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Approved Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Regular Meeting**Date:** October 20, 2021 **Time:** 5:30 p.m. **Place:** Virtual Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order: President Aljahmi called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm. The board meeting is being held virtually due to the Wayne County Emergency Health Order allowing remote meetings under the Open Meetings Act until December 31, 2021.

2. Roll Call:

| Board Members | Position | Present | Absent |
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| Jamal Aljahmi | President(Virtually Dearborn, MI, Wayne Co) | X | |
| Abdulraquib Nagi Anakeeb | Vice President | | X |
| Fahmi Husain | Treasurer(Virtually Hamtramck, Wayne Co) | X | |
| Ahmad Tousis | Secretary(Virtually Oakland County, Troy, MI) | X | |
| Toyab Al-Bari | Member(Virtually Wayne Co, Detroit, MI) | X | |
| Aladdin Nahsahl | Member | | X |
| Vacant | Member | | |

Also Present: Jim Scholten, FSU; Mohand Jadallah, Raihan Akther, Ivette Skoieczny, School Leaders; Huda Davillier, Kevin Whelan, Mohamad Issa, Molly Davis, Deborah Reynolds,GEE, Dr. Luay Shalabi, Board Liaison.

3. Recite Academic Mission Statement- *“To promote lifelong learning by nurturing academic excellence, positive character and an appreciation of cultures.”*

4. Public Comment: None

5. Review of Agenda: The Academy Board of Directors reviewed the Agenda. A motion was made by Member Tousis to approve the agenda as presented. This motion was seconded by Member Al-Bari and carried without Opposition (4-0).

6. Consent Calendar: Presented for approval were the October 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda and the proposed minutes from the September 15, 2021, Regular Meeting. Member Tousis made a motion to approve the consent calendar as presented. This motion was seconded by Member Al-Bari and carried without opposition (4-0).

7. GEE Report: October professional development sessions were focused on interventions; Over 60 sessions were presented. Reading Specialists, EL (English Learner) and Special Education staff presented effective strategies on mindfulness, special ed, math, English, and other topics focused on intervention strategies.

The Annual GEE Board Retreat will be held on Saturday, December 4th in person at Central Academy from 10 am -12:45 pm.

8. Board Roles and Responsibilities: Board Reviewed

9. Treasurer Report:

- a. A motion to approve the ACH Check Registers was made by Member Tousis. This motion was seconded by Member Al-Bari and carried without opposition (4-0).
- b. A motion to approve the September monthly financials was made by Member Aljahmi. This motion was seconded by Member Al-Bari and carried without opposition (4-0).

10. Authorizer Report: Aladdin Nahsahl needs to send a picture to Sharon for the board. Fahmi Husain, Toyab Al-Bari and Aladdin Nahsahl need to complete and return Annual Conflict of Interest Forms to Sharon. The financial audit needs to be submitted by November 1 st. The 2018 reauthorization review reauthorized the contract until 2027. The board should continue to recruit a new board member. The Annual Report is posted on the web-site. October Board communication lists lots of professional development opportunities for the board. November Board communication has information for the CSO scholarship offered by FSU for graduating seniors.

11. Principal Report: Mr. Jadallah, Ms. Akther and Ms. Skonieczny gave principal reports to the board. The Academies continue to follow the preparedness and readiness plan. Daily temperature checks, etc. NWEA testing has been underway. MTSS data is being utilized to determine where support is needed. Enrollment is increasing for grades 9-12 blended learning.

12. Correspondence: None

13. Old Business:

- a. The board applicant will not be able to complete her application at this time due to health issues. The board will continue to recruit a new board member.
- b. A motion to approve the resolution to negotiate the purchase of the building located at 3105 Carpenter Rd., Detroit, MI 48212 was made by Member Husain. This motion was seconded by Member Aljahmi and carried without opposition (4-0).

14. New Business:

- a. A motion to approve the Emergency Operations Safety Manual was made by Member Husain. This motion was seconded by Member Aljahmi and carried without opposition (4-0).
- b. The board was asked to review the 2021-2022 Educational Goals and be prepared to approve or revise the goals during the December board meeting.
- c. ESSR and Grant funds and how the money can be allocated was discussed.

15. Board Development: October Board Communication from FSU lists many opportunities for board development sessions.

16. Extended Public Comment: None

17. Requested Items from the Board: None

18. Reconfirmation of the next Board meeting: The next scheduled board meeting will be held Wednesday, November 17, 2021 beginning at 5:30 pm. The meeting will be held virtually via zoom due to the Wayne County

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Emergency Health Order allowing remote meetings under the Open Meetings Act until December 31, 2021.

19. Adjournment: With no further business presenting before the board a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Aljahmi. This motion was seconded by Member Al-Bari and carried without opposition (4-0). The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Proposed Board Minutes respectfully submitted on
October 21, 2021 by:



Huda Davillier, Recording Secretary

Approved by the Board of Directors at its
November 17, 2021 Regular Meeting.



Ahmad Tousis, Board Secretary

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