



HIGHPOINT
VIRTUAL ACADEMY
OF MICHIGAN

Highpoint Virtual Academy

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 29, 2017 @ 4:00 pm

Board meeting to be held at: 210 E. Mesick Ave. Mesick, MI 49668

Via conference call # 888.824.5783 Passcode: 17700635 #

Via Blackboard Collaborate @ <http://bit.ly/29PZpA6>

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Community notification posted at the following locations: Mesick Consolidated Schools; HVAM website

AGENDA:

- 1) Call to Order at 4:01 pm by Director Osborne
- 2) Roll Call
Present: Directors Osborne, Workman, Howell and Codden, with Superintendent Akom, Mary Moorman, Todd McIntire, Doug McNeil, Karen Young, Lindsay Hallead, Beth Perry, and Lori Andersen. Via conference call: Nancy Tuckey and HVAM learning Coach Holly Mueller. Also present Stacey Falconer, Davenport University, with Brian Miller and Christopher Marks representing Davenport University via conference call.
Absent: None
- 3) Public Comment (limited to agenda items; not to exceed 5 minutes limit per individual): None
- 4) Routine Business:
 - a) Approval of Minutes from the October 25, 2017 Board Meeting
Motion by Director Workman
Seconded by Director Howell
Approval Unanimous
 - b) Approval of Agenda for the November 29, 2017 Meeting
Motion by Director Workman
Seconded by Director Codden
Approval Unanimous
- 5) Discussion:
 - a) Parent Presentation – Learning Coach Mrs. Mueller asked to join us and share her positive experience with HVAM. Mrs. Mueller is very grateful for the advocacy from Mrs. Tuckey and Mrs. Feldotte on behalf of her student. Admits it hasn't been 100% smooth transition but they are so grateful to see their student maintain her grade level studies and achieving above and over their expectations. The Board thanked Mrs. Mueller for sharing her time and story.
 - b) Davenport University Enrollment Opportunity – Mary turned the floor over to Stacey Falconer from Davenport University who explained their enrollment opportunities. First time Davenport has the opportunity to possibly partner with an online school. Completely accredited. Supt. Akom asked if there are State concerns with dual enrollment being only online. Doug McNeil suggested maybe early on in program and the only caution to make sure that provision of 50D for cyber charter pupil accounting are followed. Akoma also asked about the transferability of credits. Davenport works with students and it is the responsibility of the college they are entering to accept Davenport's credits. Very cautious when saying credits are transferrable everywhere. Mary Moorman asked about success rate. Exact numbers weren't available. On 6th or 7th cohort with Kennowa Hills – maybe only 3 or so kids not completing program. Stacey asked about Board decision timeline. Board responded that they have to discuss as a board and

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more research and just a couple of months. We could start application process for this coming spring if state would accept.

- c) Head of School Report to include:
 - i. Enrollment –754 last week and 767 as of this morning. Some dropped off and as we hit 2nd semester will more than likely hit cap. ISD Mesick enrollment has changed. WD rate is looking better than last year.
 - ii. Mascot contest – Excellent entries and great responses. Gift cards to winners (Mrs. Billips was the grand prize winner) and tote bags with HVAM school items.
 - iii. USA Test Prep/Interim Academic Report – Went through interims with students – checkpoint pool of questions that align with our MSteps.
 - iv. Title I/Title II Updates – iReady program is up and running – identified students and are now working with general education teachers or with interventionist – reading and math three times a week to get them in and let them work. Additional money for summer school program to expand program to offer a stipend to those teachers working with summer school. Director Codden asked whether the program is for current students or for other schools. Typically our own students that are re-enrolling. Funding set aside for students who qualify as MKV – 15 students qualify. Laptops and also a wireless card for those MKV families.
 - v. Teacher Training Opportunity – ISD reading specialist working with our students on Friday afternoons as well as working with at-risk students (book) – easy to read – quick answers for real life situations. K12 has partnered with Southern New Hampshire University to help further their own education at a reduced cost. Program is a work in progress.
- 6) Submission, Discussion, Approval Requested Items:
 - a) Health Class Curriculum – State asks what we are teaching in our health classes. Starting with Health in 2nd semester. Shared with parents at last Learning Coach Committee. Mary went over content. Concerns are usually with unit 7 with social and sexual health. There are sensitive materials so we can provide alternatives and respect families’ cultural, religious and offer alternative suggestions. Mary shared whole curriculum and classes.
Motion by Director Workman
Seconded by Director Codden
Approval Unanimous
 - b) Presentation for Approval of Financial Reports
 - i. Presentation of October 2017 Financials –Only major things are difference in federal funding is delayed hiring in title teachers. Planning on spending funds but we are behind. Expenses also down because we didn’t hire title reading specialists immediately and moved one teacher from spot to spot. Basic funding is lower because we budgeted Section 25 a little lower. Todd asked about the forecast based on February count date – at 96% capture rate, which was actually 97% Lindsay added. Related services is up \$100k. We have a lot evaluations for students due to incomplete paperwork and newly identified students. \$38k awarded for IDEA funds from ISD. Will almost pay for entire special education teacher salary. Invoices paid for the month of October. Paul asked

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why Ford Motor Company was on the payables list. Testing facility for Mstep Testing deposit.

Motion to Approve financials by Director Codden

Seconded by Director Workman

Approval Unanimous.

Motion to pay \$\$378,253.85 by Director Codden

Seconded by Director Workman

Approval Unanimous

- 7) Acknowledgement Items – Board meeting moved to December 21st (Thursday) next month although if we don't have much to cover we can cancel.
- 8) Authorizer Comments – None
- 9) Todd added that Stuart Udell (CEO) has brought Kevin Chavous to the K12 team – founding father of Washington DC Charter School Board. Great person to advocate for students that choose to go to online schools and very excited to have on board with K12. Committed to spend time with every Board but has asked for info about our board and what he can do to support Highpoint and to interact more and come visit to Herndon – always welcome to come visit corporate. Mary suggested Superintendent Akom go to see support we receive.
- 10) New Business - None
- 11) Adjournment at 5:35 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Director Workman

Seconded by Director Codden

Approval Unanimous

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