

GENESEE STEM ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
RESCHEDULED REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Date: June 25, 2020

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Place: VIA Zoom –

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71727761262?pwd=VUZld1lYQ1lJUKZRU2hRSFZZT1RKUT09>

5240 Calkins Rd

Flint, MI 48532

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Morgan at 4:03 pm.

Roll Call

A roll call of attendance was taken.

Board Members

President, Dr. Morgan–Present (electronically)

Vice President/Treasurer, Legardye-Present (electronically)

Secretary, Taylor–Present (electronically)

Member, Shriver –Present (electronically)

Member, Cheek – Present (electronically)

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Also attending the meeting were the following individuals:

Attendees

Dr. Lorilyn Coggins, EMAN, Zoom Host (electronically)

Mr. Vincent Price, Principal (electronically)

Mr. Doug Newcombe, Saginaw Valley State University (electronically)

Ms. Gwendolyn Harvey, Genesee STEM Academy (electronically)

Mr. Gregory M. Meihn, Legal Counsel (electronically at 4:15 p.m.)

Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Cheek and seconded by Ms. Legardye that the agenda be approved. A roll call vote was taken. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver, and Cheek). Motion passed – Agenda, as amended, approved.

Conflict of Interest Inquiry

The Board Members reported no conflicts of interest with respect to any action items on the agenda.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Ms. Cheek and seconded by Mr. Shriver to approve the May 28, 2020 Rescheduled Regular Meeting Minutes. A roll call vote was taken. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver and Cheek). Motion passed – Minutes approved.

Oath of Public Office

The Oath of Public Office was administered to Mr. Edgar Taylor by Dr. Lorilyn Coggins (as Notary Public).

Correspondence

Correspondence from Dr. Lewis of Saginaw Valley State University was received and reviewed.

Executive Order 2020-129 regarding electronic participation in meetings due to Covid-19 was received and reviewed.

A copy of the Resolution adopted by the Saginaw Valley State University Board of Control with respect to board member nominations was received and reviewed.

Public Comment

No public comment on agenda items was received.

Reports

Mr. Price highlighted his monthly report to include statistics on enrollment, attendance, academics, staffing and professional development. He also provided the board with a proposal for transportation services for the 2020-2021 school year noting that the proposal was considerably higher than the current rate charged by MTA. There was some discussion about marketing for the coming school year and the scheduling of graduation ceremonies when/if social distancing regulations are lifted. Mr. Price further reported that 5,000 masks were received from the Mott Foundation.

Mr. Meihn was available by phone to provide an update on the sale of the property to Wonderful Foundation, possible rent reduction, TEFRA hearings for the tax free bond financing, and the tax exempt issue. There was some discussion about the possibility of exercising the option to purchase the property. He also noted that no lawsuits have been filed against the school.

Dr. Coggins presented the financial reports to include the May cash on hand, fund balance and revenue versus expenditure reports, check register and cash flow. It was moved by Ms. Cheek and seconded by Mr. Taylor to approve the May financial reports as presented. A roll call vote was taken. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver, and Cheek). Motion passed – Financial Reports approved.

Unfinished Business

No action was taken regarding the Lease.

New Business

It was moved by Ms. Legardye and seconded by Ms. Cheek to approve the June disbursements including a payment to Staples and Mekanator. A roll call vote was taken. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver, and Cheek). Motion passed – Disbursements approved.

It was moved by Ms. Legardye and seconded by Ms. Cheek to approve and adopt the 2019/2020 Amended Budgets (General Fund and School Service Fund). A roll call vote was taken. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver, and Cheek). Motion passed – 2019/2020 Amended Budgets approved.

It was moved by Ms. Legardye and seconded by Mr. Taylor that the Board approve and adopt the general fund and school service fund projected budgets for the 2020/2021 school year. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver, and Cheek). Motion passed – 2020/2021 Projected Budgets approved.

It was moved by Ms. Cheek and seconded by Ms. Legardye that the Board adopt the 2020/2021 Board Meeting Schedule, with the July meeting to be held at 4:00 pm. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion (AYE – Morgan, Legardye, Taylor, Shriver, and Cheek). Motion passed – 2020/2021 Board Meeting Schedule approved.

Extended Public Comment

The Board was reminded of the strategic planning sessions scheduled for July 10 & 11, 2020.

Announcement of Next Meeting

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 4:00 pm.

Professional Development

Mr. Doug Newcombe led a second professional development session with the Board.

Adjournment

It was moved by Ms. Cheek and seconded by Mr. Taylor to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm. The vote was unanimous (5/0) in favor of the motion. Motion passed – Meeting adjourned.



Dr. Lorilyn Coggins
Acting Recording Secretary

I certify that these minutes were approved as read by the Academy Board at a duly noticed open meeting held on July 16, 2020 at which a quorum was present.

By: **Harriett Cheek (Covid 19)**
Its: Secretary