



MERRITT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mission Statement

“The mission of Merritt Academy is to instill in its students academic excellence, character development, a love for life long learning and service to others.”

Approved Minutes

REGULAR MEETING – September 26, 2024

8:00 a.m.

Merritt Academy

59900 Havenridge

New Haven, Michigan 48048

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Dery at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call

K. Clarkson- present
J. Dery-Present
C. Zettle-present
K. Bochatyn-present
M. Broyles- present

Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Member Broyles, seconded by Member Bochatyn to approve the agenda

YES – 5 NO – 0
Motion carried.

Call to the Public

None

Consent Items

Motion by Member Bochatyn, seconded by Member Zettle to approve the August, 2024 minutes with changes

YES – 5 NO – 0
Motion carried.

Motion by Member Broyles, seconded by Member Zettle to approve the Board's Treasurer's report from August 2024

YES – 5 NO – 0
Motion Carried.

ESP/Principal Report

Troy- update on school safety zone- waiting to get information from MSP; budget meeting next week at TRG to do amendment; village confirmed they received site plans for new subdivision; getting updated alarm system in the next week.

Nate- handed out to board a monthly report with enrollment and events; discussed drop in enrollment and findings from exit interviews (people moved, sports we can't offer, go to local neighborhood school to make friends in neighborhood, transportation); also discussed plan for next summer to call all families to be more aware of change; SVSU EPR visit is October

Dan- first state aid payment in October; chromebooks purchased; flashing for roof on back order; 31aa (safety) grant will be more than expected; TRG had a ransom ware attempt but no data takes from database; looking at additional security procedures and changes; discussed zero eyes (related to public comment0 and is going to bring literature next meeting

Officer Hoffman- going to middle school and high school classes addressing social media issues (being aware of dangers and what is appropriate behavior)- will be doing age-appropriate talks to elementary; lights at fire exits have been fixed

Board Correspondence

None

Discussion Items

None

Action Items

None

Board Committee Reports/Board Individual Comments

- website- update pictures, add history of founding of school (discussed OCR compliance issues)
- National Charter School Institute- email out log ins
- board trainings make sure you are going
- job openings not posted on TRG site
- can we look into cost of flashing light on road (school

zone)
Silent alarms- explained school app teachers have

Call to the Public

School safety- requiring clear backpacks and metal detectors

**Announcement/
Upcoming Events**

The next Regular Board of Director's meeting will be held on October 24, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. at Merritt Academy.

Adjournment

Motion by Member Bochatyn, seconded by Member Zettle to adjourn the meeting.

YES – 5 NO – 0

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

The above minutes were duly adopted by the Merritt Academy Board of Directors at a properly noticed open meeting held on October 24, 2024 at which a quorum was present.

Approved: October 24, 2024



Submitted by _____, Board Secretary

These meetings of the Board of Directors are in public for the purpose of conducting the school's business and are not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during each meeting as indicated in the agenda. Upon request to the academy office, the academy shall make reasonable accommodations for a person with a disability to be able to participate in this meeting.