

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

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**Regular/Organizational Meeting
GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

DATE: July 12, 2021
TIME: 4:30 p.m. / a.m.
LOCATION: Participation via Zoom

Approved

MINUTES

MEETING TYPE: REGULAR SPECIAL PROPOSED APPROVED
 ORGANIZATIONAL

I. CALL TO ORDER

SUPERINTENDENT SYLVIA BROWN called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m./ a.m. on Monday, July 12, 2021.

II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Jamille Edwards, Member, Board of Directors Participating from Highland Park, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Dr. Caesar Mickens, Member, Board of Directors Participating from Detroit, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mr. Carlton Clyburn, Member, Board of Directors Participating from Highland Park, MI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Mrs. Kenya Ruth, Member, Board of Directors Participating from Grosse Pointe, 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. Ralph Cunningham, MM1

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. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION: MEMBER JAMILLE EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO NOMINATE MEMBER CARLTON CLYBURN AS PRESIDENT.

MEMBER CARLTON CLYBURN TURNED DOWN THE NOMINATION.

MOTION: MEMBER CARLTON CLYBURN MADE A MOTION TO NOMINATE MEMBER JAMILLE EDWARDS AS PRESIDENT.

SUPPORT: MEMBER KENYA RUTH SECONDED THE MOTION.

DISCUSSION: Member Edwards accepted the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

MOTION: PRESIDENT JAMILLE EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO NOMINATE MEMBER CAESAR MICKENS AS VICE PRESIDENT.

SUPPORT: MEMBER KENYA RUTH SECONDED THE MOTION.

DISCUSSION: Member Mickens accepted the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

MOTION: PRESIDENT JAMILLE EDWARDS MADE A MOTION TO NOMINATE MEMBER CARLTON CLYBURN AS SECRETARY.

SUPPORT: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS SECONDED THE MOTION.

DISCUSSION: Member Clyburn accepted the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

MOTION: SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN MADE A MOTION TO NOMINATE MEMBER KENYA RUTH AS TREASURER.

SUPPORT: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS SECONDED THE MOTION.

DISCUSSION: Member Ruth accepted the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE July 12, 2021 MEETING AGENDA

AS PRESENTED.

WITH CHANGES/ADDITIONS.

SUPPORT TREASURER KENYA RUTH 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, August 9, 2021 at 14510 Second Avenue, Highland Park, MI 48203. This meeting is scheduled to convene at 4:30 p.m./ a.m.

V. APPROVAL OF July 12, 2021 CONSENT AGENDA

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MOTION SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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| a. Approval of June 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes | |
| b. Account Designation | l. Newspaper Designation |
| c. Designated Signatory | m. Homeless Children and Youth Liaison |
| d. Official Posting Designation and Posting Person | n. CAO/Budget Timeline Resolution |
| e. Civil Rights Representative | o. Title VI Representative |
| f. Sexual Harassment and Title IX Coordinator | p. Audit Firm Resolution |
| g. FOIA Representative | q. Section 504 Coordinator |
| h. Resolution to Bond Board Officers | r. Resolution to Comply with all Laws |
| i. Board Corresponding Agent | s. Petty Cash Board Policy |
| j. Facsimile Designation | t. Credit Card Board Policy |
| k. Resolution authorizing Superintendent to negotiate and implement contracts with service providers (vendors) | u. Amend Board Policy 0154H – Replace Building Leader with Superintendent |
| | v. Amend Board Policy 6320 General Provision (insert “that exceed \$10k after Contracts”) |

SUPPORT TREASURER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

VI. CAO/SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Brown reported as follows:

- a. Enrollment – Re-enrollment is at 350. The goal is 554. (GWCA’s goal is to retain 85% of its current students and recruit 15% new students.)

- b. 2021-2022 School Year

Students will attend school 4.5 days per week. Wednesdays of each week will be a half-days. The half-days will be used for staff professional learning. The Academy will be offering limited childcare on that day.

- c. Academic Achievement

Mrs. Brown reported that the spring testing showed low performance for the students. The goal for the 2021-2022 school year is to close the gaps, provide supports for the students, and centralize GWCA’s resources to improve outcomes. Mrs. Brown informed the Board that the 2021-2022 school year is geared towards accountability.

- d. Summer School

97 scholars attended the first session, and although 90+ were registered for the second session, only 40 scholars were in attendance.

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VII. OLD BUSINESSa. Amend Superintendent Brown's 2020-2021 Contract

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO AMEND SUPERINTENDENT BROWN'S CONTRACT TO INCLUDE THE 6% INCREASE. SUPPORT TREASURER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS SUPERINTENDENT BROWN'S 2020-2021 EVALUATION

Superintendent Brown requested a Closed Session to discuss her 2020-2021 evaluation.

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION AT 5:05 P.M.

SUPPORT SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO ENTER BACK INTO OPEN SESSION AT 5:18 P.M.

SUPPORT TREASURER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS MADE A MOTION TO AMEND SUPERINTENDENT BROWN'S EVALUATION - CHANGING THE SCORE OF A-2 FROM 3 TO 4 IN GOVERNANCE & BOARD RELATIONS.

SUPPORT SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

IX. NEW BUSINESSa. Board Retreat Dates

- October 15-17, 2021

b. Amend Organizational Chart

Mrs. Brown explained the changes to the Organizational Chart as follows:

- Change Building Leader title to Principal
- Add instructional lead coaches
- Change Pupil Accountant, Compliance Manager, Executive Assistant title to Director of School Operations

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MOTION: TREASURER KENYA RUTH MADE A MOTION TO AMEND THE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART AS EXPLAINED BY SUPERINTENDENT BROWN. SUPPORT SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

c. Cancellation of IC Datacom Contracts

- Advanced System and Support
- Director of Instruction Technology
- Dedicated Chief Information Officer (VCIO)

MOTION: SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN MADE A MOTION TO CANCEL THE ABOVEMENTIONED THREE IC DATACOM CONTRACTS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

SUPPORT TREASURER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

d. Approval of Good Life Agency Contract (Technology and Training Support)

e. Approval of Good Life Agency Contract (Director of Educational & Information Technology)

MOTION: TREASURER KENYA RUTH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE GOOD LIFE AGENCY CONTRACT FOR TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING SUPPORT AND THE GOOD LIFE AGENCY CONTRACT FOR THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

SUPPORT SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

f. Approval of MetaParse Contract (System Engineering & Technical Support Services)

MOTION: TREASURER KENYA RUTH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE METAPARSE CONTRACT FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

SUPPORT VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

g. Board Member Nomination Process

MOTION: TREASURER KENYA RUTH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROCESS FOR OBTAINING AN ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBER.

SUPPORT VICE PRESIDENT CAESAR MICKENS SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

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X. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Bay Mills - Mark Nezich

Introduced himself to the Board and Administration.

XII. CORRESPONDENCE/FOR YOUR INFORMATION

None.

XIII. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: SECRETARY CARLTON CLYBURN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING

AT 5:38 p.m. / a.m.

SUPPORT: : TREASURER KENYA RUTH SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY VIA ROLL CALL.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Alma S. Hollins

Recording Secretary

July 22, 2021

Date

Approved by the George Washington Carver Academy
Board of Directors:

Carlton Clyburn

Carlton Clyburn (Aug 10, 2021 10:52 EDT)

Board Secretary

August 10, 2021

Date

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