



“DELIVERING THE EXTRAORDINARY”

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
East Shore Leadership Academy
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
1403 7th Street, Port Huron, MI 48060
Monday, March 18, 2024, 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

11:40 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

11:40 a.m.

Roll Call of Board Members

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

Recognition of other attendees

Neil Hartman, Northern Michigan University
Nancy Gardner, Bold Education Connections
Deanna Hall, East Shore Leadership Academy
Travis Gostinger, Summit Management Consulting
Debby Wilton, Summit Management Consulting

Opening remarks by the Board Chair

None currently

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Regular Board Meeting Agenda by, Swegles, supported by Moore.
Doorn – Yes Patterson – 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 January 2024, Regular Board Meeting minutes by, Moore, supported by Swegles.

Doorn – Yes

Patterson – Yes

Powell – Yes

MONTHLY REPORTS

Financial Report – Peggy Swegles presented the February 2024 financials. There is nothing out of the ordinary in the report for this time of the year. (See “Action Items”).

Enrollment/Retention/Student Transferring and Incoming reports – Deanna Hall reported there are 162 students with two incoming. Retention rate from last year is 86%.

School-wide Goals – Deanna Hall reported that the goals are still the same.

Academics/Intervention – Two teacher openings remain in intervention and grade 5. Two of the building substitute teachers are progressing toward their plan to obtain their teaching degree. Two students, Nico Mendoza, and Anthony Zweng from 7th grade, presented a Minecraft project of the school and took us through a walk-through of the school and individual rooms.

Sandy Johnson is doing a great job taking over as Title I Coordinator.

The Carnival was a huge success this year. Many families showed up and participated in the activities with their children.

Building Report – Nancy Gardner reported that nothing new has been added. There will not be any substantial projects this school year. She will get a quote for gym floor cost and to refresh paint in some of the rooms.

NMU Representative Report – Neil Hartman reported on the following:

- March 20, 2024, Webinar on AI. If three people attend NMU will award the school \$3,000.
- April 17, 2024, is the last webinar from AirWin (Swegles to attend).
- May 15-17, 2024, is Young Wildcat Scholars event at NMU.
- NMU/Administration Workshop will be April 28 and 29, 2024. All board members plan to attend. Nancy Gardner will confirm with Lisa Ackland at NMU.

OLD BUSINESS

NMU Grant Update – We had a school-wide fieldtrip to the Ford Museum in February. Many parents also attended as chaperones reporting very positive feedback. Upcoming school-wide trips are the Aquarium and the Zoo.

Summit Management Consulting – Travis Gostinger reported on how the transition is progressing as well as lease and BEC/ESLA contract status.

ESSER III and 31aa – Nancy Gardner reported:

- *LEA Plan of Use (ARP)* – Nancy Gardner stated there are no changes and all funds are designated at this time.
(See “Action Items”)
- *Public Comments* – No public comments currently

Reauthorization Process – Marty Doorn reported on reauthorization progress.

- Reauthorization – Marty Doorn, Nancy Gardner, and Deanna Hall are working on this and progressing well.
- Building Lease – Peggy Swegles, Nancy Gardner, and Travis Gostinger are working on the lease language. Travis Gostinger is the point person negotiating with Academic Facilities. There are still some issues that need clarity.
- East Shore Leadership Academy and Bold Education Connections – Marty Doorn, Nancy Gardner, and Travis Gostinger are working on this and will soon be ready to submit to attorneys.

NEW BUSINESS

Policy and Procedures – The Board has had a month to review all proposed policy updates. They approved revisions to the Online Blended Learning Program, Weapons, Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety, and the Free and Reduced Price of Meals. (See “Action Items”)

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Recognitions and Announcements:

Recognitions: Diana Turner for her exemplary job preparing for the RESA audit.

Announcements: The next Board of Director’s Regular Board Meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, April 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 February 2024 Financial Report as presented, by Swegles supported by Patterson.

Doorn – Yes

Moore – Yes

Powell – Yes

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

Doorn – Yes Moore – Yes Powell – Yes

Motion to approve the revisions to the policies and procedures as presented, by Swegles supported by Patterson.

Doorn – Yes Moore – Yes Powell – Yes

Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 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 April 15, 2024, at which a quorum was present.

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