

MINUTES of Akron Digital Academy

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Special Board of Directors Meeting

1) CALL TO ORDER:

A special meeting of the Akron Digital Academy (ADA) Board of Directors was called to order by Board President Gregg Manes at 12:13 pm on Monday, November 6, 2017.

Board Members in attendance:

Mrs. Linda Lanier – Vice President

Mr. Gregg Manes – President

Ms. Lynn Clark – Personnel Chair

Board Members absent:

Mr. Curtis Howard – Strategic Planning Committee

Present:

Mrs. Linda Daugherty, Executive Director

Mr. Pat Pare, Director of Charter school
Compliance (via phone)

Mrs. Katona West, Director of Operations

Mr. Alleyn Unversaw, Treasurer (via phone)

Ms. Teresa Brown-Sayles, Director of
Instruction

Mr. Scott Wilson, Fiscal Agent (via phone)

Mrs. Jessica Tiller, State Reporting Specialist

2) APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 17, 2017 MINUTES:

#/ Date	Voting Items (Approve / Reject / Table)	Voting
1 11/6	Minutes of the October 17, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Motion was made by Ms. Clark and seconded by Mrs. Lanier to accept the October 17, 2017 Regular Board Minutes as submitted. Motion Carried.	Y: 3 N: 0

3) DISCUSSION: Direction for ADA

Discussion with WCESC: There are no special reserves, just operational cash. Mr. Unversaw stated that our Forecast has to assume clawback for FY16 & FY17. We do not have a payment schedule for FY16 yet, but we have to assume the worst until we have more information. The clawback has started with FY17 at \$31,000 per month. We have a 2 year payment schedule for FY17. Mrs. Daugherty has made an appeal to pay back FY16 in 6 years instead of 5. She has reached out to ODE with the appeal and has yet to receive an answer.

4) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 12:17 pm Ms. Clark moved to adjourn into executive session to consider the dismissal of a public employee or official. Ms. Lanier seconded the motion. Roll Call:

- Mr. Manes – Yes
- Ms. Lanier – Yes
- Ms. Clark – Yes
- Mr. Howard – Absent

Mrs. Daugherty, Mrs. West, and Ms. Sayles were invited into the executive session as well.

The Board adjourned back to the general meeting at 12:45 pm.

5) DISCUSSION CONTINUED: Direction for ADA

Mrs. Daugherty : Other options for improving fiscal outlook.

- Marketing
 - ADA administration visiting different schools districts
 - Reaching out to residential agencies – Commquest, Shelter Care
 - Students from previously closed Eschool. Waiting for names from Atty. Albin Bauer
 - Mobile Enrollment Drive set up and some TBA
 - Building Signage – 2 new banners identifying ADA
 - Back to school newspaper adds
 - Increase FTE
 - Blended Designation
 - WCESC refusal to change designation
 - Working with ODE to change
 - Work Study program. 38 working students
 - Collecting data until ODE announces guidelines
 - Researching an easier and more accurate method of capturing attendance
 - Maestro – too expensive and would mean complete overhaul of ADA’s current electronic management of student information
 - Currently researching Software Answers
 - Connected with our current provider, Neonet.
 - Sponsor/Fiscal Agent payback for 2015-16 and 2016-17
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6) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

November 6-9, 2017	Spirit week
November 21, 2017	5 pm Regular Board Meeting

7) ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 pm.



Gregg Manes, ADA Board President



Date of approval