

W-A-Y Michigan
407 E. Fort St., Suite 201, Detroit, MI 48226
(313) 638-2716
Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
Date: December 16, 2020
Time: 6:00 pm
MINUTES

I. Call to Order by the President at 6:02

Roll Call:

Bogart X
Brown X
Donoghue X
Long X

II. Approval of Agenda – Board President Gregory Brown asked to add approval of minutes of closed session annual meeting 11/18/20 under Item IV.

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Jesse Donoghue to approve the December 16, 2020 agenda as amended. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Bogart Aye
Brown Aye
Donoghue Aye
Long Aye

III. Call to the Public

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of W-A-Y Michigan in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. We now invite members of the public to address the Board and share any thoughts or concerns regarding agenda items only.

None.

IV. Approval of Minutes Annual Meeting November 18, 2020 and Closed Session Minutes from November 18, 2020 Annual Meeting

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Mandi Bogart to approve the November 18, 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes and the November 18, 2020 Closed Session Annual Meeting Minutes, as presented. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Bogart Aye
Brown Aye
Donoghue Aye
Long Aye

V. Educational Service Provider Report
Superintendent/Director

James Milleditch shared information around the Fall NWEA testing that was recently conducted and provided this information to the board virtually. Board member Jesse Donoghue inquired as to what is the median average? James indicated the median average was provided by NWEA.

Mr. Milleditch shared his board report with the board prior to the meeting and that in the month of November, we had a decrease of 7 researchers. We are below our Fall count of 191. We will be looking to enroll more researchers and maintain enrollment of around 191. Our goal is to minimize researchers leaving between Fall and Spring count.

In November, our biggest change was a decrease in our 9th grade cohorts. We lost researchers from our 9th grade cohort. We plan to see the cohorts stay mostly the same. Right now, we have 1 senior that is on pace to graduate before the Winter Break. Our goal is to increase our 3-year cohort of researchers through maintaining our middle school and 9th grade cohorts until graduation.

Our online attendance dropped 8 percent from October to November. That being said, our attendance is 2 percent higher than November 2019. Our goal for the 2020-21 school year is to increase our online attendance to 80%. I believe that we can do this through our work with our attendance liaison and biweekly team leader meetings to evaluate student progress.

Our total credit in November has decreased by 15 credits. This is equal to the total amount of credit that our researchers earned in November 2019. We believe that a focus on providing additional academic support and reviewing how to complete projects completely will continue to help with credit attainment.

Our average credit attainment decreased by .06 credit from October to November. We ended up .04 credit higher than November 2019. We hope to increase the credit average to over .60. In meetings with the Director and Team Leaders, we hope to continue to work towards increasing the number of researchers on the Honor Roll each month.

In November, we had only one cohort that did not decrease, which was our 11th grade cohort. Our 12th grade cohort decreased for the second month in a row by .11 credit. We will need to target our senior class going forward to make sure they will be on track to graduate in June. Our middle school researchers are outperforming our high school researchers. I believe we will see great progress from our middle school cohort this year.

Points of Pride:

1. 53% of our researchers made it on the honor roll for November. This is an 11% increase from September 2019. We send out prizes of the researchers choosing for Gold (1.0+ Credit) and Silver (.70-1.0 Credit). Our Bronze (.50-.70 Credit) receive a certificate for being on the Honor Roll.
2. Our E-Sports Team participated in the Michigan High School E-Sports Federation Fall Rocket League Playoffs. Our team ended the 24th seed out of 33 teams. We ended up losing 0-3 against the 9th seeded Charlotte High School. We look forward to participating in the Spring season starting in February.
3. WAY Michigan has rolled out our Multiple Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) plan for students. We used the students' attendance, credit attainment, and MAP Growth scores to target 15

researchers to receive tiered support in reading and mathematics. We are looking forward to tracking the growth these researchers make this year.

4. The School Improvement Plan (SIP) Team met in November to discuss the new Michigan school improvement process. We started a conversation on how to create our data stories and look forward to reviewing the new state website being rolled out in January.

VI. Treasurer Report

A. Discussion Items:

1. November 2020 Financial Statements

Thea Daniels shared information around the November 2020 Financials and provided the board with this information prior to the meeting and virtually during the meeting.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept November 2020 Financial Statements

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Amy Long to accept the November 2020 Financial Statements, as presented. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Bogart Aye

Brown Aye

Donoghue Aye

Long Aye

VII. Correspondence

Board President Gregory Brown indicated that Board Member Jesse Donoghue received an email pertaining to the conflict-of-interest disclosure. Board Member Jesse Donoghue asked how the form should be returned? Board President Brown indicated that it could be printed, completed and returned to the CM Liaison Jennifer Joubert prior to January 4, 2021.

VIII. Central Michigan University liaison updates

CM Liaison Jennifer Joubert wanted to thank James M Heddich for attending the recent webinar. Jennifer Joubert indicated the COO for WAY Program contacted her earlier today regarding information around the school's physical location.

IX. Old Business

A. Discussion Items:

None

B. Action Items:

None

X. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Audit Management Response Letter – Letter was shared with the board on the board portal.
2. Accounts Payable report approval

Board President Gregory Brown shared information around this and indicated the report had previously been uploaded to the board portal.

B. Action Items

1. Approve Audit Management Response Letter

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Mandi Bogart to approve the Audit Management Response Letter, as amended. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote
Bogart __Aye__
Brown __Aye__
Donoghue __Aye__
Long __

2. Approve Accounts Payable report approval

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Mandi Bogart to approve the Accounts Payable Report, as presented. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote
Bogart __Aye__
Brown __Aye__
Donoghue __Aye__
Long __

XI. Call to the Public

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None.

XII. Adjournment at 6:33 pm

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Amy Long to adjourn at 6:33 pm. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Bogart __Aye__

Brown __Aye__

Donoghue __Aye__

Long __Aye__

A copy of the meeting minutes are available for public inspection at the offices of WAY Program, 407 E. Fort St. Suite 201, Detroit, MI 48226 within 8 business days for proposed minutes and within 5 business days of approval for approved minutes. Approved minutes will be posted on the WAY Academy's website <http://www.wayprogram.net>. Public notice of this meeting was posted as required by the Open Meetings Act.

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Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of December 16, 2020 Regular meeting
respectfully submitted,

Maudi Bogart

Board Secretary

01/27/2021

Date

Signature Certificate

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