

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

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Regular Meeting
GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: December 13, 2021
TIME: 4:30 p.m. / a.m.
LOCATION: Participation via Zoom

Approved

In order to adhere with the Wayne County Local Public Health Department Emergency Epidemic Order (June 24, 2021) in Response to the Covid-19 Pandemic under MCL 333.2453, This meeting will be held via Zoom

MINUTES

MEETING TYPE: REGULAR SPECIAL PROPOSED APPROVED

I. CALL TO ORDER

PRESIDENT JAMILLE EDWARDS called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m./ a.m. on Monday, December 13, 2021.

II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Jamille Edwards, President, Board of Directors Participating remotely from Highland Park, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dr. Caesar Mickens, Vice President, Board of Directors Participating remotely from Detroit, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Gerrajh Surles, Secretary, Board of Directors Participating remotely from Highland Park, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Desmond Gibbons, Treasurer, Board of Directors Participating remotely from Detroit, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mrs. Kenya Ruth, Member, Board of Directors Arrive at 4:39 p.m. Participating remotely from Detroit, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

ADMINISTRATION

Mrs. Sylvia Brown, Superintendent/CAO, GWCA
 Mr. Christopher Lindsay, Principal, GWCA

OTHERS PRESENT (all or part of the meeting)

Mrs. Alma S. Hollins, Board Liaison, Provision
 Mr. Mark Nezich, Bay Mills Community College Charter Schools Board of Regents, Brimley, Michigan

The proposed agenda was made available via the website.

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III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE December 13, 2021 **MEETING AGENDA.**

AS PRESENTED.

WITH CHANGES/ADDITIONS.

SUPPORT: TREASURER DESMOND GIBBONS SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the George Washington Carver Public School Academy Board of Directors, will be held on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 14510 Second Avenue, Highland Park, MI 48203.

This meeting is scheduled to convene at 4:30 p.m./ a.m.

IV. APPROVAL OF November 18, 2021 **MEETING MINUTES**

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE November 18, 2021 **MEETING MINUTES**

SUPPORT: TREASURER DESMOND GIBBONS SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

V. APPROVAL OF October 11, 2021 **CLOSED MEETING MINUTES**

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE October 11, 2021 **CLOSED MEETING MINUTES**

SUPPORT: MEMBER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

VI. CAO/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTa. Enrollment

- In K-8 grades, there are 397 students. Enrollment is closed for the Fall.
- In Pre-K, there are 32 students. Enrollment is ongoing.

b. Academic Achievement

- Mrs. Brown shared that instruction at GWCA is currently virtual due to Covid cases in the Elementary and Middle School. Mrs. Brown shared the virtual learning plan with the Board.
- Computers have been distributed to the kindergarten students. As such, all students K-8 now have 1:1 computers at home and at school.
- Reset – Mrs. Brown shared that it takes the scholars a couple of weeks to get readjusted back to school. Mrs. Brown added that that are working on the adjustment process. Additionally, the coaches are working with the instructional staff to make sure that they are still providing good instruction.
- Special Ed Services – Mrs. Brown mentioned that GWCA is still meeting the needs of families and added that all special ed scholars are in regular classrooms.
- GWCA will be discontinuing ½ days on Wednesdays and will be moving to virtual Fridays when they come back to school in January.

c. Financials

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- Mrs. Brown reviewed the Financial Dashboard with the Board and reported that she is working on the ESSER III reporting to the State.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approval of Request for Reauthorization Resolution

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR REAUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION.

SUPPORT: SECRETARY GERRAJH SURLES SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: Secretary Surles read the Resolution.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL

- b. Approval of Fall 2021 Board Policy Updates

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FALL 2021 BOARD POLICY UPDATES.

SUPPORT: MEMBER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: Superintendent Brown explained the Board Policy updates changes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL

IX. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Bay Mills – Mark Nezych
Mr. Nezych wished everyone a Blessed Holiday.

XI. CORRESPONDENCE/FOR YOUR INFORMATION

None.

XII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- **Vice President Mickens** commended Superintendent Brown for all of the student activities.

XIII. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT

President Edwards spoke to the Board Retreat scheduled for January and asked that the Board members let Ms. Hollins know if there is anything that they specifically wished to cover at the Retreat.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:16 p.m. / a.m.

SUPPORT: MEMBER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL

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MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Alma S. Hollins
Recording Secretary

December 20, 2021
Date

Approved by the George Washington Carver Academy
Board of Directors:

Benny B. Smith
Board Secretary

January 10, 2022
Date

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