



Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy

MID-MICHIGAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS – MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 10, 2018
 Time: 6:00 p.m.
 Location: Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy
 730 W. Maple St.
 Lansing, Michigan 48906

Mission Statement

The mission of the Mid-Michigan Leadership Academy (MMLA) is to be a provider of top-quality education to a highly diverse student body. MMLA will prepare all students for success in college, equip them with the ability and desire for lifelong learning, and strengthen their civic, ethical, and moral values. MMLA will maintain high standards of efficiency and accountability throughout its operation.

AGENDA

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

I. Roll Call	Present	Absent
Robert Macomber (RM)		X arrived at 6:11 PM
Versey Williams (VW)	X	
Nettavia Curry (NC)	X	
Leigh Faith (LF)	X	

II. Approval of Minutes

a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes held on August 13, 2018

VW asks BOD to review. LF moves to accept as presented. No discussion.

Motion Moved: LF Motion Seconded: NC Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays *passed*

III. Approval of Agenda (if items are added, they should be included under Other Business)

VM asks BOD to review. VW requests changes to move item IV a i Financial Audit Presentation to be presented after IV b Educational Providers Report. VW also requests to move item V d Closed Session to be presented after the Financial Audit Presentation. NC moves to accept was changes discussed.

Motion Moved: NC Motion Seconded: LF Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays *passed*

IV. Administrator Report(s)

a. Financial Updates: Month End Reports J. Pechette, IISD

JP presents August monthly financial reports. Reminds BOD there is no September State Aid payments. BOD no questions.

b. Educational Provider's Report Director, T. Tenneriello

TT presents written EPR. Highlighting the new PD and PLCs (Professional Learning Communities) are happening with staff daily after students are released for the day. One new teacher pointed out the help she has already gotten from the PLCs. Enrollment is down from the budget and we're looking into budget options, so far we have only had one layoff and was able to shift existing staff into vacancies that occurred over the summer; so we have cut positions while limiting the number of layoffs.

c. 2017-18 Financial Audit Presentation Kasey Roth, Maner Costerisan

Kasey Roth (KR) from Maner Costerisan presents the financial findings audit report for FY 2017-18. KR thanks Rebekah Cathey, Jon Pechette and Becky Hills for their support through the audit process which made things go smoothly. We have given the school an unmodified opinion, which is good. On pg 7 & 8 you will see that the net position for the school has increased by \$1700. Pg 10 reviews future bearing factors, pg 13 is what you would know as an income statement, pg 18 begins the notes section, pg 31 shows the budget vs actual – good. No questions from BOD.



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V. New Business

- a. **Closed Session: consideration of written legal opinion pursuant to subsection 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(h) (2/3 roll call vote required) Thrun Law Firm, P.C.**
RM ask BOD to moving into closed session.

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Robert Macomber (RM)	X	
Versey Williams (VW)	X	
Nettavia Curry (NC)	X	
Leigh Faith (LF)	X	

Motion Moved: LF Motion Seconded: VW Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays passed

BOD returns from closed session at 7:25 PM

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Robert Macomber (RM)	X	
Versey Williams (VW)	X	
Nettavia Curry (NC)	X	
Leigh Faith (LF)	X	

Moved by LF to move forward with the recommendation offered in the legal opinion by Thrun Law Firm.

Motion Moved: LF Motion Seconded: VW Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays passed

- b. **Fiscal Resolution: Designated Signatory**

VW moves that signatories on MMLA bank accounts are Leigha Faith and Robert Macomber.

Motion Moved: VW Motion Seconded: NC Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays passed

- c. **Discussion: Annual Board Retreat**

BOD discusses dates and times for October Retreat. Decision made to cancel the Oct. 8 regularly scheduled Board Meeting and hold an October Meeting and Work session on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at a to-be-determined location starting at 9:00AM.

- d. **Discussion: Board Member Vacancy**

RM mentions MMLA has received two Board Member Applications. One from Nick Benavides who is here tonight and one from Michael Banks who was unable to attend tonight's meeting. RM welcomes Nick Benavides (NB) to the floor to introduce himself to the BOD. NB mentions he is a former staff member at MMLA and would like to join the board to help impact this community and work towards MMLA's continued success. LF – have you previously served on a Board? NB – I have not previously served on a board. I have many family members who have worked in education and heard their perspectives. I myself have worked at MMLA and am aware of how education is different from within. Advocating for MMLA, I have seen first-hand the effort this staff puts in. TT – with two applicants has the BOD considered and increase in members? This could help with establishing more committees. JT – would need an odd number so the increase considered would be to go to 7 board members and we would need a resolution passed. NC – years ago when we moved to 5 Board Members the thought was to help ensure a quorum. RM – will discuss in more detail at the retreat.

~~VI. Unfinished Business~~

~~VII. Public Comment (reserved for agenda items only)~~

~~VIII. Committee Report(s)~~

IX. CMU Discussions *J. Trout*

JT hopes that the BOD will soon have some committee reports to present. If the BOD has two applicants for the vacancy one could fill the position and the other could be on a committee; helping to create that bench for when a vacancy becomes available again. Oct. 4 is the annual conference

~~X. Extended Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person on any item/matter not listed on the agenda)~~

XI. Adjournment: 7:42 PM

Motion Moved: NC Motion Seconded: LF Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays passed



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MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Minutes from September 10, 2018 Board Meeting to be approved on October 24, 2018.

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted

Ruth Stetson

Recording Secretary

9/20/2018

Date

Approved by the Board of Directors

Victoria A. Curry

Board Secretary

10/24/2018

Date