

## The Lawson Academy

April 27, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

### William A. Lawson Institute for Peace and Prosperity

#### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chavon Carr  
Eric Goodie  
Mary Ramos  
Champ Warren

#### STAFF/GUESTS

Cheryl Lawson, Executive Director  
Dr. Marthea Raney, Principal  
Dr. Delic Loyde, Consultant  
Mr. Mosab Imam, Business Manager

#### BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Terence Frederick  
Bryce Kennard  
Yolanda Smith

### The Lawson Academy Agenda

- 1. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Mary Ramos at 9:32 a.m.
- 2. Establishment of Quorum.** Quorum was established at 9:33 a.m.
- 3. Opening Prayer.** Cheryl Lawson led a prayer.
- 4. Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
- 5. Academy Vision (9:33 a.m.).** Dr. Marthea Raney read the Academy Vision.
- 6. Approval of Minutes (9:34 a.m. – 9:34 a.m.).** Champ Warren moved the approval of the March 23, 2024 Academy and Board of Directors minutes. Eric Goodie seconded the motion. The motion was approved by C. Carr, E. Goodie, M. Ramos and C. Warren.
- 7. Academy Report (9:35 – 10:05 a.m.).** Principal Raney explained the student statistical data. Ms. Anella Coleman presented slides on the Living Museum and discussed the planning for PBL (project-based learning) instruction next year. The Urban League suggested they would be happy to work with The Lawson Academy for legacy projects.
- 9. Lone Star Governance (10:05 – 10:06 a.m.).** Dr. Loyde indicated that this is a “great board” and has done awesome work.
- 10. Superintendent’s Report (10:07 – 10:33 a.m.).** Superintendent Lawson reported that the National School Lunch Program audit was completed with only one (1) finding. The Texas School Chaplains Act Resolution was presented. Champ Warren moved approval of the Resolution. Eric Goodie seconded the motion. The motion was approved by C. Carr, E. Goodie, M. Ramos and C. Warren. The Communities in Schools contract for FY25 was presented, providing an on-site CIS counselor/wrap-around-specialist for the first time. Eric Goodie moved approval of the CIS Contract. Champ Warren seconded the motion. The motion was approved by C. Carr, E. Goodie, M. Ramos and C. Warren. The Texas A&M University Teacher Education Residency Model (TERM) program to provide teachers with an advanced degree in education and support for teacher certification. Champ Warren moved approval of the Texas A&M University TERM Contract. Eric Goodie seconded the motion. The motion was approved by C. Carr, E.

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Goodie, M. Ramos and C. Warren. A brief discussion on recruitment with limited information from the partner organization. The Lawson Academy is a part of a Replicate/Expand Cohort to grow the school. More information will be forthcoming. The April newsletter was reviewed.

**11. Executive Session.** There was no Executive Session.

**12. Adjourn Meeting.** Champ Warren moved adjournment. Eric Goodie seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m.