

**PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIES OF DETROIT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Public School Academies of Detroit Board of Directors

Meeting Date and time: Tuesday, October 29, 2013, 12:00 p.m.  
Meeting Location: UPA High School  
610 Antoinette, Red Building  
Detroit, MI 48202  
Minutes Approved: January \_\_\_, 2014

A. Call to Order at 12:04 p.m. and Roll Call

Mr. Parks called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Directors present: Mr. Edward Parks  
Ms. Annis Stubbs  
Mr. Keith Cooley  
Ms. Denise Lewis (arr 12:26 p.m.)  
Ms. Zina Kramer (arr 12:21 p.m.)  
Mr. James Nicholson

Directors excused  
and absent:

Ms. Jean Baker

Others present:	Mr. John Cleary, TEF	Mr. Joseph Horonzy, TF
	Mr. Peter Webster	Mr. Mark Ornstein, Detroit 90/90, Chief Executive Officer
	Ms. Lori Koenig, Detroit 90/90, Chief Operating Officer	Ms. Deborah Parizek, CUE, HFLI
	Ms. Margaret Trimer-Hartley, Detroit 90/90	Ms. Nan Gill, CUE, HFLI
	Mr. James D. Smith, GVSU	Mr. Benn Allen, Detroit, Detroit 90/90, Director of Data, Instruction and Assessment
	Mr. Julius McDougal, HFLI	Ms. Sarah Laird, Detroit 90/90
	ID Jegede, CUE HFLI	

and other members of the audience and general public.

Mr. Parks made welcoming remarks, identified guests, and introduced the Board agenda topics and procedures.

B. Approval of the amended Agenda and Minutes from Meeting of 08/27/2013:

Upon motion of: Mr. Nicholson

Seconded by: Mr. Cooley

Motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the Public School Academies of Detroit approves the agenda, as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

C. Board President Comments

Mr. Parks noted the following milestones and comments: 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the UPA campus (and the 13<sup>th</sup> year of operation), the schools now have nine campuses, 4,200 students, and the schools have met the Detroit 90/90 vision.

Mr. Parks noted that the financial reports will be reviewed in detail at the January 2014 board meeting.

D. Detroit 90/90 Report by Mark Ornstein and Ms. Danielle Jackson including the following:

- Personnel changes
- New appointments
- Enrollment results
- New elementary school first weeks
- Financial Reports
- Other matters of interest

Mark Ornstein answered Board Member questions after their report.

E. Creative Urban Education (CUE) report and HFLI Elementary report by acting Superintendent, Nan Gill, including the following:

- Implementation of corrective action plan
- Enrollment results
- Financial Reports
- Other matters of interest

Nan Gill answered Board Member questions after her report including the five areas of focus and alignment.

F. Authorizer comments related to PSAD participation in GVSU Academic Grant Program.

G. Presentation of Auditor Reports by Gregory Terrell, CPA and Ms. Sherri Carter.

Upon motion of: Mr. Nicholson

Seconded by: Ms. Lewis

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Public School Academies of Detroit accepts the audit reports as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

H. Consent Agenda:

- 1) Review and Approval of Detroit 90/90 recommendation for expenditure of their Independent Contractor Agreement 2012-2013 Surplus

Upon motion of: Mr. Cooley

Seconded by: Ms. Kramer

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Public School Academies of Detroit participate in the 2013-2014 GVSU Grant Program and authorize the Board President or his designee to execute any necessary documents.

Motion passed unanimously.

- 2) Review and Approval of Detroit 90/90 recommendation for expenditure of their Independent Contractor Agreement 2012-2013 Surplus

Upon motion of: Mr. Nicholson

Seconded by: Mr. Cooley

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

The Public School Academies of Detroit authorizes its Board President in accordance with the applicable Independent Contractor Agreement to approve the disposition of Detroit 90/90 surplus funds in the amount of \$149,400.00 realized for the year ending June 30, 2013 as proposed by Detroit 90/90 for the use of improved leaseholds for TEF-ONE, LLC and other specific items set forth on the attached Appendix A, and to execute the necessary documents needed to implement the approved expenditure for surplus funds.

Motion passed unanimously.

