



“DELIVERING THE EXTRAORDINARY”

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
East Shore Leadership Academy
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
1403 7th Street, Port Huron, MI 48060
Monday, December 18, 2023, 11:30 a.m.

“East Shore Leadership Academy, in pursuit of excellence, will develop future leaders through a strong academic foundation and the development of high moral character.”

Call to Order

11:20 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

11:20 a.m.

Roll Call of Board Members

Martin Doorn, President- Present
Margaret Swegles, Vice President/Treasurer- Absent
Patrick Patterson, Secretary- Present
Patricia Moore, Director - Present
Howard Powell, Director – Present

Recognition of other attendees

Nancy Gardner, Bold Education Connections
Neil Hartman, Northern Michigan University
John Romine, The Romine Group
Debby Wilton, Summit Management
Lori LaMontagne, Summit Management

Opening remarks by the Board Chair

None currently

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Agenda with the addition of MDE REP report by, Patterson, supported by Moore.
Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

Call to the Public

The meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy’s business and is not considered a public community meeting. Those that may wish to address the Board on agenda items only may do so at this time by being recognized by the Board President. There will be a

second Call to the Public near the end of the agenda where interested parties may address the Board on any items of their choice. Those that request to address the Board have a maximum of three minutes in which to speak.

None currently

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the November 2023, Regular Board Meeting minutes by, Patterson, supported by Moore.

Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

MONTHLY REPORTS

Financial Report – Brian O’Reilly presented the November 2023 Financials. Information is as expected with ordinary expenditures. Some changes were made that will reflect in the amendments (See “Action Items”).

Budget Amendments – Brian O’Reilly presented the General Fund and School Services Funds resolutions. Ninety five percent of the expenditures fall under salaries. Minor changes were made (See “Action Items”).

Enrollment/Retention/Student Transferring and Incoming reports – Nancy Gardner reported there are 165 students. Retention rate from last year is 86%.

School-wide Goals – Nancy Gardner reported on the updated goals.

Academics/Intervention – Two teacher openings remain in intervention and grade 3. NWEA testing will begin in January.

Building Report – Nancy Gardner reported that nothing new has been added. There will not be any substantial projects this school year.

NMU Representative Report – Neil Hartman reported the following.

- Board webinar January 16, 2024. Patrick Patterson will attend. A link will be sent to him.
- The NMU school improvement grant application is due this month.
- NMU/Administration Workshop will be April 28 and 29, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

Summit Management – Travis Gostinger and Debby Wilton will meet with BEC staff on January 15, 2024.

ESSER III and 31aa – Nancy Gardner reported:

- Behavior personnel, and Kindergarten round-up resources needed.
- *LEA Plan of Use (ARP)* – Nancy Gardner stated there are no changes. (See “Action Items”)
- 31aa – an itemized list of resources and training was presented to the board under the Mental Health and Safety sections of the grant. The grant award is approximately \$38,264.00. The total is based on the schools blended count of 173.83 at \$220 per student (See “Action Items”).
- *Public Comments* – No public comments currently

Strategic Enrollment Plan – Nancy Gardner reported a more comprehensive report will be presented in January 2024.

Reauthorization Process – All necessary contracts are being reviewed by the parties involved so they can be forwarded to the attorneys in January. The lease negotiations have not begun. John Romine indicated he will help facilitate this with Academic Facilities to get it done so it can be submitted in a timely manner.

NEW BUSINESS

MDE REP Report – Personnel with any type of convictions including misdemeanor or felonies are reported to each district. A staff person was reported with a misdemeanor (See “Action Items”).

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Recognitions and Announcements:

Recognitions: None currently

Announcements: The next Board of Director’s Regular Board Meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, January 15, 2024, at 1403 7th Street, Port Huron, MI 48060.

Final call to the public

Interested parties may address the Board on any items of their choice. Those that wish to request the Board have a maximum of three minutes in which to speak.

No public comments currently

Action Items

Motion to receive the November 2023 Financial Report as presented, by Patterson, supported by Moore.

Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

Motion to receive the General Appropriation Resolution as presented, by Patterson, supported by Moore.

Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

Motion to approve the ARP/LEA Plan as presented with no changes, by Patterson, supported by Moore.

Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

Motion to approve the ESSER III personnel (amended) and kindergarten resources (new), by Patterson, supported by Moore.

Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

Motion to approve the 31aa Mental Health and School Safety proposed items for a total of \$38,000.00, by Moore, supported by Powell.

Doorn – Yes Patterson – Yes

Motion to approve personnel, by Moore, supported by Patterson.

Doorn – Yes Powell – Yes

Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

These meetings of the Board of Directors are in public for the purpose of conducting the school’s business and are not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during each meeting as indicated in the agenda.

Upon request to the academy office, the academy shall make reasonable accommodations for a person with a disability to be able to participate in this meeting.

Certification:

East Shore Leadership Academy Board of Directors duly adopted the above minutes at a properly noticed open meeting held on January 15, 2024, at which a quorum was present.

Board Secretary/Board Designee: _____ Approved January 15, 2024.

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