



NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2/14/2022 @ 4:00 pm

Board meeting was held at 529 S. Creyts Suite A. Lansing MI, 48917 and available to the public at:

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Pursuant of Michigan Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, being

ISMI Sections 15.261 to 15.275 of the Michigan Compiled Laws

AGENDA:

- 1) **Call to Order:** 4:01 pm by James Gambrell, President East Lansing
- 2) **Roll Call:** Jessica AcMoody, Board Member Lansing, Aaron Jackson Board Member Bloomfield Hills, and Ally Scully, Board Member Detroit by Zoom.
- 3) **Guess:** Amy West, Potential Board Member
- 4) **Also Present:** Teresa Boardman (ISMI) Head of School Grand Ledge, Pieter Hoestra (ISMI) Principal Lansing, Shada Biabani (CMU) School Lead Mt. Pleasant, Todd McIntire (K12) Regional Vice President, Gena Sparks (ISMI) AA-Special Programs Lansing, Mary Kimball (ISMI) Title I Coordinator St Johns, Jenifer Charles by Zoom
- 5) **Missing:** Angela Bolen (ISMI) Operations Manager Bath

Public Comment (Limited to Agenda Items)

None

Routine Business:

Approval of the Board Minutes from the Previous Meeting.

- I. Motion to approve the November 8, 2021, Minutes: James Gambrell
- II. Seconded: Jessica AcMoody
- III. Approval: Unanimous

Approval of the Agenda

- I. Motion to approve the Agenda: Jessica AcMoody
- II. Seconded: Aaron Jackson
- III. Approval: Unanimous

Old Business

- i. Committee Updates
Pieter updated the board on getting the teachers involved by getting them to come to a board meeting, meeting with the board and recommending participating on a committee. It was suggested get students interested in going to college by applying for scholarships.
- II. Draft Letter to Auditor Manual

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James drafted a letter going to Dr. Michael Rice, Superintendent of Public Instruction with the Michigan Department of Education. The letter is a response to the revisions to the Pupil Auditing Manual for school year 2021-2022. Express concern to the revisions to the Public Auditing Manual.

- I. Motion to approve the auditor manual draft letter: James Gambrell
- II. Seconded: Jessica AcMoody
- III. Approval: Unanimous

New Business

Head of School Report

Review of Opportunity Youth

- Opportunity Youth will be defined as those students that are severely off-track to graduate with their four-year accountability cohort based on a minimum population threshold of 620%. More specifically, at least 60% of students must be two or more years off-track to graduate in four years (upon enrollment) and exhibit at least two of the characteristics listed.
- Has been involved in the criminal justice system
- Has failed at least one course during their middle school
- Has been dis-enrolled from high school for at least one semester
- Is parenting
- Is in or nearly aged-out of foster care
- Has a long-term history of housing insecurity or mobility
- Has documented physical health challenges
- Has an Individual Education Program
- Has documented mental health challenges
- Exhibits Post Traumatic Stress Disorder tendencies due to childhood trauma

Opportunity Youth Measures

- The Center has identified one standardized academic measure and will collaborate with partner schools to identify two-standardized measures that reflect the specific mission of the school and help to tell the school's story. The standardized academic measure is improvement in grade level performance on NWEA MAP.
- Distribution of students who improved at least one grade level from pre-test scaled scores (which will be in the form of percentages):
- Meet $\geq 50.0\%$

Discussion followed and resolution to amend charter in areas of Is requesting to amend the following schedules in its Charter Contract:

Schedule 7b: Educational Goals and Related Measures

Schedule 7c: Educational Program

Schedule 7d: Curriculum

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In order to formally move to serve Opportunity Youth motion to request Charter Amendments.

- I. Motion to approve contract amendments to serve Opportunity Youth: James Gambrell
- II. Seconded: Aaron Jackson
- III. Approval: Unanimous

- Review of ISMI Structure

Board has
Relationship/agreement
with CMU and Stride

Academy
Authorizer/
CMU



School Board → Stride



ISMI

School Products – Online platform, tools, courses, system, etc.
 Services – Marketing, enrollment, academics, HR, finance, payroll, etc.
 Personnel – All staff regardless of roll

- Board Policy Updates

- 0100-Definitions. Revision of current policy. Legally required. The definition of “Voting” has been revised to reflect the change in statute regarding allowable exceptions to “in person” voting at meetings of the Board, only the military duty exception remains.
- 0167.3 – Public Participation in Board Meetings. Revision of current policy. Legally required and in line with recent U.S. District Court of the 6th circuit.
- 0167.3 – optional language deleted. To remove the authority of the presiding officer at board meetings where public participation is permitted to regulate speakers based on comments that are “above,” “frivolous,” and/or “harassing.” These measures are intended to prevent academies from engaging in viewpoint in nature, perceived as hostile to the direction of the board and/or merely offensive, Options have been added for preregistration, including prohibiting individual in nature, perceived as hostile to the direction of the board and/or merely offensive, Options have been added for preregistration, including prohibiting individuals from signing up to speak for others.