- 3) Approval of Section 22F (Best Practices) Resolutions:

Approval for UPA:

Upon motion of: Ms. Kramer

Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

WHEREAS, Section 22f of the State School Aid Act provides \$52 per pupil one-time grants to districts that satisfy at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria not later than June 1, 2014 [MCL 388.1622f].

WHEREAS, the Public School Academies of Detroit – University Preparatory Academy desires to receive the \$52 per pupil incentive payment;

WHEREAS, the University Preparatory Academy has satisfied at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria.

WHEREAS, eligibility for the incentive payment is contingent upon adopting a resolution that states the district has complied with the following 7 of 8 best practice criteria.

Now, therefore, be it resolved as follows:

1. The Public School Academies of Detroit certifies that University Preparatory Academy has complied with the following requirements:
  - The district is the designated policy holder for medical benefit plan(s) pursuant to Section 22f(1)(a).
    - As the academy has no direct employees, it is deemed to have met the above requirement.
  - The district has obtained a competitive bid on non-instructional services pursuant to Section 22f(1)(b).
    - The contract to provide food services was competitively bid.
  - The district accepts applications for enrollment by non-resident applicants under Section 105 or 105c (MCL 388.1705) pursuant to Section 22f(1)(c). A Public School Academy is considered to have met this requirement.
    - As a public school academy, University Preparatory Academy is considered to have met this requirement.
  - The district monitors individual pupil academic growth in each subject area at least twice during the school year using competency based online assessments pursuant to Section 22f(1)(d) and reports the results to the pupil and his or her

parent or guardian.

- The district supports opportunities for pupils to receive postsecondary credit while attending secondary school pursuant to Section 22f(1)(e).
  - The district provides a link on the district's home page to the url for the MiSchoolData Portal which will contain the required dashboard indicators pursuant to Section 22f(1)(g). If certain data elements for our district are unavailable from state data collections, we agree to provide those data in the form and manner determined by MDE.
  - The district provides physical education consistent with the 2003 State Board's Policy on Quality Education pursuant to Section 22f(1)(h).
2. The Public School Academies of Detroit authorizes and directs its secretary to file this resolution with the State Aid and School Finance Office of the Michigan Department of Education.
  3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval for UPSM:

Upon motion of: Ms. Kramer

Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

WHEREAS, Section 22f of the State School Aid Act provides \$52 per pupil one-time grants to districts that satisfy at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria not later than June 1, 2014 [MCL 388.1622f].

WHEREAS, the Public School Academies of Detroit – University Prep Science & Math desires to receive the \$52 per pupil incentive payment;

WHEREAS, the University Prep Science & Math has satisfied at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria.

WHEREAS, eligibility for the incentive payment is contingent upon adopting a resolution that states the district has complied with the following 7 of 8 best practice criteria.

Now, therefore, be it resolved as follows:

1. The Public School Academies of Detroit certifies that University Prep Science & Math has complied with the following requirements:
  - The district is the designated policy holder for medical benefit plan(s) pursuant to Section 22f(1)(a).
    - As the academy has no direct employees, it is deemed to have met the above requirement.
  - The district has obtained a competitive bid on non-instructional services pursuant to Section 22f(1)(b).
    - The contract to provide food services was competitively bid.
  - The district accepts applications for enrollment by non-resident applicants under Section 105 or 105c (MCL 388.1705) pursuant to Section 22f(1)(c). A Public School Academy is considered to have met this requirement.
    - As a public school academy, University Prep Science & Math is considered to have met this requirement.
  - The district monitors individual pupil academic growth in each subject area at least twice during the school year using competency based online assessments pursuant to Section 22f(1)(d) and reports the results to the pupil and his or her parent or guardian.
  - The district supports opportunities for pupils to receive postsecondary credit while attending secondary school pursuant to Section 22f(1)(e).
  - The district provides a link on the district's home page to the url for the MiSchoolData Portal which will contain the required dashboard indicators pursuant to Section 22f(1)(g). If certain data elements for our district are unavailable from state data collections, we agree to provide those data in the form and manner determined by MDE.
  - The district provides physical education consistent with the 2003 State Board's Policy on Quality Education pursuant to Section 22f(1)(h).
2. The Public School Academies of Detroit authorizes and directs its secretary to file this resolution with the State Aid and School Finance Office of the Michigan Department of Education.

