

**Fairborn Digital Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
June 17, 2024
57 East Dayton-Yellow Springs 8:30 AM**

Our Mission:

Fairborn Digital Academy is a school-of-choice providing student-centered and personalized educational experiences resulting in a culture of academic excellence for at-risk students.

Call to order 8:39 a.m.

Board members present: Nancy Sturtz, President; Paul Newman, Sr., Vice-President; Thomas Baugh; Jane Doorley.

Non-officios present: Erik Tritsch, Executive Director; Courtney Patrick, Vice-Principal; Dave Stevens, Treasurer.

Ex-officios present: Kim Sherwood.

Sponsor Representative: Kelly Brown.

I. Public Comment

II. Approval of minutes of May 20, 2024, meeting

Further, that such minutes be approved.

Moved: Jane Doorley; Seconded: Thomas Baugh. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's report and approval

Further, that the treasurer's report be approved.

Moved: Paul Newman, Sr.; Seconded: Thomas Baugh. Motion carried.

IV. Executive Director's report

Charter School Specialists

OAR report.

Send in lease report by June 26th.

In-compliance items due by June 26th.

SOITA (Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association) Membership

Zoom License

Insurance

Wellness Plans

For student and parent mental and physical health.

Will administer social/emotional screening for students and parents.

It is a multi-tiered system of supports: Coaches are the front line.

Guidance counselors are next to be consulted. They can refer to therapists as needed.

V. Business

1. Approve graduation of Mary Campbell, Tahir Chombo, Terrence Gay, Braylen Gearheart, Erika Hamilton, Alexander Hicks, Christian Matherson, Cheyanne McConnaughey, JaeAnna McKenzie, Sophie Morris, Violet Reed, Jaimeeyona Stevens, Natalia Treon, Abigail Ward, Gavin Ward, Aaron Weaver, and Colton Weber, having met all State and FDA requirements.

Moved: Thomas Baugh; Seconded: Jane Doorley. Motion carried.

2. Approve verification of enrollment

Moved: Jane Doorley; Seconded: Paul Newman, Sr. Motion carried.

3. Approve SOITA Advantage Membership for \$128.00 for FY25.

Moved: Thomas Baugh; Seconded: Paul Newman, Sr. Motion carried.

4. Approve Zoom License renewal through MVECA for 20 licenses totaling \$160.00 for FY25.

Moved: Jane Doorley; Seconded: Thomas Baugh. Motion carried.

5. Ratify Insurance agreement with Wallace and Turner for insurance through Cincinnati Insurance Company for \$4,059.00 for FY25.

Moved: Paul Newman, Sr.; Seconded: Jane Doorley. Motion carried.

6. Approve Wellness Plan for FY24.

Moved: Thomas Baugh; Seconded: Paul Newman, Sr. Motion carried.

7. Approve Wellness Plan for FY25.

Moved: Jane Doorley; Seconded: Thomas Baugh. Motion carried.

VI. Good of the Order

Erik Tritsch - The Rise-up and Sigma programs have helped to graduate some students that otherwise would not be able to do that.

Paul Newman, Sr. - What if the students come into the tune of Pomp and Circumstance.

Erik Tritsch - Our graduation is more relaxed. We want to be different, not the same. We are not so "Pomp and Circumstance".

Jane Doorley - Marching into Pomp and Circumstance would honor the graduates. They would feel, "I really did it!" Hearing this tune catches your attention and makes you sit up taller.

Courtney Patrick - I think the students really like the robes. I can see both sides. The mama bear in me wants to do whatever makes the students comfortable. I also feel that the graduates need to be introduced to real life. Sometimes we may need to kick kids out of their comfort zone. This graduation is a big thing!

Kim Sherwood - The students really do like the robes. I think Pomp and Circumstance would be fine, but I was not here at the inception of this program, so I may not understand the importance of being different.

Erik Tritsch - This is our tradition.

Paul Newman, Sr. - What's wrong with change? This is their first graduation, they don't know any different.

Erik Tritsch - Are we the same? Are we special?

Jane Doorley - All high schools do things a little bit differently. Let's think about it for next time. Is this dead in the water?

The psycho/social wellness plans are a great addition!

Kim Sherwood - Apologies for being late. Would you consider changing the time for Board Meeting to 9:00 a.m. during the summer?

Erik Tritsch - We probably should leave things as they are. We may need to change times again to accommodate Amy Brooks.

VII. Adjournment

Moved: Paul Newman, Sr.; Seconded: Thomas Baugh. Motion carried.

**Next Directors Meeting July 22, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.
Graduation June 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**

Date Approved: _____

Nancy Sturtz, President _____

David Stevens, Treasurer _____