

Blended Learning Academies
1754 E Clark Rd.
Lansing MI 48906

Approved

~~Proposed~~ Regular Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2024
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 6:03.
Informational Meeting until 6:13pm

Present: Marcus Kirkpatrick, Darin Southworth, Amy Hovey and Melissa Leigh (6:13pm)
Absent: Bill Jaconette and Louis Schiavone
Others Present: Chris Loiselle, Beth Taylor, Margaret Baker, Susan Wakefield, Tim Brannan, Greg Morris, David Stibich and Kate Travis

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

III. Approval of Agenda

Amy Hovey moved to approve the agenda. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present.

IV. Consent Calendar

a. Approval of proposed Regular Minutes September 10, 2024
Darin Southworth moved to approve the proposed regular minutes. Supported by Amy Hovey. Unanimously carried by those present.

V. Correspondence

a. FSU Board Communication
Susan Wakefield provided an overview of the Board Communications. Highlighted the FSU competitive grant opportunity and important Epicenter submission dates.

VI. Treasurer's Report

a. Financial Statements
David Stibich provided an overview of the September and October financial packets.

Amy Hovey moved to approve the September financial packet as presented. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present. –

VII. New Business

a. Emergency Virtual Learning Day(s) – Plan for Board Approval

Kate Travis presented the Emergency Virtual Learning Day Plan. Discussed purpose and intent. Discussion was held.

Melissa Leigh moved to approve the plan as presented. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present.

b. Blended Academies Curriculum – Canvas

Greg Morris and Kate Travis provided an overview of the process and curriculum submitted for the July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2029 contract renewal which was then approved by MDE.

Amy Hovey moved to approve the July 1, 2024 June 30, 2029 curriculum. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present.

VIII. Old Business

a. SRO/MSP Update

Marcus Kirkpatrick met with Chief Matt Merony to discuss details of the SRO Grant. Is pleased with the current partnership.

IX. Business/Management Report

a. School Leader/Curriculum Director Update

Greg Morris provided an update and overview of a successful year this far, including:

- Field Trip – Zoo
- Dance
- Capitol Area Manufacturing – Upcoming Presentation – 12/11/24
- Virtual Health Career – Livonia
- Career Quest – Livonia
- Mr. Morris read an student essay – student positive connection with Blended
- SEL, Trails, Panorama

b. Management Company Update

Kate Travis provided an update on

- Student Count: 187 total, Livonia, Lansing and Online.
- Livonia Lease
- Quality Performance Report Results
- FSU Competitive Grant Submitted - Robotics

X. Ferris State University

Introductions by: Chris Loiselle, Beth Taylor and Margaret Baker.

Beth Taylor: Reviewed the academic indicators in the Contract Performance Report (CPR), provided an overview of the consistent color coding and discussed Academic

Indicators for School Support – Alternative Education Academies. Discussed potential improvements for future academic indicators within the CPR.

Chris Loiselle: Reviewed all aspects of the financial data in the CPR. Reviewed Fiscal Indicators for School Support.

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

XII. Comments from the Board

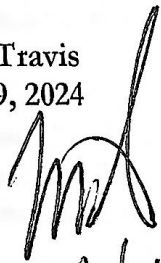
XIII. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date: December 10, 2024

XIV. Adjournment

Darin Southworth moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm. Supported by Amy Hovey. Unanimously carried by those present.

Prepared by: Kate Travis
Date: November 19, 2024

Approved by:
Date:


12/10/2024