

YOUTH ADVANCEMENT ACADEMY/OMBUDSMAN
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

6750 Chime Street
Kalamazoo MI 49009

Tuesday, August 12, 2014
5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Robert Hamet.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Ridders, Mark Fricke, Mollie Peterson and Robert Hamet.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Stacey Randolph.

OTHERS: Amber Long, Ashley Esterline, Brad Storms and Faye Goldner.

IV. Call to the Audience ~ Audience may address the board at this time ~ Comments are limited to five minutes

V. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by **Ridders** and supported by **Fricke** to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Ridders and supported by **Fricke** to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2014, Organizational /Regular Meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Communications

A. Director's Report

Mrs. Amber Long, director, shared the following:

- ✓ Summer program wraps up this week
- ✓ Letters went out for student intakes
- ✓ Staff have been trained in the use of Epi Pens
- ✓ A grant was received for an AED

B. Update on Summer Program

Mrs. Esterline stated the summer program was a huge success. Students learned new skills and tasks. She did not receive any phone calls from dissatisfied employers.

C. Status of Board Member Recruitment

President Hamet informed the Board that Mr. Jeff Pellerito, Comstock's Director of Special Education Student Services, is interested in applying for a seat on the board. It is anticipated he would interview with the board at the September 9, 2014, meeting and then recommended to the KRESA board for approval at its September 18, 2014, meeting. Once he is approved by KRESA, then he would be sworn in at the October 14, 2014, regular meeting.

Trustee Peterson is planning to contact a probation officer to see if he/she is interested in sitting on the board.

VIII. Regular Agenda

A. Financial Report

Mr. Brad Storms indicated he is still waiting for state revenue for Section 25F, and, he is hopeful it will be in the August state aid payment. Expenditures for the 2013-2014 school year are almost finalized.

It was moved by **Fricke** and supported by **Rikkens** to accept the financial report as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Back to School Staff Luncheon is August 25, 2014

C. Spring Policy Update for First Reading

There were no changes noted to the policies.

It was moved by **Fricke** and supported by **Rikkens** to approve the spring policy update for first reading. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Strategic Plan Discussion and Plan on Keeping the Plan Updated:

Vice President Rikkers stated the Board now has a comprehensive plan in place.

It was the consensus of the Board the committee assignments would stay the same. The Committees would review the initiatives and decide which ones to continue with, which ones are completed, and which ones to add. Committees were asked to identify one or two initiatives they would like to pursue. At a subsequent meeting the committees will discuss and document the progress.

X. Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, September 9, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.

XI. Adjourn

It was moved by **Peterson** and supported by **Rikkers** to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Faye L. Goldner, Recording Secretary

Robert P. Hamet, President

Stacey Randolph, Secretary/Treasurer

Date: _____