

The Lawson Academy

October 22, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

William A. Lawson Institute for Peace and Prosperity

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Terence Frederick
Eric Goodie
Immy Papadopoulos
Mary Ramos
Yolanda Smith

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Chavon Carr
Bryce Kennard
Catherine Mosbacher
Champ Warren

STAFF/GUESTS

Cheryl Lawson, Executive Director
Sheila Profit, Business Manager
Dr. Delic Loyde

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- 1. Call to Order.** The Zoom 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. – 9:33 a.m.).** Dr. Marthea Raney read the Vision to the Board.
- 6. Approval of Minutes (9:34 – 9:34 a.m.).** Yolanda Smith Mosbacher moved the approval of the September 24, 2022 Academy and Board of Directors minutes. Terence Frederick seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Frederick, E. Goodie, M. Ramos and Y. Smith. I. Papadopoulos abstained.
- 7. Governance Committee (9:35 – 9:35 a.m.).** There will be a report in the WALIPP meeting.
- 8. Academy Report (9:36 – 10:23 a.m.).** Principal Marthea Raney presented information on the student demographics and attendance. It was requested that we add diversity information to our statistics. Dr. Raney presented a slide show on the Targeted Improvement Plan. The plan had been previously emailed to all Board members for approval. Eric Goodie asked about the at-risk students in tutoring and suggested food as an incentive for parent participation, since the Urban League has found it gets not only bigger turnouts but consistency, as well. Eric Goodie moved the approval of the Targeted Improvement Plan. Terence Frederick seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Frederick, E. Goodie, Mr. Ramos, I. Papadopoulos and Y. Smith. The October newsletter was reviewed.
- 9. Lone Star Governance (10:23 – 10:25 a.m.).** Dr. Delic Loyde discussed good work of the Board in maintain their focus on the Lone Star Governance model. There will be a schedule of dates for consideration to host this 2-day session sent to Board members.

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10. Superintendent's Report (10:25 – 10:26 a.m.). The award from the Port of Houston was presented. The Annual Financial Report Finding and Corrective Action was discussed.

11. Executive Session. Imogen Papadopoulos moved the opening of an Executive Session. Eric seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Frederick, E. Goodie, Mr. Ramos, I. Papadopoulos and Y. Smith. The board went into Executive Session at 10:26 a.m. The board returned from Executive Session at 10:50 a.m. Terence Frederick made a motion to approve the decisions made in the Executive Session. Yolanda Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Frederick, E. Goodie, Mr. Ramos, I. Papadopoulos and Y. Smith.

12. Adjourn Meeting. Yolanda Smith moved adjournment at 10:52 a.m. Eric Goodie seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.