

West Michigan Academy of Arts and Academics
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Board Meeting Minutes – October 23, 2012 – 7:00 PM - APPROVED

- I. **Call to Order** – President Matt Butler called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM
- II. **Roll Call**
Present: Matt Butler (President), Carrie Tulloch (Vice-President), Leon Stille (Board Member), Chad Nader (Board Member), John Weaver (Board Member), Marcia Rappleye (Board Member)
Absent: None
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. **Approval of Agenda** – M. Butler moved the presentation of the 2012 financial audit after approval of the agenda. He also added swearing in of Chad Nader under correspondence. A motion was made by J. Weaver, supported by C. Tulloch to approve the agenda as amended. All in favor 6-0.
- V. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. **Board Meeting Minutes – September 25, 2012** – A motion was made by C. Tulloch, supported by M. Rappleye to approve the minutes as written. All in favor 6-0.
 - B. **Special Meeting Minutes – October 16, 2012** – A motion was made by C. Tulloch, supported by C. Nader to approve the minutes as written. All in favor 6-0.
- VI. **Financial Report** – L. Johnson reported on the following:
 - Section 25 as part of the State School Aid Act – the foundation allowance will follow the student if they move in or out of a district. Awaiting for further instructions from the State and local intermediate school district.
 - Best Practices – the Academy has the potential to earn \$52 / pupil if it meets 7 out of 8 best practices. The Academy will not receive any funds for the performance based best practice incentive due to district level calculations.
- VII. **Correspondence**
 - Swearing in of a Board Member – M. Butler swore C. Nader in for a 3 year term.
- VIII. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Director's Report** – Travis Thomsen reported on the following:
 - Passed out the monthly school calendar, the basketball season has started with 6 games scheduled, and presented the Rti process.
 - Mr. Thomsen has received several calls from the City Manager of Ferrysburg with concerns about the traffic flow during dismissal. A suggestion from a neighbor passed along by Bessinger was to extend the traffic line to the cul-de-sac. The Academy will try this suggestion.
 - Cathy Cantu reported that Travis Thomsen is a finalist as the Administrator of the Year for MAPSA (Michigan Association of Public School Academics).
 - B. **G.V.S.U. Report** – Dan Matthews reported that the board is invited to a symposium, along with 52 other school boards.
- IX. **Old Business**
 - A. **Board Member Search Update** – An ad was placed in the GH Tribune. If no applications are received by October 29th, L. Johnson will place an ad in the Muskegon Chronicle and Mlive.
 - B. **Construction Update** – The two classroom addition is complete and students will move in October 29.
 - C. **Engineering Update for Parking Lot** – T. Thomsen and L. Stille met with an engineer. The recommendation by Bouma was to look at both parking lots at the same time, instead of individually. Bouma is expected to provide drawings for the next board meeting.
- X. **New Business**
 - A. **Presentation of the 2012 Financial Audit by Croskey Lanni, PC** – Melissa May from Croskey Lanni, PC presented the 2012 financial audit. A motion was made by J. Weaver, supported by C. Nader to approve the 2012 financial audit. All in favor 6-0.

- XI. **Public Comments**
 - C. Nader asked if the house is still expected to sell in December. E. Goldman stated it should but if not, a new lease will be created to extend the lease.
- XII. **Topics for Next Meeting**
 - Board Member Search Update
 - Construction Update
 - Engineering Update
- XIII. **Next Meeting Date – November 27, 2012**
- XIV. **Adjournment – M. Butler adjourned the meeting at 8:28 PM**

M. Rappaport
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