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SERVICE LEARNING ACADEMIES DISTRICT

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES (APPROVED)

I. Call to Order: President Orlando Woods called the meeting to order at **5:00p.m., in person and via Zoom Video Conferencing.**

II. Roll Call

Present: Orlando Woods, Airlene Gross, Jeanette Owens, Allen Richardson

Absent: Idowu Jegede, Douglas Bartell, James Dozier

III. Approval of April 15, 2025 Board Meeting Agenda.
Airlene Gross motioned to accept the Board Meeting Agenda as written. Allen Richardson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

IV. Approval of Proposed Board Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, March 18, 2025
Orlando Woods motioned to approve the board meeting minutes from March 18th, as written. Airlene Gross seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

V. Financials update – Janita Williams
Janita Williams reported on this month financial report. Airlene Gross to receive the financial report. Jeanette Owens second the motion. A public hearing is scheduled for June 20, at which time we also plan to adopt the 2025–2026 budget. Airlene Gross to receive the financial report. Orlando Woods second the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

VI. Management Report
Chief Executive Officer - Maurice Evans
Superintendents Update – De'Angelo Alexander
Mr. Alexander reported March was filled with engaging literacy activities, including Oak Park's partnership with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and a creative Wizard of Oz-themed event. Our boys' basketball team reached the Final Four, capping off a strong season both on the court and in the classroom. April brought the PSAT, a new quarter, and preparations for report cards and the upcoming K–8 honor roll assembly.

Human Resource Update – Kim Knight
Ms. Knight reported that this is the season for reviewing teacher observations with Dr. Walker and Mr. Alexander to guide staffing decisions for next year. The team is actively recruiting and finalizing evaluations to ensure the 2025–26 school year begins fully staffed and well-prepared.

Achievers Academy Update – Trienere McClellan
Ms. McClellan reported that there are currently close to 140 students with IEPs, with 2 undergoing evaluations and 10 holding 504 plans. All eligible students completed PSAT testing with accommodations, achieving 100% compliance.

Early childhood development – Delicia Allen
No report given

President of Marketing – Gregory Allen
Mr. Allen reported that the school has partnered with the United States Academic Esports League and Mastery Coding to launch a new esports and coding program. This initiative integrates video games with a structured curriculum, connecting in-game activities to classroom learning while also introducing students to career paths in technology and game development. The program includes staff training to ensure effective implementation and support.

Compliance and Achiever's Academy Update – Dr. Ebony Walker.
Dr. Walker expressed excitement about the school's progress, highlighting how strong leadership is driving effective teaching. During recent building visits, she observed standout student engagement and differentiation, especially in early grades. She noted that the school is moving beyond sustaining success and into a phase of growth, excellence, and deeper staff development.

VII. Comment by Authorizer – Melissa Weisberger
Ms. Weisberger reported that all members are required to complete two hours of training by July 30.

VIII. Board Matters
Ms. Owen extended her congratulations and expressed appreciation for a job well done on the SMP report.

IX. Public Comment
None

X. Adjournment
Orlando Woods motions to adjourn the meeting. Airlene Gross seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjourned at 5:46pm

Jeanette Owen — 5/21/25

Signed, Board Secretary — Date

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