

The mission of Ann Arbor Learning Community is to nurture independent lifelong learners as they acquire the tools they need to shape an environmentally and socially responsible future.

Ann Arbor Learning Community Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

July 21, 2020 @ 6:30pm (Zoom Virtual Meeting)
4377 Textile Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48197

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Agenda

Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting

School Leader's Report K-8

Treasurer's Report

Business Manager's Report

School Leader's Report 9-12

Call to Order @ 6:31

Board Member Roll Call

Present: Larry Berg, Ann Owen, Nate Gleeton, Leah Davis Absent:

Public Attendees

Teresa Woods, Ali Sultan, Rashad Ali, Tia Beverly, Shayla Tinsley, Kevin Whelan

First Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the July 21, 2020 agenda - Motion to accept Gleeton, Second Davis. Approved
2. Approval of June 30, 2020 board minutes - Motion to accept Gleeton, Second Davis. Approved

Correspondence

None

Committee Reports

1. Academic Advancement & Excellence/Owen – Nothing new to report
2. Finance & Infrastructure Development/Gleeton – Nothing new to report
3. Community Development & Relationships/Lawton - Nothing new to report
4. Marketing & Fundraising/Berg - Nothing new to report
5. Board Member Recruitment/Berg – No new board members in process at this time

Treasurer's Report/Nate Gleeton

See attached report. Moving forward N Gleeton will work with S Tinsley.

Action Items

Old Business - None

New Business -

1. Covid-19 Plan Presentation by T Woods. Section 1 (Phase 1,2,3) - no in-person instruction. Section 2 (Phase 4) which we are currently in. In-person instruction with careful precautions. (Examples: no large gatherings, face masks, cleaning, interior traffic flow inside the building) There will be staff professional development for on-line learning in case classes move to a digital format. Section 3 (Phase 5) Select requirements outlined in Section 2 would be relaxed as the local COVID numbers decline.
2. Motion to accept the attached COVID19 Response Plan Davis, Second Gleeton. Approved
3. Metro EHS Contract Renewal Review - All rates and structure will remain unchanged. Motion to accept the contract pending finalization by L Berg and legal council. Motion Gleeton, Second Davis. Approved
4. Our 20/21 k-12 integration plan is well underway. In addition to the current 6-8 in-person class offering, there will be a blended 6-8 model. R Ali explained the GEE expansion to grades 6-8 due to parent/student interest. 6th graders would come to the center daily. 7th graders would attend 2-3 days per week and 8th grade would attend 1-2 times per week. Each grade level would complete work on-line in addition to their in-building seat time. Four additional staff members will support the projected 100 6-8th grade Ypsilanti site students.
5. GEE Prep - an additional program for approximately 10 students 9-12. These students will not be AALC students as this is a separate program.
6. There will be no outside parties utilizing the building moving forward.
7. Significant building improvements are planned. Examples: HVAC system, Bathroom renovations, Gym floor, hoops and weight room. New AALC signage in front of the building.
8. Teresa is reviewing incremental enhancements also & will be presenting recommendations.
9. Rent and utilities will be reduced due to joint building use. These savings will help offset some of the COVID cleaning costs and building enhancements.
10. Contract amendment to allow 6-8 grade blended learning in addition to the current 6-8 in-person, brick and mortar instruction. Motion Owen, Second Gleeton. Passed
11. Shayla Tinsley, new business manager, introduction. Prior experience in charter schools.

Discussion Items

None

K-8 School Leader Report/Teresa Woods

See full report in board packet

School start date is August 24, 2020

K-8 enrollment is the same as last year. A few tours scheduled for potential new students

Playscape and science lab projects are being pursued

COVID coordinator will be the current PE/OT teacher

9-12 School Leader Report/Ali Sultan

See full report in board packet

250 students currently enrolled

Students and staff will continue to work from home

K- 8 Business Manager's Report/Larry Berg - Wendi Felgner/absent

See full report in board packet

Extension of promissory note with GEE of \$65,000

Second Public Comment

None

Next Meeting: August 18, 2020 @ 6:30 (Virtual Meeting)

Appreciations

LBerg - Wendi's efforts and dedication to AALC for many years. Thank you to GEE and Teresa on the expansion plans. Welcome Shayla to the AALC/GEE team.

T Wood - Thanks to Wendi. Appreciate all the work she has done. GEE, especially Rashad, to help negotiate the expansion plan - especially the AC. Thank you Denee for recommending Shayla. Thanks to Larry, Nate, Leah and Ann for supporting the school.

Adjournment @ 7:44

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann M. Owen

Board Secretary

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