

Lighthouse Academy Board of Directors

Approved Special Meeting Minutes

Mission: *A safe harbor that provides innovative whole-child education and ensures success despite life's storms.*

Date: November 8, 2024

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Lighthouse Academy – South Campus in the Central Office building
3330 36th St SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49512

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call.** *Peter VanGeldereren called the meeting to order at 11:40 a.m.*
 - A. Board Members Present.** Peter VanGeldereren, Aaron Toffoli, Angela Bunn, and Erica Galat.
 - B. Board Members Absent (with prior notice).** Todd Penning and Dr. Brenda King.
 - C. Others Present.** Dr. Heidi Cate, Superintendent; Leslie Cummings, Executive Director Business Office; and Amanda Shyne, Recording Secretary (attending virtually).
- II. Public Comment* (limited to agenda items only).** *None.*
- III. Approval of Agenda.** *A motion to approve the agenda was made by Angela Bunn and supported by Erica Galat. The motion passed unanimously.*
- IV. Consent Calendar.** *None.*
- V. Old Business.** *None.*
- VI. New Business.**
 - A.** *Approve Contingent LOI for new Juvenile Justice Institute site. Dr. Heidi Cate reviewed the LOI sent in advance of meeting. The LOI is non-binding and a lease would not be required to be signed until the end of February 2025. A motion was made by Aaron Toffoli to approve the Contingent LOI and supported by Angela Bunn. The motion passed unanimously.*
 - B.** *Approve Resolution for Address Change of Lighthouse – Academy JJI. The resolution was sent in advance of the meeting. The change of address is contingent on the Lighthouse Board approval of the new site. A motion to approve the resolution and submit it to Ferris State University was made by Aaron Toffoli and supported by Angela Bunn. The motion passed unanimously.*
- VII. Correspondence.** *None.*
- VIII. Extended Public Comment* (limited to non-agenda items only).** *None.*

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IX. Reconfirmation of Next Regular Meeting Date

December 3, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.
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- X. Adjournment.** *A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Erica Galat and supported by Aaron Toffoli. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:57 a.m.*

Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under Items II and IX above are requested to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

Complaints or concerns regarding Board members or school employees associated with the Academy shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the Board President at least five (5) days prior to the Board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner. (Source: Board Policy 0167.3)

Proposed minutes of this meeting will be available for public inspection at the Integrity Educational Services Central office at 3300 36th Street, SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512, eight (8) business days after the meeting. Approved minutes are available within five (5) business days after the meeting at which they are approved (in accordance with Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267.

Submitted by:



Amanda Shyne
Recording Secretary

Date: 11/8/2024

Approved by:



Aaron Toffoli
Board Secretary

Date: 12/03/2024