

**Lighthouse Academy Board of Directors**  
**Approved Special Meeting Minutes**

**Mission:** *A safe harbor that provides innovative whole-child education and ensures success despite life's storms.*

**Date:** September 26, 2023

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Place:** Lighthouse Academy – South Campus  
3330 36<sup>th</sup> St SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49512

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** *Peter VanGeldereren called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.*
  - A. **Board Members Present.** Peter VanGeldereren, Dr. Brenda King, Todd Penning and Aaron Toffoli.
  - B. **Board Members Absent (with prior notice).** Steven Bossenbroek II and Angela Bunn.
  - C. **Others Present.** Dr. Heidi Cate, Superintendent; Leslie Cummings, Executive Director Business Office; Lucas Yax, Assistant Superintendent of Juvenile Justice and Residential Programs; Stacey Martinez; Senior School Leader; Matt Milanowski, School Leader; Ronda Dyer, School Leader; Sherri Nash, School Leader; and Amanda Shyne, Recording Secretary.
- II. **Public Comment\* (limited to agenda items only).** *None.*
- III. **Approval of Agenda.** *A motion to approve the agenda was made by Aaron Toffoli and supported by Todd Penning. The motion passed unanimously.*
- IV. **Consent Calendar.** *None.*
- V. **Old Business.** *None.*
- VI. **New Business.**
  - A. **Mission, Vision and Values Review.** *The Board reviewed the current Mission, Vision and Value. Dr. Heidi Cate also gave an update on the FACT ACT and how it may affect Lighthouse Academy.*
  - B. **Strategic Plan Updates.**
    1. **Review progress on current goals.** *Dr. Heidi Cate reviewed the provided handout with the Board.*
    2. **Review any edited, deleted or new goals.** *Dr. Heidi Cate reviewed the provided handout with the Board.*
  - C. **Muskegon Community Building Space Discussion.** *Dr. Heidi Cate provided an update on the capacity of the Muskegon Community building space. The program anticipates an increase in enrollment after count day.*

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D. Harbor Program SWOT Analysis (Shea/Heidi present program and background). *Dr. Heidi Cate and Shea Williams reviewed the provided handout with the Board.*

E. ESSER Funds Update and Final Year Planning. *Leslie Cummings reviewed the provided handout with the Board.*

1. What we have done with ESSER thus far.
2. Our plans for remaining time.
3. Limitations to allowable uses.

**VII. Correspondence.** *None.*

**VIII. Extended Public Comment\* (limited to non-agenda items only).** *None.*

**IX. Reconfirmation of Next Regular Meeting Date**

September 26, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. (Immediately following the Special Strategic Planning Meeting)

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**X. Adjournment.** *A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Aaron Toffoli and supported by Todd Penning. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m.*

*Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under Items II and IX above are requested to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.*

*Complaints or concerns regarding Board members or school employees associated with the Academy shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the Board President at least five (5) days prior to the Board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner. (Source: Board Policy 0167.3)*

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Submitted by:



Amanda Shyne  
Recording Secretary

Date: 9/26/2023

Approved by:



Aaron Toffoli  
Board Secretary

Date: 10-24-23

