

W-A-Y Michigan
407 E. Fort St., Suite 201, Detroit, MI 48226
(313) 638-2716
Board of Directors' Regular Meeting
Date: January 20, 2021
Time: 6:00 pm
MINUTES

<https://wayprogram.zoom.us/j/91841199008>

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

Roll Call:

Bogart X - Wayne County, MI
Brown X - Macomb County, MI
Donoghue X - Wayne County, MI
Long X - Oakland County, MI

II. Approval of Agenda – Board President Gregory Brown requested to amend the agenda adding under Sub Section V – Closed Meeting Session pursuant to Section 8b of the Closed Meeting Act to discuss expulsion of a scholar per the parent's request.

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Mandi Bogart to approve the January 20, 2021 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 Regular Meeting December 16, 2020.

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Amy Long to approve the December 16, 2020 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

- a. Closed Session pursuant to Section 8b of the Closed Meeting Act to discuss expulsion of a scholar per the parent's request – It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Mandi Bogart to go into closed session. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Bogart __Aye__

Brown __Aye__

Donoghue __Aye__

Long __Aye__

Board went into Closed Session

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Amy Long to return to the Board Meeting open session. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Bogart __Aye__

Brown __Aye__

Donoghue __Aye__

Long __Aye__

Superintendent/Director

Superintendent Madeline Black shared information around completion of title grants on behalf of WAY Michigan. We are moving towards providing tutoring supports for our students. The Tree of Life sessions have begun providing social and emotional supports for some of our students. We have incorporated this for those students who are on a recommit plan.

WAY Michigan Director, James Middleditch, had previously provided the board with his monthly board report, however, wanted to share some Points of Pride.

Points of Pride

56% of researchers met honor roll for December 2020, which is a 12% increase compared to December 2019.

Six Seniors qualify for the Priority Researcher List (these are students who are aging out or have under 2 credits needed to graduate who will receive additional supports to help them achieve their graduation goal).

Our English and Social Studies expert has been working on a Reading Club for our students.

Two students completed dual enrollment for the Fall. They earned a total of 9 credits between the two of them with a 3.5 GPA.

Ms. Black shared that we are going into Winter testing for our students. We will present this information to the Board as it becomes available.

Board President Gregory Brown inquired about the Micro School program and asked for information around this.

Superintendent Black shared information around this program to the board. Board President Gregory Brown shared on two negative comments that had been shared on Social Media pertaining to this program.

VI. Treasurer Report

A. Discussion Items:

1. December 2020 Financial Statements

Thea Daniels shared information around the December 2020 Financials and provided the board with this information prior to the meeting, as well as, virtually during the meeting.

B. Action Items:

1. Accept December 2020 Financial Statements

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Jesse Donoghue to accept the December 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

None.

VIII. Central Michigan University liaison updates

CMU Liaison Jennifer Joubert shared her thanks to the Board for their service as January is Board Appreciation Month. Ms. Joubert shared a reminder of the Board vacancy that all been working to fill. CMU has been working with Paul Ferchee (WAY staff) around the lease and contract amendment.

Board President Gregory Brown shared thanks for the cup that was provided to the Board members from CMU.

IX. Old Business

A. Discussion Items:

None

B. Action Items:

None

X. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Contract Amendment Request Resolution - Building Relocation

Superintendent Black shared information around a possible building relocation to the Southwest Detroit area. We currently have a need for a smaller space which is available within Southwest Detroit. There would be a significant savings with this relocation. The move could provide an estimated savings of \$1,500 per month. Ms. Black shared additional information around the contract amendment request resolution and questionnaire, which would be required for this potential relocation.

Board member Amy Long asked that Superintendent Black provide the Board with a detailed email with bullet points pertaining to how the current space is used by students. Ms. Long also asked that pictures and video of the new space be shared with the Board. James Middleditch shared information around how the current space is currently used for students. Mr. Middleditch indicated that due to the size of the space, we are limited allowing only two students to come in at one time. Ms. Black shared the new space would be larger to accommodate more students that may need to come in at one time.

Board member Long asked if we can use our current space for testing? Superintendent Black indicated the current building is listed as a testing site.

Board Member Mandi Bogart asked if bullet point items could be shared with the Board around the new space sharing any safety issues. Ms. Black shared the new location is already listed as a Green Light School. Ms. Black indicated she would provide this information to the Board.

Board President Gregory Brown asked if we are looking at any other site locations? Ms. Black indicated this is the first site they have looked at as it already has a valid certificate of occupancy.

Board member Amy Long asked if there is any historical documentation as to why the current WAY Michigan site was selected? Ms. Black indicated she would inquire on this and advise the Board. Board President Gregory Brown indicated that he would like to see a listing of where most of our student population resides. Ms. Black will provide this information to the Board.

CMU Liaison Jennifer Joubert shared that February is the deadline for submitting the Contract Amendment Request Resolution.

2. Accounts Payable report approval

Board President Gregory Brown and Thea Daniels shared information around the Accounts Payable report approval. Thea Daniels indicated the information has been shared with the Board via the Board Portal. Board President Brown inquired on a couple of reimbursement charges and gift card charges which Thea Daniels addressed.

B. Action Items

1. Approve Contract Amendment Request Resolution - Building Relocation

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Jesse Donoghue to table the Contract Amendment Request Resolution until the February meeting. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Bogart__Aye__

Brown__Aye__

Donoghue__Aye__

Long__Aye__

2. Approve Accounts Payable report

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Amy Long 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__Aye__

WAY Program Director Rich Klemm wanted to share his thanks to the board for their service and to the WAY Michigan staff who are doing a great job.

XI. Call to the Public

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None.

XII. Adjournment at 6:54 pm

It was moved by Gregory Brown and seconded by Mandi Bogart to adjourn at 6:54 pm. All members voted with Aye. There were none opposed. Passed unanimously.

Roll Call Vote:

Bogart __Aye__

Brown __Aye__

Donoghue __Aye__

Long __Aye__

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Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of January 20, 2021 Regular meeting respectfully submitted,

Maudi Bogart

Board Secretary

02/24/2021

Date

Signature Certificate

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