

William A. Lawson Institute for Peace and Prosperity

September 22, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Toya Roberts Conston
Terence Frederick
Catherine Mosbacher
Imogen Papadopoulos
Morris Smith
Yolanda Smith
Kimberly Wilkinson
Gerald Womack

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Hether Benjamin Brown
Mary Ramos

STAFF/GUESTS

Cheryl Lawson, Executive Director
Dr. Marthea Raney, Principal
Annette Simmons, Business Manager
Sherrill Burge, TEA Monitor
Shelley Goodwin, Academy Teacher

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- 1. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Toya Conston at 9:40 a.m.
- 2. Establishment of Quorum.** The quorum was established at 9:40 a.m.
- 3. Opening Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance.** Terence Frederick prayed.
- 4. Public Comment.** There was no public comment.
- 5. Approval of Minutes from August 4, 2018.** Catherine Mosbacher moved the approval of minutes from August 4, 2018. Imogen Papadopoulos seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Conston, T. Frederick, C. Mosbacher, I. Papadopoulos, M. Smith, Y. Smith, K. Wilkinson and G. Womack.

Kimberly Wilkinson moved that the meeting agenda be changed to bring The Lawson Academy Agenda to precede the WALIPP Agenda. Yolanda Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Conston, T. Frederick, C. Mosbacher, I. Papadopoulos, M. Smith, Y. Smith, K. Wilkinson and G. Womack.

The Lawson Academy Agenda

A. Academy Report. Academy teacher Shelley Goodwin presented using a slide presentation on the use of Edgenuity for Math Intervention in the Foundation classroom (boys' campus). Slides indicating student grade levels at the beginning of the year were discussed. Ms. Goodwin described the positive impact of the technology in her classroom to enhance student learning. Toya Conston has requested the collection of data at the end of the school year to demonstrate the improvement since the beginning of the year.

Director's report from the Academy was discussed. Upcoming Open House (September 27) will include book giveaway from Reading Lists for Grades 6, 7 and 8. Gerald Womack volunteered to reimburse the cost of giveaway books.

FY19 District Improvement Plan was reviewed. Terence Frederick moved the approval of the FY19 District Improvement Plan. Yolanda Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T.

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Memorandum of Understanding for Delic Loyde was presented. Proposal from Texas STEM Coalition (cf University of Texas – Tyler alliance) was discussed. Cheryl Lawson will report on the schedule of work to be conducted by the Texas STEM Coalition and the deliverables expected to benefit The Lawson Academy. Gerald Womack moved that Cheryl Lawson be given authority to contract with Delic Loyde and the Texas STEM Coalition when the vendors have provided a schedule of time to be spent on campus and summary of work to be performed. Yolanda seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Conston, T. Frederick, C. Mosbacher, I. Papadopoulos, M. Smith, Y. Smith, K. Wilkinson and G. Womack.

B. Recruiting. TEA authorized the changed lottery date approved by the Board. Invitation to Open House on September 27.

C. Facility Report. Final settlement was discussed. Cheryl Lawson was told to find a lawyer to recommend for service.

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6. Governance and Nominating Committee Report. There was no report.

7. Finance and Audit Committee Report. Annette Simmons reported on the July and August financial reports. Imogen Papadopoulos moved the transfer for \$20,000 to the Replacement Reserve account for the WALIPP Senior Residence. Yolanda Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Conston, T. Frederick, C. Mosbacher, I. Papadopoulos, M. Smith, Y. Smith, K. Wilkinson and G. Womack. Yolanda Smith moved that the monies raised for The Lawson Academy and the expenses associated with the CIP Loan or Academy expense be transferred to the Lawson Academy Real Estate Co. Kimberly Wilkinson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Conston, T. Frederick, C. Mosbacher, I. Papadopoulos, M. Smith, Y. Smith, K. Wilkinson and G. Womack.

8. Executive Director's Report. Executive Director Cheryl Lawson presented an update on fund raising.

D. Executive Session. There was no Executive Session.

E. Adjournment. Gerald Womack moved adjournment at 12:05 p.m. Yolanda Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved by T. Conston, T. Frederick, C. Mosbacher, I. Papadopoulos, M. Smith, Y. Smith, K. Wilkinson and G. Womack.