

<b>WAY MICHIGAN ACADEMY</b>
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**REGULAR MEETING  
 WAY MICHIGAN ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DATE: 2/16/2022  
 TIME: 6:00 ☒ p.m. / ☐ a.m.  
 LOCATION: WAY MICHIGAN ACADEMY  
 8701 W. VERNOR HWY  
 DETROIT, MI 48209

APPROVED

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<b>MINUTES</b>
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MEETING TYPE:    ☒ REGULAR    ☐ SPECIAL    ☐ PROPOSED    ☒ APPROVED

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

~~PRESIDENT GREGORY BROWN, JR.~~ VICE-PRESIDENT AMY LONG called the meeting to order at 6:10 ☒ P.M./ ☐ A.M. on Wednesday, February 16, 2022.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Mr. Gregory Brown, Jr., President, Board of Directors	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mrs. Amy Long, Vice-President, Board of Directors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mrs. Mandi Bogart, Secretary, Board of Directors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Jesse Donoghue, Treasurer, Board of Directors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

**ADMINISTRATION**

Mr. Isaiah Pettway, Superintendent, WAY Michigan Academy  
 Ms. Trena Braswell, Director of Charter Schools, WAY Michigan Academy  
 Mr. James Middleditch, Director of Programs, WAY Michigan Academy  
 Ms. Jean Pashakarnis, WAY Michigan Academy

**OTHERS PRESENT (all or a portion of the meeting)**

Mrs. Vanessa Gulley, Board Liaison, Provision  
 Mr. Jonathan Trout, Authorizer Representative, The Center for Charters, CMU

***THE PROPOSED AGENDA WAS DISTRIBUTED.***

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**I. PUBLIC COMMENT** *(on agenda items only)*

No public comment.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2022 MEETING AGENDA**

**MOTION:** VICE-PRESIDENT AMY LONG MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY MEETING AGENDA.

**SUPPORT:** SECRETARY MANDI BOGART SECONDED.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

**III. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 26, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION:** VICE-PRESIDENT AMY LONG MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 26, 2022 MEETING MINUTES.

**SUPPORT:** SECRETARY MANDI BOGART SECONDED.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

**IV. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**a. DECEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PRESENTED BY MS. JEAN PASHAKARNIS**

- i. State Aid received in the amount of 155,200.11
- ii. Funds owed to WAY Mich as of 12/31/2021
  1. AP 140,186.62
  2. Payroll 41,135.22
  3. Funds transferred to WAY Mich 181,321.84
- iii. New invoices 102,459.81
- iv. New invoices in the amount of 154,281
- v. Requesting a transfer of 146,223.93
- vi. Received funds from the ESSER II grant in the amount of 9k

**The Board asked how funds became so tight so quickly. Mr. Pettway** responded that the cash flow challenges occurred due to spending more of the general funds to cover the cost of what would have been covered by the grant funds.

- Title I- \$81,624.00
- Title II A- \$18,705.00
- Title IV- \$10,322.00
  - Total of all grant funds upward of 82K
  - All Title I and II funds are all staff positions and monies will be able to go back into the general fund

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**V. ACTION ITEMS**

**MOTION: VICE-PRESIDENT AMY LONG MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FUND TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$146,223.93, TO BE TRANSFERED AFTER FEBRUARY 25, 2022 OR UPON RECEIPT OF THE STATE AID FUNDS.**

**SUPPORT: SECRETARY MANDI BOGART SECONDED.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

**VI. ESP REPORTS****a. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT BY MR. PETTWAY**

- i. Ann Reaves has been hired in to replace Jean and will be in the next meeting
- ii. Tom Tebo has been contracted for the next 90 days to work with Jean and ensure that no issues are missed
- iii. Recruitment and Enrollment
  1. Completed the second count day and no decrease in enrollment, actually increased
    - a. 15 audited 25E students
    - b. Have to verify count over the next 4 weeks; with students having to complete a project to be counted for count day
- iv. In conversation with the Drive Program who has 16 student already enrolled with the program. A relationship with them would allow WAY Mich to be the academic arm for their current program
  1. Also in conversation with Oakland Family Services
- v. In the midst of testing and are preparing for WIDA; only 8 students testing
  1. Treasurer would like to see the historical WIDA scores
- vi. MSTEP and PSAT forthcoming
- vii. Spring benchmark testing forthcoming as well
- viii. Additional graduates in the month of January
- ix. All positions still filled; looking to create an additional para-pro position
- x. Gearing up for ESSER III Community Forum and will then move forward with a plan to expend those funds
  1. 58% of surveys returned
- xi. WAY Mich is certified again as an Alternative Ed sight and will receive a summary of progress as opposed to a letter grade
- xii. Celebrating James and Alex; went through 25E students with no findings
- xiii. A proposed budget will be presented in May for next academy year
- xiv. Budget revisions will be presented at the March Board meeting
  1. Treasurer Donohue inquired about the tight funds and asked what would happen if the funds did not come to cover payroll.

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**Superintendent Pettway** advised the Board that if the funds were not received, WAY program would do what is necessary to cover payroll costs.

**b. DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS BY MR. JAMES MIDDLEDITCH**

- i. 51% of researchers available for honor roll
- ii. 7.9% with 0 credit for January
- iii. 1<sup>st</sup> virtual field trip on ¾
- iv. Current count 187
- v. PA48 Growth Report
  - 1. Review of MAP Growth testing results

**VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. None**

**VIII. CMU LIAISON UPDATE**

**a. MR. J. TROUT NOTED:**

- i. Commended team on PA48 report; most comprehensive received thus far
- ii. BDS Webinar 2/23 on Social Emotional Learning forthcoming, can register on CMUCSO website
- iii. 3/16 in Lansing will have a panel discussion on the Future of Michigan Education at the Cooley Law School
- iv. Will have the annual conference on August 26, 2022
  - 1. VP Long asked that future dates be added to the agenda for the Board

**IX. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. None**

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Open Discussion for the Board**

- a. None**

**b. Contract Amendments**

- a. There are no contract amendments being recommended at this time**

**XI. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT**

**None**

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**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: VICE-PRESIDENT AMY LONG MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:10 ☒ P.M./ ☐ A.M.**

**SUPPORT: SECRETARY MANDI BOGART SECONDED.**

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ROLL CALL VOTE.**

**MINUTES CERTIFICATION**

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,



Recording Secretary

2/16/2022

Date

Approved by the WAY Michigan Academy Board of Directors:



Mandi Bogart (Mar 16, 2022 18:52 EDT)

Board Secretary

Option 1

Date

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