W-A-Y Academy Flint
Regular Board Meeting
Date: September 21, 2026

Members Present:
- Stephen L. Murphy
- L. Deon Williams
- Venetta Watt Tucker

Others Present:
- Isaiah Pettway *(Via Zoom)*
- Trena Braswell
- Ronda Carter
- Sherry Lynem *(Via Zoom)*
- Marilyn Galan *(Via Zoom)*

I. Greetings

II. Meeting Called to Order / Roll Call
- Time: 6:50 PM

Roll Call Attendance:
- Stephen L. Murphy (Genesee County) - Present
- L. Deon Williams (Genesee County) - Present
- Venetta Watt Tucker (Genesee County) - Present
- Sanford J. Edwards III (Genesee County) - Absent

III. Approval of the Agenda
- Motion: Moved by Venetta Watt Tucker (Y) / 2nd by L. Deon Williams (Y)
- Roll Call Vote:
  - L. Deon Williams (Y)
  - Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
  - Stephen L. Murphy (Y)

IV. Call to the Public
- Public Comment: NONE

V. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the August 31st, 2026 Rescheduled Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- Motion: Moved by L. Deon Williams (Y) / 2nd by Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
- Roll Call Vote:
  - L. Deon Williams
  - Venetta Watt Tucker

Approved

        - Stephen L. Murphy (Y)
    - Motion carries.

VI. Correspondence

A. LOI New Site (*Superintendent Pettway)*

- Please refer to the letter of intent for the lease of the new space in your board packet.
- There is an escalator for rent, each year but nothing alarming.
- Rent is currently at $12,500 at the current space.
- Rent for the Baker College location will be $9,500, a savings of $3,000 per month.
- Information has been turned in to LSSU and the board's attorney, Ms. Amy Gibbs.
- Ms. Amy Gibbs will be putting together a Lease based on the terms mentioned on the LOI.
- The new lease will only be for 1.5 years since the contract may not extend the current charter.

VII. LSSU Authorizer's Liaison's Report *(Superintendent Pettway on behalf of Mrs. Weisberger)*

- Nothing to report on behalf of Mrs. Melissa Weisberger today.
- Mr. Chris Oshelski asked to remind the board to stay on top of things with regard to the lease for the new location and to keep in mind that it must run concurrent with the current charter.

VIII. Educational Service Provider's Report / Superintendent's Report / Director's Report: *Superintendent's Report - Superintendent Pettway*

- When the lease is finalized, formal notice will be sent to the community and parents that a new facility has been secured.
- Correspondence was sent out over the Summer about the search for a new location for the school.
- The Consolidated Grants application has been submitted. A few modifications are needed. Modifications are currently being worked on and will be complete within the next couple of days.
- There will be a $250 per pupil allowance increase this year. This will take the current $10,050 up to $10,300.
- Most state funding is being changed to a weighted formula. Board members will be updated as more information becomes available.
- We are currently looking into a system that will streamline some of the administrative services of the school. This system will also be a database for all schools.
- The board will be presented with the cost when a decision is made.

Approved

Director's Report - Mrs. Ronda Carter

- Since creating the report in front of you, enrollment has increased from 82 to 95 students with the majority being 9th graders.
- 18 credits earned during the month of August.
- There are currently 26 potential student leads at this time.
- All students interviewed have been accepted to the school.

IX. Old Business

A. Discussion Items:
None

B. Action Items:
None

X. New Business

A. Discussion Items:

1. Baker College Site LOI (Approved previously by Board President Murphy)
    - This item has been discussed during Correspondence

B. Action Items:

1. Vote to ratify Baker College Site LOI
    - Motion to ratify Baker College Site LOI moved by L. Deon Williams (Y) / 2nd by Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
    - Roll Call Vote:
        - L. Deon Williams (Y)
        - Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
        - Stephen L. Murphy (Y)
    - Motion carries.

XI. Board Committee Reports / Comments / Action

Finance Committee - *Mrs. Sherry Lynem*

A. Discussion Items

1. August 2026 Financial Statements
    - State Aid Payment Received - $108,986.16
    - State of Michigan - $4,119.25
    - GISD - $32,330.36
    - Misc. Revenue (Worth & Cintas) - $866.54
    - Monies Transferred in August 2026 - $47,557.56
    - Accounts Payables as of August 2026 - $47,399.07
    - Payroll Liabilities (8/7, 8/21 & Healthcare) - $44,557.56
    - Request for transfer in the amount of - $91,956.63

B. Action Items

Approved

1. Approve August 2026 Financial Statements
    - Motion to approve June financial statements on both discussion and action items moved by Venetta Watt Tucker (Y) / 2nd by L. Deon Williams (Y)
    - Roll Call Vote:
        - L. Deon Williams (Y)
        - Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
        - Stephen L. Murphy (Y)
    - Motion carries.

XII. Announcements:

XIII. Call to the Public:

- Public Comment: NONE

XIV. Adjournment:

- Motion to Adjourn moved by L. Deon Williams (Y) / 2nd by Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
- Roll Call Vote:
    - L. Deon Williams (Y)
    - Venetta Watt Tucker (Y)
    - Stephen L. Murphy (Y)
- Motion carries.

The meeting ended at 7:06 PM
Minutes submitted by: Marilyn Galan

Approved

Minutes Certification:

Approved minutes of **September 21st, 2026** Regular Board Meeting respectfully submitted,

Venetta Tucker (Oct 19, 2026 20:38:49 EDT)

Board Secretary

19/10/2026

Date

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