



BOARD MEETING MINUTES // 4.11.23

Detroit Achievement Academy // 7000 W Outer Dr, Detroit, MI 48235
Zoom Participants // Meeting ID: 761 682 3028 // Passcode: NM67sQ
6:00p

Mission: Detroit Achievement Academy exists to holistically support the education and development of students who have the determination, drive, and skills to shape their own path of high achievement with the ultimate goal of creating civically engaged, joyful citizens who are ready to change the world.

- I. CALL TO ORDER - 6:07pm
- II. ROLL CALL- *Lindsey Barrett - present, Lewis Butler - present, Greg DeMars - present, Trevor Duke - present, Sarah Beaubien - absent/excused, Jared Stasik - absent/excused, Lenora Smith - absent/excused*
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - *Modifications presented by Board President Lewis Butler to add Discussion and Action Items for the following: 1) Re-Appointment of Sarah Beaubien, Lewis Butler and Lenora Smith for board membership, 2) School Sabbatical Leave Applications and Approvals, 3) Shifts to org chart hiring schedule and position descriptions - Motion: Lewis Butler, Second: Greg DeMarst, Approved 4-0*
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS
A section of the agenda has been reserved for public comment. You are welcome to address the board during this time. If you'd like to speak, be aware of the following items:
 - a. Stand and state your name and the topic you'd like to address.
 - b. Please limit your comments to 3 minutes or less so that everyone has a chance to speak.
 - c. The board reserves the right to not address any/all public comments.
 - *Leah VanBelle (Detroit Prep parent) presents praise for Detroit Prep's work with neurodiverse students, particularly those with autism. Names Ms. Briana and Ms. Casey as particularly supportive. Leah VanBelle shares narrative of personal experience.*
 - *Board replies with gratitude for the comment.*
- V. FINANCIAL REPORT - *Greg DeMars shares: waiting on Q1 results from accounting organization due to miscommunication, will share results with the board via email in the interim and be prepared to present at the next board meeting*
- VI. AUTHORIZER UPDATE - *Merrideth Okonkwor shares: Boards should be preparing for*

Teacher appreciation next month, and National Charter Schools Week May 8th-14th. Spring Principal's Meeting invitations should have gone out to school leaders. GVSU CSO survey results show 97% of boards are satisfied with board liaisons, 98% are satisfied with GVSU's work as authorizer. May 11th will be the GVSU Board Reception at the War Memorial at Grosse Pointe.

- VII. SCHOOL REPORTS - *Presented by Kyle Smitley, Board pose questions related to GVSU's support of teacher credentialing and academic support, as well as student achievement progress. Kyle presents potential org chart shifts up for Board discussion and approval: hiring for Director of Elementary instead of Student Support at DAA in 2023-24, changing the position of "Class Assistant" (non-credentialed) at Detroit Prep to "Intervention" (credentialed instructor) in 2023-24.*
- A. DAA
 - B. DP
- VIII. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
- A. Appointment of Legal Counsel
 - 1. Joe Urban
 - B. Designation of Chief Administrative Officer
 - 1. Sarah Beaubien
 - C. Designation of FOIA Officer
 - 1. Kyle Smitley
 - D. Designation of AHERA Contact
 - 1. Kyle Smitley
 - E. Designation of Title IV, Title IX, and Section 504 Contact (often the same person)
 - 1. Alexa O'Brien
 - F. Designation of McKinney-Vento Homeless Children and Youth Liaison
 - 1. Alexa O'Brien
 - G. Designation of Newspaper of Record
 - 1. Michigan Chronicle
 - H. Resolution designating spokesperson representing the board to the media
 - 1. Kyle Smitley
- IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS
- A. Save the Dates:
 - June 17th, 2023 - Detroit Achievement Academy Ribbon Cutting (12pm) and 8th Grade Graduation (2pm); Invitations to follow
 - September 16th, 2023 - Detroit Achievement Academy 10th Year Celebration at the Scarab Club; Invitations to follow
 - *Board adds: August 11th, 2023 - GolfFest Fundraiser*
 - B. Discuss K Boyer Sabbatical Plans
 - C. Discuss adjustments to hiring plan / org structure
 - D. *Discuss reinstatement of Sarah Beaubien, Lewis Butler and Lenora Smith*
 - E. *Discuss no changes to the Annual Organizational Meeting contacts.*

- X. ACTION ITEMS; *Motion to Approve Action Items A, B, D, E, F: Greg DeMars, Second: Trevor Duke; Approved 4-0*
- A. Approve 12.13.22 DAA/DP Board Meeting minutes
 - B. Approve 2.27.23 DAA/DP Special Board Meeting Minutes
 - C. Approve Reinstatement of Sarah Beaubien, Lewis Butler and Lenora Hanks
 - Sarah Beaubien // *Motion: Lewis Butler, Second: Greg DeMars; Approved 4-0*
 - Lewis Butler // *Motion: Trevor Duke, Second: Greg DeMars; Approved 4-0*
 - Lenora Smith // *Motion: Lewis Butler, Second: Greg DeMars; Approved 4-0*
 - D. Approve K Boyer Sabbatical Plans
 - E. Approve adjustments to hiring plan / org structure
 - F. Approve Annual Organizational Meeting Contacts

XI. BOARD COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in agenda.

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