

APPROVED



Learn4Life Pontiac

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday May 26, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Location

In person: 142 Auburn Ave, Pontiac, MI 48342

Virtual via Microsoft Teams: <https://llac.io/L4LPontiac>

Meeting ID: 252 239 996 612 9

Passcode: jH2V53b7

Directors Present

C. Sanford, D. Sharp, L. Bell, O. Ewing

Directors Absent

None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

D. Sharp

Guests Present

A. Holmes, G. Robinson (remote), H. Ruiz (remote), J. Gilbert, K. Welsh (remote), Kristi Teall (remote), P. Williams, Phyllis Loudermill (remote), S. Nakon, T. Cherry, V. Chase (remote)

I. Opening Items

A.

Call the Meeting to Order

C. Sanford called a meeting of the board of directors of Learn4Life Pontiac to order on Tuesday May 26, 2026 at 6:01 PM.

B. Record Board Member Attendance

C. Introduction of In Person and Virtual Guests

D. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda

O. Ewing made a motion to approve the agenda for the May 26, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life Pontiac.

L. Bell seconded the motion.

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

III. Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A. Previous Regular Meeting Minutes

O. Ewing made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 04-28-26.

L. Bell seconded the motion.

It was recommended that the Board of Directors adopt, as presented, and approve the minutes of April 28, 2026, Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life Pontiac. The following action was taken to approve the Minutes.

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

IV. Reports

A. Finance

Mr. Cherry presented the April 30, 2026, finance report. He also mentioned the final amended budget for 2025-26, 2026-27 budget, and Audit Engagement letter would be on the June agenda for board approval.

D. Sharp arrived at 6:12 PM.

B. School Leader

Ms. Williams shared on students of the month, Community Engagement and Events, and enrollment of 123 students, with 2 new students starting next week. She also shared on Statewide assessment with NWEA testing presently taking place.

Ms. Williams shared on teacher appreciation week festivities, students going on a trip they earned, and SEL lessons. She also shared on Modules completed and progress reports sent out.

Ms. Williams shared on the last “Earn to Learn” skilled trades program event. Students can earn income and obtain a journeyman license or certificate upon completion. Students will also be visiting a construction site and given resources from Ms. Loudermill. Lastly, she shared on a bell ringing ceremony with 19 graduating this spring.

C. Education Service Provider (ESP)

Mr. Nakon shared on Amazon Future Leader Certification and Fulfillment Center Tours and Summer Youth Employment via Dream Centers.

Ms. Chase shared on the Bold by Choice Summit and Founder’s Library Interview led by Jim Goenner with Skip Hansen. She also shared on two Flex High School of Michigan students who shared impactful speeches and principal Angela Izzo attended.

Ms. Chase introduced guests Kristi Teall and Phyllis Loudermill connected through Ferris State authorizer. Ms. Teall shared on her education background and focuses on increasing graduation, retention, and enrollment; emphasis on serving underserved students. She shared her framework timing working on assessment now, then will aim for board direction in 1 month. Then strategy plan June–July with implementation in Aug–Sep.

Ms. Bell asked a question regarding SPED and Pontiac schools closing. Ms. Chase mentioned two elementary schools and a special needs school (Kennedy at Owens Elementary referenced), and the need to coordinate student recovery and services within Pontiac. She also mentioned the team is tracking closures and planning outreach to affected students.

Ms. Loudermill shared on her Workforce Development and Pre-Apprenticeship program. She operates union and non-union shops with established pre-apprenticeship, and also mentioned Workforce Development Institute (WDI) requires 7th grade reading and math level for entry.

Mr. Holmes shared on the annual Juneteenth Event, being held on June 2nd.

Mr. Simi shared on facilities, construction access, and real estate strategy. He shared there is an active city construction impacting school access and is seeking schedules from city. He also shared that the owner, Mr. Cunningham, acknowledged roof issues, replacing roofer, and plans a systems inspection. Mr. Simi suggested independent inspections.

D. Legal Updates

Legal shared there were no updates.

E. Authorizer

Mr. Jack Gilbert thanked LLAC for all their hard work this past school year.

V. Board Member Comments

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Ms. Sharp thanked Principal Williams for all she does for the school.

Mr. Sanford thanked Principal Williams for all her hard work and commended the work of LLAC.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Scheduled Board Meeting Date/Time and Location

Next Meeting Date: June 23, 2026, at 6:00pm (ET) Learn4Life Pontiac 142 Auburn Ave, Pontiac, MI 48342.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Holmes