

Michigan Educational Choice Center

Special Board Meeting Minutes

5:30PM EDT | January 12th, 2023

Trix Academy, 20045 Joann Ave, Detroit, MI 48205

- I. The meeting was called to order by the board chair at 5:32 PM on Thursday,

A. ROLL CALL

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mr. Darnell Boynton	X	
Ms. Maria Montoya	X	
Dr. Jim Schelberg	X	
Ms. Nicole Guillebeaux	X	
Ms. Monifa Gray	X	
Mr. Darryl P. Young		x
Mr. Lester Thomas	x	

- B. Jim Schelberg made a motion to adopt the board agenda for January 12th, 2022. Lester Thomas provided support and the motion passed unanimously.
- C. Jim Schelberg made a motion to approve the December 1st Board Minutes. Maria Montoya provided support and the motion passed unanimously.
- D. Lauren Fihe presented an ESSER funding update.

II. Finance

Eva Spilker presented the financial report. Jim Schelberg made a motion to accept the report. Monifa Gray supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Academics and Educational Program

- a. Kionna Williams presented the network update and informed everyone on the curriculum, staffing and instructional plans of the district.
- b. Luvenia Perkins and Laura Green presented the Principal’s report with updates on the happenings at the Academy. The Dashboard of Academic progress was presented and discussed. Next steps were presented as well by the Academic team.
- c. Sheilene Smith and Tahirah Thompson provided updates on building operations.
- d. Laura Green shared the School index and the state grades of the school.

IV. Committee Reports

Members of the board and school that attended the board retreat shared the positive outcomes of the day.

V. Old Business – None

New Business/Action Items

1. Fall Board Policies –

Monifa Gray made a motion to approve the fall board policy updates. Jim Schelberg approved the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Curriculum Amendment Postponement

Laura Green explained that Amplify Science was investigated at a time when there was not a certified science teacher on staff. It was believed that the Amplify Science curriculum would be easier for a non certified staff member than the current science curriculum. However, we were able to employ a certified Science teacher and the materials still have not arrived. So rather than switching curriculums mid year, the school is asking the board to postpone the change to the fall of 2023. Dr. Jim Schelberg motioned to amend the effective year of implementation of the Amplify Science curriculum from 2022-2023 to 2023-2024; Lester Thomas provided support and the motion was approved unanimously.

VI. Authorizer’s Report

Mr. Trout shared the dates of upcoming round tables and board developments.

Adjournment

Darnell Boynton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm. Maria Montoya supported the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

I respectfully submit these proposed minutes as an accurate account of the business conducted by the Michigan Educational Choice Center Board of Directors during the January 12th Board Meeting.

Melissa Ross
Melissa Ross, Board Recording

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Date