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International Academy of Flint

Minutes

IAF Board Meeting

Date and Time
Monday August 19, 2024 at 5:30 PM

International Academy of Flint will prepare students for success in college or career, inspire students to respect learning, and lead purposeful lives.

Directors Present
D. Thompson, F. Booker, J. Kelley, J. Sopczynski, M. Childress

Directors Absent
J. Houck, Y. Speights-Beaugard

Guests Present
C. Merante, E. Yurk, G. Meihn (remote), J. Donald, Kendra Giles, Lynise Barbee, T. Cormier

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 Aug 19, 2024 at 5:40 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Conflict of Interest

None

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. Academic Update

Update given by Traci Cormier:

- Phoenix Fest was a great success.
- Back to School workshops started last week and are going well.
- Teacher retention is up from last school year.
- Enrollment is climbing and the marketing team is doing a great job.

F. EpiCenter Update

100% on time

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

None

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of July 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes

J. Kelley made a motion to approve the minutes from IAF Annual Board Meeting on 07-15-24.
F. Booker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Accept Reports

C. IAF Budget vs Actual

IV. New Business

A. 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.

B. Vision Tours Agreement 24/25

J. Sopczynski made a motion to approve the contract with Vision Tours pending review and approval by Greg Meihn.
M. Childress seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. 24/25 Calendar Update

F. Booker made a motion to approve the 24/25 school calendar update.
M. Childress seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Curriculum Approval

J. Sopczynski made a motion to the curriculum.
M. Childress seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Handbook Updates 24/25 SY

J. Kelley made a motion to approve the handbook updates.
M. Childress seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Board Policy Updates

F. Booker made a motion to approve the board policy updates.
J. Kelley seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

G. New Applicant

J. Sopczynski made a motion to deny the applicant based on safety concerns for IAF's staff and students.
F. Booker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

H. Legal Update

Greg Meihn provided an update via phone:

- Property acquisitions are moving slowly.

1. Owner of one piece of property will only speak to a lawyer or realtor.
2. Landbank has not returned any of Dan Smith's communications. It has been over a year so the process will need to be started over again.
3. Greg will provide an update to the board on Friday.

- Vision Tours contract will be reviewed by Greg.

Traci Cormier: Pastor Alston talked to Traci in the past week. Working on the relationship with him to eventually acquire his properties.

I. CMU

Cory Merante provided an update:

- Annual Conference

1. Thanks to all the IAF staff and board members that attended.
2. It was nice to see a large presence from IAF.

- Rater Reliability - anyone who evaluates staff needs to take the class.
- Board Member Attendance

1. Diane attended 14 out of 14 board meetings for 23/24.
2. Falessia attended 13 out of 14 board meetings for 23/24.

- Experience Central will be in October
- NWEA Presentation will be at the next board meeting.
- Reauthorization Year for IAF

1. Add this to the agenda for September to keep it on the radar.
2. Also add Partner Solutions to September agenda.

V. Other Business

A. Announcement of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday September 16, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

VI. Extended Public Comment

A. Public comment on items not limited to agenda items

Traci Cormier:

1. "Love Them First" is the theme for this school year at IAF. Focus is on building the relationships between staff and students so that they can be successful.
2. Senior class has 58 students, biggest senior class yet. We have invited the seniors for a back to school breakfast on Thursday to start the year off right.

Chief Administrative Officer needs to be reappointed.
J. Sopczynski made a motion to appoint Jacob Sopczynski as the CAO.
M. Childress seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Kelley made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
J. Sopczynski 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 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. Thompson