



March 23, 2016

The Lorain Digital Academy, Lorain City, Lorain County, Ohio, met in regular session on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 10:32 am at the Lorain Digital Academy at General Johnnie Wilson, 2700 Washington Ave., Lorain, Ohio, with the following members present:

David Arredondo
Amber Knowles
Jean Wrice

16-LDA-396 AMEND/APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES

MOTION was made by Mr. Arredondo and seconded by Ms. Wrice to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting held February 18, 2016.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Ms. Wrice, Mrs. Knowles
Motion carried.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TREASURER

16-LDA-397

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JANUARY 2016

It was recommended to approve the February 2016 Financial Reports.

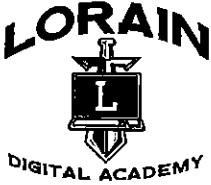
Student FTE was 127.53 for February 2016 which translates into less revenue from the state of Ohio than last fiscal year.

Projected revenues minus expenses minus encumbrances are still expected to be close to zero by June 30.

That is not a bad thing, as it could mean that the revenues are being used properly. The beginning cash balance at the beginning of the fiscal year was \$346,172. The Ending Cash Balance at February 29, 2016 is \$429,367.

MOTION was made by Ms. Wrice and seconded by Mrs. Knowles to approve the Financial Report for February 2016.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Mrs. Knowles, Ms. Wrice,
Motion carried.



OLD BUSINESS

16-LDA-398

It was recommended to accept the letter of resignation of Mr. Jack Yaneris from the Lorain K12 Digital Academy Board of Directors.

Mr. Arredondo accepted Mr. Yaneris' resignation with regret and stated what a pleasure it was to have Mr. Yaneris on the Board and commended his years of service to Lorain County students.

MOTION was made by Mr. Arredondo and seconded by Mrs. Knowles to accept Mr. Yaneris' resignation.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Mrs. Knowles, Ms. Wrice,

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

16-LDA-399

Discussion regarding House Bill 2 (HB2) and its effect on LCS sponsorship and LDA compliance.
(attachment)

Mr. Weber reminded all of his upcoming retirement (6.30.16) and his consideration of becoming LDA's treasurer for FY 16.17.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RECOMMENDATIONS

16-LDA-400

It was recommended to approve the renewal contract with Ohio School Boards Association. OSBA provides updated policy guidelines and/or samples for our ongoing policy updates.

MOTION was made by Mr. Arredondo and seconded by Mrs. Knowles to renew the OSBA contract.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Mrs. Knowles, Ms. Wrice,

Motion carried.



16-LDA-401

It was recommended to approve a student transportation contract with First Student Inc. Providing transportation with a 'loop' bus allows LDA's far west/south and east side students an opportunity to attend tutor appointments and/or computer lab.

This is a title expenditure.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Knowles and seconded by Mr. Arredondo to approve a contract with First Student Inc.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Mrs. Knowles, Ms. Wrice,

Motion carried.

REPORT

- Current enrollment- due to mandatory withdrawals that have occurred, it has lowered our enrollment numbers which will in turn impact our 16.17 budget
Graduates are currently at 15, with 3 in the wings. P. Bigio is the senior advisor
- ODE School Improvement District Review: Occurred on .29.16 LDA's BLT was interviewed as were two parents and select staff members. Exit interview has the question "What does a digital do?"
- Auditor's Report- There was a consensus by Ms. Mahan and Mr. D. Weber that an Exit survey was not necessary.
- FTE Review: Occurred 3.22.16 with Dr. Viktor. Dr. Viktor appraised our attendance data and cum folders. His question at exit was "How to measure student participation in an e-school?"
- Board Member Recommendation- Ms. Mahan brought before the BOD the name of Ted Raponi.
Dr. Raponi is a retired school psychologist and would be a good fit for LDA.
Mr. Arredondo brought before the Board Dr. Raponi's history and suggested a vote to be taken at this time on Dr. Raponi joining the LDA BOD.

16-LDA-402

MOTION was made by Ms. Wrice and seconded by Mr. Arredondo to accept Dr. T. Raponi, Ph.D. as a member of the Lorain K12 Digital Academy Board of Directors.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Mrs. Knowles, Ms. Wrice,

Motion carried.

Ms. Mahan will draft a letter to Dr. Graham, LCS Superintendent regarding LDA's BOD wishes.



ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

16-LDA-403

The next Lorain K12 Digital Academy Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 1:30. Mr. Weber suggested a site change for FY 16.17, perhaps at the LCS administration building.

16-LDA-404

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Motion was made Mr. Arredondo and seconded by Mrs. Knowles to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 am.

Ayes: Mr. Arredondo, Mrs. Knowles, Ms. Wrice,
Motion carried.

APPROVED:

President

Dorothy J. Anderson

Date:

4-14-16

Treasurer

DALE T. WEBER