

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

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Regular Meeting

**GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER PUBLIC SCHOOL
ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Approved

DATE: January 8, 2024

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: George Washington Carver Academy
14510 2nd Avenue
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48203

MINUTES

MEETING TYPE:

REGULAR

SPECIAL

APPROVED

PROPOSED

I. CALL TO ORDER

PRESIDENT JAMILLE EDWARDS called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.
on Monday, January 8, 2024

II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Jamille Edwards, President, Board of Directors

Ms. Sharmaine Robinson, Vice President, Board of Directors

Mr. Gerrajh Surles, Secretary, Board of Directors

Mr. Desmond Gibbons, Treasurer, Board of Directors

Present

Absent

Present

Absent

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Absent

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Absent

ADMINISTRATION

Mrs. Sylvia Brown, Superintendent/CAO

OTHERS PRESENT (all or part of the meeting)

Mrs. Karla McGhee, Board Liaison

Mr. Mark Nezych, BMCC Charter Schools Board of Regents, Brimley, Michigan

Mark Price, HPSD member

The proposed agenda was made available via the website.

III. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 9, 2024 AMENDED AGENDA

MOTION: VICE PRESIDENT SHARMAINE ROBINSON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE the January 9, 2024 MEETING AMENDED AGENDA.

AS PRESENTED.

WITH CHANGES/ADDITIONS.

SUPPORT: SECRETARY GERRAJH SURLES SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 12, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: MADE A MOTION SECRETARY GERRAJH SURLES TO APPROVE the December 12, 2023 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SUPPORT: VICE PRESIDENT SHARMAINE ROBINSON SECONDED.

DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. CAO/Superintendent's Report

a. Academics

- **2023/2024 School Year Enrollment Goals**
 - Pre-K 46
 - K-8 370
 - Total Enrollment: 416
- **Academic Achievement**
 - NWEA Winter Testing – January (modified schedule to ensure minimum loss of instructional time)
 - Reading and Math focus continues
 - Curriculum Mapping
- **Community Collaboration**
 - Toys for Tots (Holy Temple Faith)--Pre K - 7th grade - scholars received on 12/21/23
 - Finley Financial (25 Baskets)--Families submitted – baskets provided to families
 - Boys and Girls Club – computers to scholars to complete homework on site
 - Boys and Girls Club – Spring Concert sponsor field trip for scholars
 - General Dynamics Land Systems - STEM partnering with Boys and Girls Club – 13 wks
 - SRO
 - Gate installation – phase II
 - Reggie McKenzie- Literacy After School tutoring – January start date (pending grant)
 - LEAP – Grow Your Own Leaders
 - Two Candidates enrolled in Administration Certification Program via MASA (Michigan Association of School Administrators)
 - Tuition/Fees/Test/Books -Scholarship awarded
- **Operations**
 - HVAC Project
 - Grow Your Own (GYO) Leaders
 - Department Chairs
 - K-2 Mrs. Borden-Davis
 - 3-5 Mrs. Arnold
 - 6-8 Mr. Gregory Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Coordinator
 - Deans of Culture – K-4th Grade Ms. Melton
 - Dean of Culture – 5th -8th Grade – Mr. Gregory (transitioning)
 - Leadership Coaching for the above
 - Monthly 1:1 and small group
- **Grant Award Updates**
 - 21h awarded \$136k – attached
 - 23g in progress

b. Financial Report

- December Financials
 - Audit submission
 - January 12, 2024- **submission January – extended**
 - New Audit Firm moving forward on course to submit the 2nd or 3rd week of January
 - Taylor and Morgan was notified of the change and sent their final invoice

VI. OLD BUSINESS

a. RFP for HR Services

- **Presentation will be held at the February Board meeting**

b. Board Retreat

- **Pending application for Open seat Board Member**
- **February 2024**
 - **Strategic Planning Part II**

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. FOLLOW-UP BUSINESS

- a. None

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Bay Mills – Mark Nezrich
- Happy New Year

X. CORRESPONDENCE/FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- NONE

XI. BOARD COMMENTS

- None

XII. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT (LIMITED TO 1 MINUTE PERPERSON)

- a. Mark Price
- Happy New Year

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: SECRETARY GERRAJH SURLLES MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:58 PM

SUPPORT: VICE PRESIDENT SHARMAINE ROBINSON

SECONDED. DISCUSSION: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Karla McGhee

January 8, 2024

Recording Secretary

Date

Approved by the George Washington Carver
Academy Board of Directors:

January 8, 2024


Gerrajh W Surlles (Jan 9, 2024 17:20 EST)

Board Secretary

Date







Proposed Minutes 01.08.2024

Final Audit Report

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