Blended Learning Academies
1754 E Clark Rd.
Lansing MI 48906
Approved
~~Proposed~~ Regular Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2026
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 6:05pm.
Present: Marcus Kirkpatrick, Elizabeth Curry, Amy Hovey, Darin Southworth and Bill Jaconette.
Absent: Melissa Leigh
Others Present: Tiim Brannan, Marcelle Monchanin Susan Wakefield, David Stibich and Kate Travis

II. Public Comment* (limited to agenda items only)
None

III. Approval of Agenda
Bill Jaconette moved to approve the agenda. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present.

IV. Consent Calendar
a. Approval of proposed June 9, 2026 meeting minutes
Darin Southworth moved to approve the minutes as presented. Supported by Elizabeth Curry. Unanimously carried by those present.

V. Correspondence
a. FSU Board Communication
Sue Wakefield provided an overview of the upcoming Mid-Contract Review process.

VI. Treasurer's Report
a. Financial Statements
David Stibich provided an overview of the June and July financial statements.

Amy Hovey moved to approve the June Financial Statements. Supported by Elizabeth Curry. Unanimously carried by those present.

VII. New Business

a. Stronger Connections Grant Program

Amy Hovey moved to approve relinquish additional awarded state funds on the competitive Title IV, Part A Stronger Connections Grant Program. Supported by Elizabeth Curry. Unanimously carried by those present.

b. Resolution to change Livonia Building from a Traditional School Code to an Ancillary Learning Facility om the Educational Entity Master (EEM)

Bill Jaconette moved to approve the resolution to reclassify Blended Learning Academies – Livonia (School Code 03999) to an Ancillary Learning Facility. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present.

VIII. Old Business

IX. Business/Management Report

a. School Leader/Curriculum Director Update

- Teachers return for professional development September 1, 2026. 3 Full days of PD
- First day for students September 8.
- Current student count: 151 with 6 tours scheduled. More enrollment expected through summer and the beginning of school.
- Student Handbook revisions including attendance and cell phone policy

b. Management Company Update

- Cooperative Agreement between Blended Academies and Wayne-Westland Community School District (CTE Program)
- Student Handbook revisions will be presented at the September Board Meeting. Darin Southworth, Bill Jaconette and Melissa Leigh are willing to review prior to the September board meeting for recommendations to the Board.

X. Ferris State University

None

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

None

XII. Comments from the Board

XIII. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date: September 8. 2026

XIV. Adjournment

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

Prepared by: Kate Travis
Date 8/20/26

Approved by: Amy Hovey
Date: 9-8-2026