

Towpath Trail High School
Board Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2018

Board Members in Attendance

Ron McDaniel - President
Angela Robinson
Jessica Hricovec
Matthew Devlin
Kathi Brand

Guests in Attendance

Jason McMillin - Fiscal Officer
Christina Fraser - Director
John Stack – Cambridge
Karen Wachter - Cambridge
Susan Scarponi- CSS
April Hart – Legal Counsel
Kelly Spring - Legal Assistant

The Towpath Trail High School Board Director’s Meeting began at 4:17pm with introductions and updates.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Agenda: The Board President discussed the Agenda as presented to Board Members.

A Motion was made by Jessica Hricovec and a second by Angela Robinson respectively to adopt the agenda with noted changes and the ability to amend throughout the meeting as applicable.

18-14 RESOLVED: The Board of Directors adopts and approves the meeting agenda with noted changes and the ability to amend as needed.

Meeting Minutes:

February Meeting Minutes:

A Motion and Second to accept the February Meeting Minutes as presented was made by Jessica Hricovec and Matt Devlin respectively.

18-15 RESOLVED: The Board of Directors approved the February Meeting Minutes as presented.

Legal Update:

Ms. Hart discussed the legal update. The Sponsor Contract and compliance documents have been submitted and uploaded in dropbox. Ms. Hart provided dates for board trainings the board members may attend this month.

Sponsor Report:

Ms. Scarponi discussed the Sponsor Report. The staff at the satellite was discussed. Ms. Fraser and Ms. Wachter discussed hiring new staff.

State of the School Report:

Ms. Fraser presented the State of the School. Enrollment is at 419. Students are taking the OGT. The ACT has been provided to students. There will be a college visit at the end of the month to Stark State and the University of Akron.

Financial Report:

Mr. McMillian presented the February Financials. The process to develop the operating budget and 5-year forecast will begin in the next few months.

There was a Motion and a Second by Jessica Hricovec and Angela Robinson respectively to approve the February financials as presented, subject to audit.

18-16 RESOLVED: The Board of Directors for Towpath Trail High School approves the February financials as presented, subject to audit.

Management Report

Mr. Stack discussed the planning of the satellite buildout. The State is recommending changing requirements for DOP school report cards. They are increasing requirements for the number of graduating students. Mr. Stack explained the issues with the classification of DOP schools. Cambridge and CSS are requesting the state understand the difference in the classifications of DOP schools.

Ms. Watcher discussed the Management Report. She discussed the career tech programs, which include manufacturing, construction, healthcare, IT and child development. A culinary program has been added at Towpath.

New Business:

MOU – University of Akron

There was a Motion and a Second by Jessica Hricovec and Angela Robinson respectively to approve the MOU between the University of Akron and Towpath for College Credit Plus at a rate of \$41.64 per credit hour.

18-17 RESOLVED: The Board of Directors for Towpath Trail High School approves the MOU between the University of Akron and Towpath for College Credit Plus at a rate of \$41.64 per credit hour.

Management Renewal Agreement

Mr. Stack discussed the Management Agreement with the Board, which will be made with the new business entity, Oakmont Education.

There was a Motion and a Second by Jessica Hricovec and Angela Robinson respectively to approve to enter into negotiations with Oakmont Education to finalize Management Agreement terms including the following: a three year agreement at a rate of 16% with a 1% incentive and further providing the board president authority to sign agreement with the approval of legal counsel.

18-18 RESOLVED: The Board of Directors for Towpath Trail High School approves entering into negotiations with Oakmont Education to finalize Management Agreement terms including the following: a three year agreement at a rate of 16% with a 1% incentive and further providing the board president authority to sign agreement with the approval of legal counsel.

Charter School Conference

There was a Motion and a Second by Angela Robinson and Jessica Hricovec respectively to approve travel for board members to attend the Charter School Conference in Austin, Texas June 17, 2018 – June 20, 2018.

18-19 RESOLVED: The Board of Directors for Towpath Trail High School approves travel for board members to attend the Charter School Conference in Austin, Texas June 17, 2018 – June 20, 2018.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday April 11, 2018 at 4:15pm at Towpath High School, 275 West Market Street, Akron, Ohio 44303

Motion to Adjourn: There was a motion by Angela Robinson and seconded by Jessica Hricovec to adjourn the meeting at 4:58pm.

Board Secretary

Towpath Trail High School