3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Approval for HFA:SCS:

Upon motion of: Ms. Kramer

Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED THAT,

WHEREAS, Section 22f of the State School Aid Act provides \$52 per pupil one-time grants to districts that satisfy at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria not later than June 1, 2014 [MCL 388.1622f].

WHEREAS, the Public School Academies of Detroit - Henry Ford Academy:School for Creative Studies desires to receive the \$52 per pupil incentive payment.

WHEREAS, the Henry Ford Academy:School for Creative Studies has satisfied at least 7 of 8 best practices criteria.

WHEREAS, eligibility for the incentive payment is contingent upon adopting a resolution that states the district has complied with the following 7 of 8 best practice criteria.

Now, therefore, be it resolved as follows:

1. The Public School Academies of Detroit - Henry Ford Academy:School for Creative Studies certifies that the district has complied with the following requirements:
  - The district is the designated policy holder for medical benefit plan(s) pursuant to Section 22f(1)(a).
    - As the academy has no direct employees, it is deemed to have met the above requirement.
  - The district has obtained a competitive bid on non-instructional services pursuant to Section 22f(1)(b).
    - The contract to provide food services was competitively bid.
  - The district accepts applications for enrollment by non-resident applicants under Section 105 or 105c (MCL 388.1705) pursuant to Section 22f(1)(c). A

Public School Academy is considered to have met this requirement.

- As a public school academy, Henry Ford Academy:School for Creative Studies is considered to have met this requirement.
  - The district monitors individual pupil academic growth in each subject area at least twice during the school year using competency based online assessments pursuant to Section 22f(1)(d) and reports the results to the pupil and his or her parent or guardian.
  - The district supports opportunities for pupils to receive postsecondary credit while attending secondary school pursuant to Section 22f(1)(e).
  - The district provides a link on the district's home page to the url for the MiSchoolData Portal which will contain the required dashboard indicators pursuant to Section 22f(1)(g). If certain data elements for our district are unavailable from state data collections, we agree to provide those data in the form and manner determined by MDE.
  - The district provides physical education consistent with the 2003 State Board's Policy on Quality Education pursuant to Section 22f(1)(h).
2. The Public School Academies of Detroit authorizes and directs its secretary to file this resolution with the State Aid and School Finance Office of the Michigan Department of Education.
  3. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

Motion passed unanimously.

4) Approval of Board Policy for Student Awards

Upon motion of: Mr. Cooley

Seconded by: Mr. Nicholson

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Public School Academies of Detroit adopt the following resolution:

Detroit 90/90 and CUE / HFLI will work together to develop a coordinated Board policy regarding the recognition of student achievement and accomplishments and provide the written report to be discussed at the Board meeting in January 2014.

Motion passed unanimously.



I. Legal and Security Affairs – None reported

J. Public Comment –

Lynn Verbal, PTSA President for the UPSM High School summarized her background and introduced the UPSM PTSA members who were present at the Board meeting. Mr. Verbal provided a summary package of materials to the Board and provided an overview.

Mr. Michael McCloud provided a summary of background events at the UPSM and communicated a concern about the lack of trust and respect by Mr. Ornstein arising from a change in site based management to a more centralized management plan and changes to the UPSM staffing.

Other parents who spoke included Justin Shue, Vera Smith; Gary Cooper, Ms. Porter, Ms. Rudolph, and Ms. Jointer. They expressed their strong support for Dr. Gui and concern about the proposed changes and the talk of a merger of UPA with UPSM.

Mr. Parks thanked the parents for coming to the meeting and expressing their views. He stated that no merger is contemplated and underscored the Board's strong support for UPSM and to keep it a great school.

J. Adjournment –

Upon motion of: Mr. Nicholson

Seconded by: Ms. Stubbs

MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the Public School Academies of Detroit meeting be adjourned.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Next meeting date: Board Meeting:  
HFA:SCS  
Tuesday, 1/21/2014 at Noon,  
485 W. Milwaukee  
Detroit, MI

Minutes prepared by:

---

Peter Webster, Esq.

Minutes Approved by:

---

Ed Parks, Board President

Date: January \_\_, 2014

BLOOMFIELD 38030-1 1336317v1