

**Blended Learning Academies  
1754 E Clark Rd.  
Lansing MI 48906**

*Approved*

**~~Proposed~~ Regular Meeting Minutes  
December 14, 2021  
6:00 pm**

**Mission:**

**Blended Learning Academies supports the emotional and academic strengths of 9-12 grade students in an educational environment that encourages all students to meet or exceed their intellectual and personal potential.**

**Vision:**

**Blended Learning Academies will cultivate a supportive learning environment that exposes students, through innovative teaching and learning practices, to events, opportunities, and environments that will help them become successful and productive citizens in college, work, and life.**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Marcus Kirkpatrick called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Present: Marcus Kirkpatrick, Beth Schorffhaar, Megan Tressel, Meagan Mahoney and Amy Hovey

Absent: Bill Jaconette

**Other present: Tim Brannan, Greg Morris, Raelynn Johns and Sue Wakefield**

**II. Public Comment\* (limited to agenda items only)**

None

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Amy Hovey moved to approve the agenda. Support by Megan Tressel. Unanimously carried by those present.

**IV. Consent Calendar**

- a. Approval of proposed Regular and Special Minutes November 9, 2021  
Beth Schorffhaar moved to approve the regular and special minutes from November 9, 2021. Supported by Amy Hovey. Unanimously carried by those present.

**V. Correspondence**

- a. FSU Board Communication
  - December Board Communication including in that communication was onboarding process and suggestions of new board members
  - Mid – Year Contract – great commentary and reviews from FSU and very impressed with the process.

## **VI. Treasurer's Report**

### **a. Financial Statements**

- Reviewed the monthly financials and discussed the reward for staff.
- ESSER III survey to come out in January

## **VII. New Business**

### **a. Mid Contract Review – Report Response Form**

- Performance review overview found 100% compliant on all requirements, very strong fund balance, more importantly no testing due to COVID 19 and MDE postponement of those tests.
- Focused on the growth areas from the last contract review and analyzed the advancements from that review. The district exceeded all expectations in all areas of growth.
- FSU noted that they were pleased with staff retention.
- Moving forward Blended Learning Academies future goal is to continue to increase student engagement.

Moved by Megan Tressel supported by Megan Mahoney that we reviewed and understand the CSO Expectations and support the completion of the Mid-Contract or Reauthorization Review Report. Unanimously carried by those present.

### **b. Livonia Buildout - Invoice**

- Discussed invoice to property management for construction and the facilities upgrade at the Livonia campus to increase security measures at that building. The invoice was under the board limit.

## **VIII. Old Business**

## **IX. Ferris State University**

### **a. Fiscal Scorecard**

- Decided to discuss in further detail in January.

## **X. Extended Public Comment (non-agenda items only)\***

NONE

## **XI. Business/Management Report**

### **a. School Leader/Curriculum Director Update**

- In one month we've enrolled a significant number of students at both the Lansing and Livonia campus.
- Completed a lock down drill in the past month and stressed the importance the district is taking on safety measures.
- With FSU partnership will do audit of safety to see if any more improvements can be completed.
- Discussed development of new curriculum and stressed the goal is creating ownership of the materials and allow for flexibility and

modifications to curriculum used. The development will be a multi-year project.

b. Management Company Update

- Elizabeth Schorfhaar will be not renewing her term and her last date of service is 6.30.22. This make three vacancies on the board.
- Three candidates to replace the open vacancies are in the process of filling out applications.
- The management company appreciates all the board members and the work they do here for the students.

**XII. Extended Public Comment (non-agenda items only)\***

**XIII. Comments from the Board**

**XIV. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date: January 11, 2022**

**XV. Adjournment**

Megan Tressel moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:41pm. Supported by Amy Hovey.  
Unanimously carried by those present.

*Prepared By: Raelynn Johns*

*Approved by:*

*Date:*

*1-11-2022*

