

Kalamazoo Covenant Academy
400 W. Crosstown Parkway
Kalamazoo, MI 49001
(269) 888-2700

Board Meeting
KALAMAZOO COVENANT ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Date: October 20, 2021
Time: 12:00 P.M.
Location: 400 Crosstown Pkwy
Kalamazoo, MI 49001

MINUTES

MEETING TYPE: Regular Special Proposed Approved

A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:06 PM with confirmation of quorum

B. Casey swore in Marc Schupan and read the oath of office

C. Roll Call

Casey Alger, Acting President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
John Lewis, Vice President/Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Albert Little, Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present*	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent *via ZOOM
Barb Miller, Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Sandy Standish, Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Marc Schupan, Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Other Attendees: Sam Joseph, CAF; Mandy Acker, CAF; Gretchen LaHaie, CAF; Scott Millin, KCA; Kares Johnson, KCA; Matt Cawood, GVSU; Dan Matthews, CAF; Ross Keilen, Legal Counsel (remote); Dr. Luchara Wallace, Edd Snyder (CAF), Dr. Rita, KPS Superintendent

D. Public Comment on Agenda - None

E. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Barb motioned to approve the agenda **Second:** Marc **Ayes:** 4 **Opposed:** 0

F. Approval/Acceptance of Standard Business

a. The following board meeting minutes were approved:

i. Board Meeting Minutes – August 18, 2021

Motion: Marc motioned to approve the minutes **Second:** Barb **Ayes:** 4 **Opposed:** 0

b. School Report

i. Mission Points of Pride (Scott Millin): Mission is number one-need to fill our students with love and kindness, invest in each student, find them, be a team, be the light for them, and keep our covenant with them. Working to build a culture of putting kids first, working on facility improvements (stairwell, parking lot, grounds, building cleaning), 4 graduates already for December, building community resources with KRESA, City of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo Dept of Public Safety, KVAPP program, Galilee Baptist Church. A social worker has been hired.

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- ii. **Barriers Report (Dan Matthews):** Top barriers are motivation, students working, child care. Staff are reaching out to students 24/7 and are working very hard to get students back into the building.
 - iii. **Progress Update (Kares Johnson/Mandy Acker):** Transition from Edgenuity to Strong Minds complete, direct instruction increasing weekly, added Collins Writing, Clevertouch boards purchased and installed in classroom-training on how to use them in the classrooms. Following state 50D rules of needing TWI weekly for students.
 - c. **Budget/Personnel Update (Gretchen LaHaie)**
 - i. **Balance Sheet & YTD-444k** cash balance as of 9/30; audit almost complete and shows us adding more to fund balance than planned. Audit presentation will happen at December board meeting
 - ii. **Personnel Update**-actively looking to add 2 teachers and 1 support staff
 - d. **GVSU Update (Matt Cawood):** Virtual board training ongoing and working on school performance reports.
 - e. **Legal Update (Ross Keilen):** CAF changes to ESP contract to consolidate Axios contracts under CAF.
- G. Correspondence:** None
- H. Old Business**
- a. **Approval to amend the 21-22 KCA School Calendar**
Motion: Barb motioned to approve **Second:** Sandy **Ayes:** 4 **Opposed:** 0
- I. New Business**-none
- J. Discussion**-KCA/CAF ESP contract amendments; Board would like to do a staff appreciation lunch in December
- K. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**
- L. Reminder for next board meeting:** Regular Meeting-December 8, 2021 @ 12:00 PM
- M. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 pm**
Motion: Sandy motioned to adjourn the meeting **Second:** Barb **Ayes:** 4 **Opposed:** 0

MINUTES CERTIFICATION



Board Secretary/Recording Secretary

December 8, 2021
Date

Approved by the Kalamazoo Covenant Academy Board of Directors on December 8, 2021

Board Secretary

Date

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