

Blended Learning Academies
1754 E Clark Rd.
Lansing MI 48906

Approved

~~Proposed~~ Regular Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2023 - 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: Louis Schiavone, Bill Jaconette, Phillip McKinney, Darin Southworth, Amy Hovey, Marcus Kirkpatrick

Absent: Meagan Mahoney

Others Present: Tim Brannan, Greg Morris, Christine Bennett, Susan Wakefield, Raelynn Johns and Kate Travis

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

None

III. Approval of Agenda

Louis Schiavone moved to approve the agenda. Supported by Darin Southworth.
Unanimously carried by those present.

IV. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of proposed Regular and Special Minutes December 13, 2022

Louis Schiavone moved to approve the regular and special meeting minutes as presented.
Supported by Amy Hovey. Unanimously carried by those present.

V. Correspondence

- a. FSU Board Communication

Susan Wakefield reviewed the FSU Board Communication. Thanked the Board for their service and provided a gift on behalf of FSU.

VI. Treasurer's Report

- a. Financial Statements

Raelynn Johns provided an overview of the financial statements. Highlighted payment for two students to attend the Wilson Talent Center.

Darin Southworth moved to approve the financial statements as presented. Supported by Louis Schiavone. Unanimously carried by those present.

VII. New Business

a. NCSI - Fall Board Policy Updates

Amy Hovey moved to approve the board policy updates as presented. Supported by Louis Schiavone. Unanimously carried by those present.

VIII. Old Business

a. PA System Add/Update – Lansing Campus

Tabled until February when additional quotes are available.

IX. Business/Management Report

a. School Leader/Curriculum Director Update

Greg Morris provided updates around day to day school operations and Livonia – Including Active Shooter Training, MI Works/Capitol Day and Spring Apprenticeship Fair.

The Board requested a Livonia specific update at a future meeting around Livonia students demographics and enrollments.

b. Management Company Update

None

X. Ferris State University

Susan Wakefield covered the following items:

Reviewed the Blended Academies FSU Fiscal Scorecard. Blended Academies met all standards.

Provided an update on possible updates to legislation regarding Charter Schools and Management Companies

Scholarship opportunities to Ferris State University for Blended graduates.

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

None

XII. Comments from the Board

Darin Southworth provided an overview of professional development he attended around staff retention and teacher burnout, development, keeping the environment comfortable/attractive and “stay” – interview questions.

XIII. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date: February 14, 2023

XIV. Adjournment

Louis Schiavone moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:59pm. Supported by Phillip McKinney. Unanimously carried by those present.

Prepared by: Kate Travis Date: 1/19/2023

Approved by:



Date: 3/14/23