

# **Findlay Digital Academy**

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, October 5, 2023**

**12:00 PM**

The Board of Directors of the Findlay Digital Academy met in a regular session at 12:00 PM at Findlay Digital Academy, 1219 West Main Cross, Findlay, Ohio. 45840.

President, Ms. Bash called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM.

Board members present were as follows: President Ms. Bash, Mr. Galbraith, Ms. LaRocco, Mr. Miller, Mr. Thomas. Also, Mrs. Rooker (FDA Executive Director) and Michael Brand (Secretary/FDA Principal)

Absent Board members were as follows: Dr. Wannemacher

Visitors: There were no visitors to the meeting.

## **2023-10-001 Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Mr. Galbraith and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

Roll call: Mr. Galbraith, Aye; Mr. Miller, Aye; Mr. Thomas, Aye; Mrs. LaRocco, Aye; Ms. Bash, Aye.

Motion passed.

## **Public Participation:**

There was no public participation during this meeting.

## **Correspondence:**

Board Members – Nothing shared.

Superintendent, Rosemary Rooker – The superintendent discussed with the Board the possibility of moving the time of one of our board meetings to better meet Steve Earnest's schedule. We will try to find a time in the future.

Treasurer, Stephen Earnest – The treasurer was not able to attend today's meeting due to a conflict with his schedule at MOESC.

**2023-10-002 Consent Items (A-N)**

- A. **Ohio Community School Annual Budget**  
The Treasurer recommends that the Ohio Community School Annual Budget be accepted as presented in Exhibit A.
- B. **Ohio Community School Five Year Forecast**  
The Treasurer recommends that Ohio Community School Five Year Forecast be accepted as presented in Exhibit B.
- C. **Monthly Financial Report for July, 2023**  
The Treasurer recommends that the July Monthly Financial Report be approved as presented in Exhibit C.
- D. **Monthly Financial Report for August 2023**  
The Treasurer recommends that the August Monthly Financial Report be approved as presented in Exhibit D.
- E. **Acceptance of the 2022-2023 Findlay Digital Academy Report Card**  
The Superintendent recommends the acceptance of the 22/23 Findlay Digital Academy Report Card received from the Ohio Department of Education as presented in Exhibit E.
- F. **2022-2023 Annual Report/Comprehensive Report**  
The Superintendent recommends the 2019-2020 Annual Report be accepted as presented in Exhibit F
- G. **Memorandum of Understanding with Family Resource Center Prevention Department**  
The Superintendent recommends that the Memorandum of Understanding with Family Resource Center Prevention Department for collaboration on initiatives be approved as presented in Exhibit G.
- H. **Memorandum of Understanding with We Serve Coffee**  
The Superintendent recommends that the Memorandum of Understanding with We Serve Coffee for collaboration on initiatives be approved as presented in Exhibit H.
- I. **Memorandum of Understanding with Help Me Grow**  
The Superintendent recommends that the Memorandum of Understanding with Help Me Grow for collaboration on initiatives be approved as presented in Exhibit I.
- J. **Memorandum of Understanding with Hancock Area Transportation Service**  
The Superintendent recommends that the Memorandum of Understanding with Hancock Area Transportation Service for collaboration on initiatives be approved as presented in Exhibit J.

- K. Memorandum of Understanding with University of Findlay's 4 Paws for Ability Club**  
The Superintendent recommends that the Memorandum of Understanding with University of Findlay 4 Paw's for Ability Club on initiatives listed be approved as presented in Exhibit K.
- L. Acceptance of TRECA Enhancement Services and Special Education Obligations** The Superintendent recommends the approval of the TRECA Enhancement Services and Special Educations Obligations entered into for FY 2024 with TRECA as presented in Exhibit L.
- M. Salary Increase for Work Based Learning Coordinator**  
The Superintendent recommends an increase of \$2,000.00 to the current salary for the Work Based Learning Coordinator to coordinate media communications effective for the 2023-2024 school year as a purchased service through the Jefferson County Educational Service Center.
- N. Acceptance of Gift from Wal Mart**  
The Superintendent recommends the acceptance of a \$75.00 in gift card to Findlay Digital Academy.

It was moved by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Galbraith to approve the Consent Items (A-N).

Roll call: Mr. Miller, Aye; Mr. Galbraith, Aye; Mr. Thomas, Aye; Ms. LaRocco, Aye; Dr. Ms. Bash, Aye.

Motion Passed.

### **Discussion Items**

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- **Enrollment Numbers – We currently have 208 students enrolled with FDA. We have 4 moving out of state. We also have 16 students on the waiting list. Our current breakdown of our student attendance is as follows: 15 Freshman / 41 Sophomores / 73 Juniors / 79 Seniors. 70% of our students are from Findlay and 30% are from county schools.**
- **CCIP/OIP - Rosemary and Steve work to keep these grants updated in the state system.**
- **Update on 22+ Program – We have 11 newly enrolled students with 3 students who were carried over from the 22/23 school year.**
- **Upcoming Testing – State testing will begin in December. We will be offering interventions and remediations throughout November. These sessions will include both small group and individual interventions.**

- Update on Hybrid Funding Program – There are 11 DOPR schools that are involved in this funding program that is now written into the budget. Payments will be sent through normal payments received from the Ohio Department of Education.

**Sponsor Update:** There is no new news on this topic at this time. Attorney, Brian DeSantis is working on FDA's behalf.

**Board Comments:** None were made at this time.


**2023-10-003 Adjournment**


It was moved by Mr. Galbraith and seconded by Mr. Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 PM.

Roll Call: Mr. Galbraith, Aye; Dr. Thomas, Aye; Mr. Miller, Aye; Ms. LaRocco, Aye; Ms. Bash, Aye.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:05 PM

The next Findlay Digital Academy Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 12:00 PM at the FDA Board Room.

  
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President

  
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Treasurer

Read and Approved