Blended Learning Academies
1754 E Clark Rd.
Lansing MI 48906

Approved

~~Proposed~~ Regular Meeting Minutes
September 8, 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
Elizabeth Curry called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Informational Only.

Present: Amy Hovey, Melissa Leigh, Elizabeth Curry and Darin Southworth **(6:09pm Quorum)**
Absent: Marcus Kikrpatrick and Bill Jaconette
Others Present: Tim Brannan, Marcelle Monchanin, Sue Wakefield, David Stibich, Raelynn Johns, Brittney Daly and Kate Travis

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

III. Approval of Agenda
Amy Hovey moved to approve the agenda. Supported by Melissa Leigh. Unanimously carried by those present.

IV. Consent Calendar
a. Approval of proposed August 11, 2026 meeting minutes
Darin Southworth moved to approve the minutes as presented. Supported by Melissa Leigh. Unanimously carried by those present.

V. Correspondence
a. FSU Board Communication
Sue Wakefield provided an overview on the FSU Board Communication including PD, Competitive Grant.

VI. Treasurer's Report
a. 2025-26 Financial Audit – Maner Costerisan
Brittney Daly provided the 2025-26 Audit Presentation and overview of the Maner Costerisan report.

Amy Hovey moved to approve the 2025-26 audited financial statements as presented. Supported by Melissa Leigh. Unanimously carried by those present.

b. Financial Statements

David Stibich provided an overview of the August financials.

VII. New Business

a. Student Handbook

Darin Southworth provided an overview of the updated student handbook. Including recommended changes by the committee included in the draft.

Amy Hovey moved to approve the 2026-27 Student Handbook as presented. Supported by Melissa Leigh. Unanimously carried by those present.

VIII. Old Business

None

IX. Business/Management Report

a. School Leader/Curriculum Director Update

Marcelle Monchanin provided an update on the following:
Staff PD – 3 days, Emergency Operation, New Policies and outside training including CPI, mandated reporting and TRAILS
First Day of School (Sept 8, 2026)
Student Count – Currently around 160 with additional inquiries

b. Management Company Update

Kate Travis reiterated great first day in addition to good staff professional development and engagement regarding sessions and new policies.

X. Ferris State University

Sue Wakefield provided an update on the Mid-Contract Review including the Four Pillars for review and the timeline.

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

None

XII. Comments from the Board

None

XIII. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date: October 13. 2026

XIV. Adjournment

Melissa Leigh moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:38pm. Supported by Darin Southworth. Unanimously carried by those present.

Prepared by: Kate Travis **Date: 9/15/2026**
Approved by: **Date:** 12/15/26