financials and Accounts Payable:** The Finance Committee reviewed the third quarterly financials and accounts payable at the May 5, 2023, committee meeting. The Finance Committee supports the quarterly financial activity. It is recommended that the quarter financials and accounts payable be approved as presented. Moved by Kay Schwartz, supported by Karima Amlani-Bostick to approve the third quarter financials and accounts payable. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.
  - c. **Approval of American Rescue Plan ESSER III:** Tonight, FCCA CEO Eric Lieske will provide an update to the FCCA plan for utilizing American Rescue Plan and ESSER III funds. It is recommended to approve this

plan. Moved by Renita Bingham, supported by Lamont Richardson, to approve American Rescue Plan and ESSER III plan. The motion was carried with a vote of 7-yes, 0-no.

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

I. Future Meeting Date:

Next Meeting: June 12, 2023, 5:30 pm

Special Meeting: June 26, 2023, 5:30 pm (budget hearing)

J. ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Lamont Richardson, supported by Kay Schwartz on, 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