ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Wednesday, September 16th, 2026 @ 12:00 pm

Tria Restaurant Executive Dining Room
at The Henry Hotel
Fairlane Plaza, 300 Town Center Dr, Dearborn, MI 48126

APPROVED MINUTES

President Steve Borich called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Steve Borich, President; Marquis Scott, Vice President; Kevin Ford, Treasurer; Janice Gilliland, Secretary Kenneth Williams, Director

Board Members Absent: None

A quorum being present, the meeting continued.

Administrators Present:
Barry Hawthorne, Executive Director / Chief Administrative Officer;
Carly Terns, Assistant Superintendent / HR Director;
Robert Robbins, Marketing and Communications Director;
Kaye LaGreca, Chief Academic Officer/Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Suzanne Bartos, Chief Legal Counsel;
David Heidtman, School Finance Manager from EdOps; and
Cindy Anderson, Early Middle College Principal and CTE Director
Judy Kingery, Campus Facilities Director

Others Present (virtual):
Julie Buchholtz

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Mandy Valentine, Director of Institutional Advancement; and
Brook Baker, Early Childhood Development Center Director
Garnet Green

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

The following matters were submitted for approval on the consent agenda:

- Adoption of Agenda of today's Regular Meeting
- Adoption of August 19th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to adopt the Consent Agenda. **KENNETH WILLIAMS** offered support. The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

TREASURER/ FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board was provided all budgets and financial documentation, the detailed report was presented by David Heidtman from EdOps.

A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to adopt the Treasurer's Report. **JANICE GILLILAND** offered support. The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Board was provided the management report, Barry Hawthorne presented a summary of the report which included:

- Enrollment figures
- Planned upgrades to the elementary playground.
- Staffing to the special education program and the researching of the Medicaid reimbursement for some social worker costs
- The athletic department being in compliance with the MHSAA rules and their recent visit.
- The possible partnerships with Focus Hope and Marathon Gas
- The review of the CTE program and return to the career academy goalss

A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to accept the management report, **KEVIN FORD** offered support. The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- ***Approval of the letter to WRESA requesting a review of the recent audit deduction***

  A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to approve the letter and supported by **KEVIN FORD.** The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

- ***Approval of the Trane 3-year School Wide HVAC Maintenance contract***

  A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to approve the Trane 3-year School Wide HVAC Maintenance contract and supported by **KENNETH WILLIAMS**. The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

- ***A comprehensive School Mental Health System was discussed as an information item; no action was necessary.***

- ***A School Based Behavior Health Program was discussed as an information item; no action was necessary.***

- ***Guidelines were discussed to obtain funding under the Perkins Act, this was an information item; no action was necessary***

LSSU REPORT

- ***Acceptance of the 2025-2026 annual Academic Report***

  A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to approve the Acceptance of the 2025-2026 Annual Academic Report and suported by **JANICE GILLILAND**. The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

ADJOURNMENT

Having concluded all business, the Regular Meeting was concluded at 1:12 pm.

A **MOTION** was made by **MARQUIS SCOTT** to adjourn the Regular Meeting, **JANNICE GILLILAND** offered support. The **MOTION** was **APPROVED 5-0.**

NOTE: All votes were roll call votes and everyone identified his or her self by name prior to speaking. The meeting was recorded verbatim and has been posted on the ATA website.

Approved: _____ Dated: 10-28-26

Title: President

Minutes prepared by Sue Bartos, Chief Legal Counsel.
Update by Robert Robbins, Marketing & Communications Director.