

YOUTH ADVANCEMENT ACADEMY/OMBUDSMAN

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

6750 Chime Street
Kalamazoo MI 49009

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order Regular Meeting
The meeting was called to order by **Mr. Lotz** at 5:33 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
Members Present: Will Brennan, Randy Fielder, Hal Jenson, John Lotz, Mollie Peterson
Others: Scott Ryder, Brad Storms, Jason Walker
- IV. Approval of Agenda
It was moved by **Mr. Fielder** and supported by **Mr. Jensen** to approve the agenda for the January 9, 2018 regular board meeting. The motion passed.
- V. Call to the Audience ~ Audience may address the Board at this time. Comments are Limited to Five Minutes
There were no audience members present at this meeting.
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - A. December 12, 2017 Regular Meeting
It was moved by **Ms. Peterson** and supported by **Mr. Brennan** to approve the minutes from the December 12, 2017 regular board meeting. The motion passed.
- VII. Communications
 - A. Director's Report – Mr. Jason Walker
Safety, Student Count, Faculty/Staff, Events, Initiatives
Mr. Walker distributed his director's report. There are no safety concerns. Student count is currently at 29. June graduation projection is five students. WMU students are set to begin volunteering at the end of January/start of February. Jason is focusing on increasing attendance rates.
 - B. Meet & Greet Students – Mr. Jason Walker
No students were present at this meeting.
 - C. Meet & Greet Faculty/Staff – Mr. Jason Walker
No faculty/staff were present at this meeting.
- VIII. Regular Agenda – Discussion/Action Items
 - A. Financial Report ~ Mr. Brad Storms
Mr. Storms distributed a copy of the monthly statement of revenues and expenditures. There is nothing out of the ordinary in the budget.

- B. Revised 2017-18 Budget – Mr. Brad Storms
Mr. Storms distributed a copy of the budget resolution and explained the changes to the board. A revision of the budget is always done in January. It was moved by **Mr. Fielder** and supported by **Ms. Peterson** to approve the budget resolution of the Youth Advancement Academy 2017-2018 General Education Fund Budget. The motion passed.

ROLL CALL VOTES

AYS: Fielder, Jenson, Lotz, Brennan, Peterson

NAYS: None

- C. Student Enrollment Projections - Mr. Jason Walker
Mr. Walker distributed the enrollment projections for Youth Advancement Academy. A lengthy discussion took place around the repercussions of continued enrollment decrease. A recommendation was made that, if the enrollment number has not increased after next month's count day, the board formally meet with representatives with Ombudsman to talk about this issue.
- D. Middle School Program – Mr. John Lotz
There was a short discussion regarding adding middle school students to Youth Advancement Academy. A topic for future discussion is the age difference of students in attendance and the barriers to adding in middle school age students.
- E. Summer Internship Program – Mr. Jason Walker
This topic was tabled for a later date.
- F. Organization Responsibilities Wrap-Up – Mr. Scott Ryder
The board did not have any additional thoughts or comments on the organization responsibilities of the Youth Advancement Academy board, Ombudsman and Kalamazoo RESA.

IX. Next Meeting Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

X. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned by **Mr. Lotz** at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mandi Smith, Recording Secretary

John Lotz, President

Randy Fielder, Secretary/Treasurer

Date: _____