

YOUTH ADVANCEMENT ACADEMY/EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Chime School
Kalamazoo, MI 49009
Tuesday, April 28, 2021
5:30 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- I. Call to Order Regular Meeting
The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
Members: Will Brennan, Chuck Brown, Randy Fielder, Hal Jenson, John Lotz, Todd Mora, Latonia Raines
Others: Jon DeCou, Jeff Hamlin, Phillip Heasley
- IV. Approval of Agenda
It was moved by **Mr. Mora** and supported by **Mr. Fielder** to approve the April 28, 2021 regular meeting minutes. 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 comments by anyone in the audience.
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - A. March 9, 2021 Regular Meeting
It was moved by **Mr. Brown** and supported by **Mr. Mora** to approve the March 9, 2021 regular meeting minutes. The motion passed.
- VII. Communications
 - A. Director's Report – Mr. Jon DeCou
Safety, Student Count, Faculty/Staff, Events, Initiatives, Strategy Update
Mr. DeCou provided the board with a copy of his YAA Director's Report. Enrollment is at 37 students; 33 high school and 4 middle school. YAA continues to be fully staffed. Two students will graduate on time this year.
- VIII. Regular Agenda – Discussion/Action Items
 - A. Financial Report – Mr. Phillip Heasley
Mr. Heasley provided multiple copies of YAA budget documents. He went over the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures through March 31, 2021. There was nothing out of the ordinary in the budget. **Mr. Heasley** also provided a copy of a Resolution for Adoption of the 2020-21 Revised General Fund Budget and went over it with the board. It was moved by **Mr. Lotz** and supported by **Mr. Mora** to approve the resolution of the 2020-21 General Fund Budget. A roll call was conducted:
YAYS: Brennan, Brown, Fielder, Jenson, Lotz, Mora, Raines
NAYS: None
The motion passed.

B. Board Policy Approval – Mr. Jon DeCou

It was moved by **Mr. Mora** and supported by **Mr. Brennan** to approve the board policy. A roll call vote was conducted:

YAYS: Brennan, Brown, Fielder, Jenson, Lotz, Mora, Raines

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

C. Extension of Kresa Contract – Mr. John Lotz

KRESA, EPI and **Mr. Lotz** met to talk about the transition to EPI as business manager. The contract with KRESA was extended to ensure a smooth transition. On November 1, 2021, EPI will officially take over as business manager. It was moved by **Mr. Lotz** and supported by **Mr. Brennan** to approve this plan. A roll call was conducted:

YAYS: Brennan, Brown, Fielder, Jenson, Lotz, Mora, Raines

NAYS: None

The motion passed.

D. Board Seat Update – Mr. John Lotz

Mr. Lotz and the board celebrated **Dr. Jenson** as this is his last meeting as a board member. **Dr. Jenson** has made incredible contributions to the Youth Advancement Academy and the board. His time is much appreciated. To **Dr. Jenson**, with our whole hearts, we thank you. **Mr. Lotz** has reached out to KRESA for suggestions of someone to fill the empty seat. **Dr. Jenson** has one year left in his term, so the incoming board member will complete that year.

E. COVID Goals and Objectives Update and Approval – Mr. Jon DeCou

It was moved by **Mr. Lotz** and supported by **Dr. Jenson** to approve the COVID Goals and Objectives. The motion passed.

F. COVID Procedures Review Checklist – Mr. Scott Ryder

Mr. DeCou answered and included the Procedures Review Checklist Questions in his director's report.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

A. Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 11, 2021 (Chime School)

Respectfully submitted,

Mandi Smith, Recording Secretary

John Lotz, President

Latonia Raines, Secretary/Treasurer

Date