



# EAGLE'S NEST ACADEMY

## BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMY

### Board Meeting Minutes

Eagle's Nest Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Date: 11/19/20  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Location: Via Zoom Meeting

#### 1. Call to Order

#### 2. Roll Call:

- a. Glenn Cotton-present
- b. Kimberly Leverette-present
- c. LaShanda Osborn-present
- d. Vivian Palmer-present
- e. Gwendolyn Muldrew-present

#### 3. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

None made.

#### 4. Approval of Agenda

- Motion by Osborn > Second Muldrew
- Approved by Cotton, Muldrew, Osborne, Palmer, Leverette

#### 5. Approval of Minutes (of previous meeting)

- Motion by Osborn > Second Muldrew
- Approved by Cotton, Muldrew, Osborne, Palmer, Leverette

#### 6. Comments by Authorizer – Don Cooper

- District receive and Academic Grant in the amount of \$3,580 (\$20 per pupil)
- Half of funding was awarded for board training participation and other half was for academic results
- Formal acceptance of grant funds will be conducted at December board meeting
- Commendation for district's positive compliance history - information is accurate and received on time.

#### 7. Management Company Report – North Flint Reinvestment Corporation

- a. Confirmation of the compliance review
- b. Commendation for principal and school for contribution to efforts towards team effort related to compliance support
- c. Receipt of financial statements
- d. Roof repairs completed (costly)



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#### 8. Principal Report – Principal DeNesha Rawls-Smith

- a. **Student Enrollment Data:** 152 scholars enrolled; <10 from previous month.
- b. Instructional program remains the same: 100% remote
- c. 1:1 small group instruction.
- d. Attendance report target of 75% and did not meet during the 1st week of November (71%).
- e. Parent/Teacher Conferences held via Google Meet; shared student report cards, NWEA data, and intervention plans.
- f. Title I training for staff.
- g. Staff participating in leadership team meetings with GISD.
- h. **Student Performance Data:** monthly data review with staff in PLC and instructional analysis, NWEA, intervention tools, formative assessment, and other diagnostic data.
- i. Review of Fall assessment data; only 3rd and 6th grade are hitting growth targets.
- j. Several students that came from Eagle's Nest Learning Center were more kindergarten ready.
- k. 2nd graders are more social - concerned about them thriving.
- l. Motivation for increasing attendance - intrinsic motivation (gift cards for dinner/gas); especially for younger students; review of teacher lesson plans for inclusion of engaging activities.
- m. Concerns about the student learning environment (profanity, nudity, hitting).
- n. State ordinance allows K-8 schools to allow for face-to-face instruction; closure for high schools in Michigan.
- o. Discussions with staff about data, learning environment, and student safety; staff wants to consider it.
- p. Express the need for students to return to school on December 9, 2020.
- q. Comments from management about GVSU consideration and expectation for academic performance due to pandemic and water crisis.
- r. GVSU representative, D. Cooper confirmed that the educational goals outlined in the contract state that the district must perform at or above similarly situated schools. Many of the schools are making some changes to move to virtual but 82% of schools chartered by GVSU offer some form of in person instruction.
- s. Management suggests that consideration to give parents the option of in person learning.

#### 9. Action Items

- a. Deliver of Instruction
- b. Palmer > Motion to offer for in person learning
  - i. Cotton - Yes
  - ii. Palmer - Yes



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- iii. Osborn - Yes
- iv. Muldrew - Yes
- v. Leverette - No

Approved by Cotton, Muldrew, Osborne, Palmer for option for in person learning to Eagle's Nest Academy families.

#### **10. Public Comment on Action Items**

None made.

#### **11. Board Comment on Non-Agenda Items or Board Member Round table**

None made.

#### **12. Adjournment: 6:57pm**

#### **13. Next meeting date/time: Thursday, December 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

#### **Minutes Approved**

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