



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Youth Advancement Academy

3410 Laird Ave.

Kalamazoo, MI 49008

February 11, 2025

5:30 PM

AGENDA

I. Call to Order Regular Meeting

- A. Meeting called to order at 5:33 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

- A. Members present: Brennan, Brown, Fielder, Raines, Saunders, Mora
- B. Others present: Dr. Magnuson (EPI), Brett Luplow (virtual), Tom Zhart (KRESA), Stacey Smith (YAA Director), Scott Ryder (board legal)

IV. Approval of Agenda

- A. Motion to approve the agenda made by Fielder, seconded by Saunders. Voice vote passed unanimously.

V. Public Comment – (five minute maximum)

- A. Tom Zhart: December FID issue and transparency website documents potential holding of funding; larger local district expressed concern about the number of students attending YAA via virtual education

VI. Approval of Minutes

- A. December 10, 2024, Regular Meeting
 - a. Tabled for March meeting

VII. Presentation of June 30, 2024 Audit: Mr. Brett Luplow

- A. Brett Luplow of Gardner, Provenzano, Thomas, & Luplow, PC presented the 2023-2024

school year financial audit for Youth Advancement Academy to the board. Audit presented as a qualified report.

- B. Board will be evaluating auditing services for future school years.

VIII. Communications

A. Management's Report

- a. Brief update on current audit progress and final product

B. Director's Report

- a. No current safety issues
- b. Student of the month: D. Boyed
- c. Staff member of the month: Mr. Barkley
- d. Current student enrollment at 56 with students from Kalamazoo Public Schools, Portage Public Schools, Vicksburg, Battle Creek, and Otsego
- e. Recently hired team member to oversee classroom and virtual students; team was awarded the Leadership Award from the National Charter School Organization
- f. Majority of students are not in graduating years, with only one student who is a potential graduate this year. Team is going to use TRAILS as part of the MiCIP plan. Currently working on resilience as part of the SEL program. Training for the team will be on February 20th.

IX. Regular Agenda

A. December Financial Report

- a. Board updated on December financial statement

B. January Financial Report

- a. Board updated on January financial statement

C. ICE Protocol

- a. Board legal Scott Ryder proposed to the board procedures for the school administration if a federal agent and/or agency seeks access to the school

X. Public Comment: (non-agenda items)

XI. Board Comments

XII. Adjournment

A. Motion to adjourn the meeting made by

- a. Meeting adjourned at Saudners, seconded by Brennan. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: **March 11, 2025 @ 5:30pm** (Oakwood Elementary)

Director's Report January 2025