

Augusta Academy
Board Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2021

Board Members Attending: Mr. Tony Ratti, Ms. Valerie Gilbert, Mr. Craig Smith/Portage, Dr. James Grubka and Ms. Marcea Schwartz

Board Members Absent: None

Non-Board Members Attending: Ms. Amanda Almy, Ms. Mindy Ryan, Ms. Theresa Brown and Mr. Bill Barker.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 6:17pm.

2. **NOMINATE TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON**

Mr. Ratti moved to nominate Ms. Ryan to serve as temporary chairperson. Ms. Gilbert seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

3. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Board Slate

President: Dr. James Grabka

Vice President: Mr. Craig Smith

Secretary: Ms. Valerie Gilbert

Treasurer: Ms. Marcea Schwartz

Director: Mr. Tony Ratti

Mr. Ratti moved to accept the slate of officers. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

4. **RECOMMENED RESOLUTIONS**

- a. Resolution designating person responsible for taking minutes, posting notices & locations of board meetings, sending approved minutes to authorizer, making pre-approved minutes available/posted within 8 days (**Business Office Staff**)
- b. Resolution designating depositories for various funds and authorized signature(s) for various funds and accounts (**Comerica, board officers, Dr. Grace Emley-FBR representative**)
- c. Resolution appointing legal counsel (**Varnum Riddering Schmidt & Howlee LLP, & Doug McNeil with Saunders Winter NcNeil PLLC**)
- d. Resolution appointing financial auditors (**Gabridge and Company**)
- e. Resolution designating spokesperson representing the board with the media (**Board Chair**)
- f. Resolution designating Sexual Harassment contact and Title VI, Title IX, Section 504 contact and FOIA Coordinator (**Dr. Norman Peterson**)

Mr. Smith moved to accept the resolutions a-f as stated above. Dr. Grubka seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Smith moved to approve the minutes from March 23, 2021, Invoice #AU69 and Comm Inv. #30121AU. Dr. Grubka seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

6. **APPROVAL OF "ECLP" RE-CERTIFICATION**

Ms. Gilbert moved to approve the "ECLP" Re-certification with no changes. Dr. Grubka seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0.

7. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE GVSU TECHNOLOGY GRANT**
Dr. Grubka moved to accept the GVSU Technology Grant. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 to 0. Mr. Barker explained the details of the grant and the board decided with discussion and input from the principal that they would split the money between the purchase of a projector and a big screen TV.
 8. **PRINCIPAL REPORT**
See the April 2021 Principal Report presented by Ms. Almy. Ms. Almy said that they have one student out being tested for COVID-19.
 9. **FBR REPORT**
Ms. Ryan said that they were working on grants and compliant board policies.
 10. **GVSU REPORT**
Mr. Barker presented the GVSU Report. He said that the board had met their grant obligations by attending the board trainings. He also spoke about the renewal and the webinar that will be presented May 18th.
 10. **OTHER BUSINESS**
The board spoke to their appreciation of the job Mr. Ratti had done over the years. Mr. Ratti said that it was an awesome experience. He also spoke about an encounter with a lady whose grandson attends Augusta Academy who couldn't speak highly enough about the school staff and about how far her grandson has advanced since coming to Augusta Academy. Ms. Almy said that it's all about word of mouth.
 11. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
None
 12. **ADJOURN**
Meeting adjourned 6:39 p.m.
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Board Member Approval: _____

Anthony J. Ratti