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Finally, there are options for academies who livestream meetings to determine whether they will facilitate public participation remotely.

- 6114 – Cost Principles – Spending Federal Funds. Revision of current policy and legally required. Updates provide greater detail in allowability guidance for academies regarding expenditure of federal funds.
- 7450 – Property inventory. Revision of current policy and legally required. A drafting note has been added to this policy noting the federal threshold of \$5,000 for differentiating between supplies/materials and a capital expenditure for equipment purchase.
- 8310 – Public Records – Revision of current policy and legally required. This policy has been revised to comply with the obligation not to disclose the address of a student or an employee who provides the Academy with notice that they received a participation card issued by the attorney general under the Address Confidentiality Program Act. The address confidentiality program; to provide certain protections for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking and for certain other individuals
- 8330 – Student Records – Revision of current policy and legally required. Revised to reflect change in federal rule. If the Academy issues student email addresses, it must release such email addresses to military recruiters as part of directory information, as requested, unless prohibited by student or parent request in writing.

Approval of the Agenda

- I. Motion to approve the Board Policy Changes: Jessica AcMoody
- II. Seconded: Aaron Jackson
- III. Approval: Unanimous

Mid – Year Testing Update (Return to Learn)

- ❖ NWEA was administered in the fall 2021
- ❖ Currently re-administering now the measure mid-year growth.
 - To date:
 - 82% completed mid-year testing. Goal is to be at a minimum of 95% by the end of the week.
 - Preliminary growth:
 - Overall – 45% growth
 - Math – 47%
 - Reading – 42%

Partnership Update

- Held our quarterly review in November
- Dr. Pearson joined and was impressed with the amount of data ISMI has available as well as the work they are doing.

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- 21h funding was approved and will be used to continue to fund our Curriculum Coordinator position and summer school offerings.

Current Enrollment

- 791 (as of 1/3/2022)
- 649 (as of 11/8/2021)
- 621 (as of 10/8/2021)
- Currently still enrolling and have not reached CAP yet.
- Students Passing all courses (385)
- Overall passing rate 63.9%
- End of S1 Q2 Jan 26

Academic Agreement Updates for 22/23

- Review of Academic agreement
 - Meeting MMC requirements
- Recommended Changes
 - Schedule 7b: Educational Goals and Related Measures
 - Schedule 7c: Educational Program
 - Schedule 7d: Curriculum
 - Enrollment CAP

Holiday of Hope Shout Out

- "Only Christmas help this year."
- "Thank so much"
- "Thank u so much for the Christmas gifts, made my whole Christmas"
- "Thank you thank you!"

- **Finance**

Jenifer presented the financial review for December, January, and February
Motion to approve the K12 payment

- I. Motion to approve the K12 payment of \$ 1,055,242.00 December and January: James Gambrell
- II. Seconded: Jessica AcMoody
- III. Approval: Unanimous

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Motion to approve the second K12 payment for February

IV. Motion to approve the second K12 payment of \$820,770.04: James Gambrell

V. Seconded: Aaron Jackson

VI. Approval: Unanimous

Stride Update Todd McIntire

Stride will continue monitoring the Pupil Auditing Manual for school year 2021-2022. James Gambrell drafted a letter that will be sent to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Governor released the 2022/2023 budget. There were increases but no funding for Charter Schools. Will watch to see how it turns out.

Authorizer Comment - Shada Biabani

Upcoming Events:

Providing Feedback: Classroom:

Feedback Strategies and Tools

Feb. 15, 2022 – Webinar

Learning for Leaders MAP Growth:

Maximizing Growth Metrics & Increasing

Assessment Engagement

Feb. 23, 2022 – Webinar

New Board Member Orientation

March 8, 2022 – Webinar

MAP Growth: Maximizing Growth Metrics

& Increasing Assessment Engagement

March 9, 2022 – Webinar

Activating Learners: Peer and Self

Assessment

March 15, 2022 – Webinar

Direction of Michigan Education

March 16, 2022 - Lansing

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Activation Learners: Student-Directed
Learning
April 5, 2022 – Webinar

Good Governance Country: Assisting Your
Boards to Identify Landmarks
April 20, 2022 - Detroit

2022 Annual Conference
Engaging Minds, Cultivating Success
August 23 / Novi, MI
Keynote Speaker Brandon P. Fleming

Shada wanted to let the board know that they can meet in other places. Revisit later.

March 1, 2022, Board Member Appreciation Day

Public Comment

None

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: : James Gambrell
Seconded: Jessica AcMoody
Meeting adjourned 5:45 pm

Next meeting March 14, at 4:00 pm

Minutes Certification:

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Teresa M. Boardman

02/22/2022

Board Secretary/Recording Secretary

Date

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Approved by the Board of Directors

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