



# International Academy of Flint

## Minutes

### April Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday April 17, 2023 at 5:30 PM

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#### Directors Present

D. Thompson, F. Booker, J. Houck, J. Sopczynski, M. Childress, Y. Speights-Beaugard

#### Directors Absent

J. Kelley

#### Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

Y. Speights-Beaugard

#### Guests Present

C. Merante, E. Yurk, G. Meihn, Jonique Donald, Kendra Giles, Marcus Mackey, T. Cormier, Tony Daggett

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Thompson called a meeting of the board of directors of International Academy of Flint to order on Monday Apr 17, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

#### B. Record Attendance and Guests

#### C. Conflict of Interest

None at this time.

#### **D. Approval of Agenda**

F. Booker made a motion to approve the agenda.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **E. Parent Matter**

J. Houck made a motion to reaffirm the parents ban from school property for the remainder of the school year due to safety concerns for our staff and students.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

Update given about the actions of Charmain Taylor.

- She has threatened staff
- She makes rude comments to staff
- She refuses to work with the staff at IAF

Charmain was notified that her hearing would be in front of the board at 5:30pm. At 5:36 pm she had still not arrived and the board proceeded with her hearing without her present.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

##### **Roll Call**

J. Kelley	Absent
J. Houck	Aye
Y. Speights-Beaugard	Absent
M. Childress	Aye
D. Thompson	Aye
F. Booker	Aye
J. Sopczynski	Aye

Y. Speights-Beaugard arrived at 5:52 PM.

#### **F. Student Matter 2223-27**

J. Houck made a motion to suspend the student for an additional 10 days. The student must also write a 500 word essay about the dangers of social media and what they have learned from the situation.

F. Booker seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

##### **Roll Call**

D. Thompson	Aye
Y. Speights-Beaugard	Aye
F. Booker	Aye
J. Sopczynski	Aye
M. Childress	Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Houck	Aye
J. Kelley	Absent

**G. Student Matter 2223-28**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to suspend the student for the remainder of the school year for the safety of IAF's students.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The parent had to leave before the student hearing started but stated that they will support whatever the board decides.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

M. Childress	Aye
D. Thompson	Aye
J. Houck	Aye
J. Sopczynski	Aye
J. Kelley	Absent
Y. Speights-Beaugard	Aye
F. Booker	Aye

**H. Student Matter 2223-29**

M. Childress made a motion to suspend the student for the remainder of the year and provide FAPE services after school hours.

Y. Speights-Beaugard seconded the motion.

Student hearing was scheduled to take place at 6:30. The parent and student were not present at 6:41pm so the board moved forward with the student hearing without them.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Houck	Aye
J. Sopczynski	Aye
F. Booker	No
J. Kelley	Absent
D. Thompson	Aye
Y. Speights-Beaugard	Aye
M. Childress	Aye

**I. New Applicant**

J. Houck made a motion to deny entry by the new applicant due to safety concerns for the students and staff.

J. Sopczynski seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**J. Academic Update**

Update given by T.Cormier

- Enrollment projections for next year. Discussed enrollment projection to use for budgeting purposes.
- Highest HS commitment to return for next school year.
- Applying for 2 more grants.

#### **K. EpiCenter Update**

100% Submitted

### **II. Public Comment**

#### **A. Public Comment**

None at this time.

### **III. Consent Agenda**

#### **A. Approval of March 1, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes**

F. Booker made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 03-01-23.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **B. Accept Reports**

### **IV. Unfinished Business**

#### **A. Student Matter 2223-13**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to suspend the student for the remainder of the school year.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

D. Thompson	Aye
J. Sopczynski	Aye
F. Booker	Aye
M. Childress	Aye
Y. Speights-Beaugard	Aye
J. Kelley	Absent
J. Houck	Aye

### **V. New Business**

#### **A.**

## **IAF Budget vs Actual**

### **B. Ratify Disbursements & Transfers**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to ratify the disbursements and transfers.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **C. Withdraw Policy Recommendation**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to approve the attendance withdrawal policy presented.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **D. Calendar Approval**

J. Houck made a motion to approve the revised 22/223 school year calendar.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

J. Sopczynski made a motion to approve the 23/24 school year calendar.

J. Houck seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **E. Vision Tours Proposal 23/24**

The board discussed the proposal given by Vision Tours and decided more information was needed to properly asses the bottom line for the budget.

### **F. School Resource Officer MOU**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to approve and sign the MOU.

J. Houck seconded the motion.

The School Resource Officer will start on July 1, 2023. The contract is renewable for 3 years.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **G. Contract Ammendment**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to approve the new high school electives for the 23/24 school year.

Y. Speights-Beaugard seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **H. Camera Footage Request**

J. Houck made a motion to not release the camera footage to GM.

J. Sopczynski seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **I.**

### **CMU Field Trip Request**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to approve the field trip.  
Y. Speights-Beaugard seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **J. CMU**

- Annual Conference is August 15, 2023
- Laura Lea Lane was introduced, she is the Financial Operations Analyst

### **K. Legal Update**

- A memo was provided to the board last week with updates.
- There is a meeting with Genesee County Landbank this week regarding properties surrounding the school. An update will be emailed after that meeting takes place.

## **VI. Other Business**

### **A. Announcement of Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday May 15, 2023 at 5:30pm.

## **VII. Extended Public Comment**

### **A. Public comment on items not limited to agenda items**

Mrs. Wheeler was present and voiced concerns about her students. The board asked administration to look into it and follow up with her.

## **VIII. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

J. Sopczynski made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
M. Childress seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.  
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
D. Thompson