
The budget hearing meeting of the Virtual Learning Academy of St. Clair County Board of Trustees was held on September 20, 2023 at VLA. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathleen Kish; Fran McBride; Cynthia Raymo

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dan DeGrow; Mary Gilbert

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Josh Everitt, VLA Principal; Linda Sikora, Academy Business Manager; Jean Sturtridge, RESA Director of Legal Services; Liz Yanik, Recording Secretary/Program Coordinator

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA:

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

None

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Approval of Minutes (*Enclosure #1*)

It was moved by Cynthia Raymo and supported by Fran McBride to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2023 meeting as presented.

PUT TO A VOTE: All: Yes **Motion: Carried**

B. Approval of Bills (*Enclosure #2*)

It was moved by Cynthia Raymo and supported by Fran McBride to approve the July 2023 bills (check numbers 3769 – 3786) for a total of \$67,630.60 and the August 2023 bills (check numbers 3787 – 3797) for a total of \$3,164.57 as presented.

PUT TO A VOTE: All: Yes Motion: Carried

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

A. August 2023 Financial Report (Enclosure #3)

Linda Sikora shared the financial report for August 2023. VLA continues to remain fiscally sound. The auditors are still working on finalizing the final report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS:

Josh Everitt shared his administrative update highlighting 3 orientation groups scheduled to start up before count day with approximately 40 new students; the kick-off of both VLA's hands-on Exploratory Art course and Applied Science course - both have been well received by students and we are excited to see more students take advantage of these course opportunities; the launching of NWEA and MAP Growth to better assess students math and reading knowledge and growth – there will be 2 virtual training sessions to teach staff how to examine and use the data collected. Josh also noted that he would have a detailed enrollment breakdown at the October Board meeting.

VLA Board members asked for an update on the VLA building relocation. Jean Sturtridge reported that site visits are being conducted. The VLA Board requested a presentation at the October board meeting including pictures, addresses, pros and cons of each site being considered. Jean Sturtridge indicated the goal of having a final decision made on a location by December 2023 or January 2024 if at all possible.

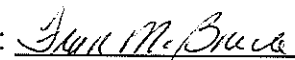
Next board meeting is October 18, 2023 @ 10 a.m. at VLA.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Fran McBride and supported by Cindy Raymo to adjourn the September 20, 2023 meeting at 10:35 a.m.

PUT TO A VOTE: All: Yes Motion: Carried


Liz Yanik, Recording Secretary

APPROVED: 
Fran McBride, Secretary/Treasurer