

**Meeting of the Board of Directors of
Southwest Detroit Community School**
4001 29th Street
Detroit, Michigan 48210

**Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2016**

I. Call to Order (by Ryan Young, Board President) and Roll Call

The meeting began at 5:48 p.m.

Present: George Bradford, Elizabeth Santos, Ryan Young

Absent: Cindy Gamboa

Others in attendance: Christian Anderson, Don Cooper, Melissa Day, Kelly Davis, Frank Donner, Heather Gardner, JD Smith

II. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Elizabeth Santos

Seconded by: George Bradford

Approved by: All Approved

III. Public Comments (limited to agenda items)

There were no public comments.

IV. Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes

The board approved the meeting minutes from the meetings held on June 9th, June 21st and June 28th.

Moved by: Elizabeth Santos

Seconded by: George Bradford

Approved by: All Approved

V. Discussion Items

Heather Gardner introduced her team gave an overview of the format of this section of the agenda going forward.

Student Achievement – Frank Donner gave the board an update on enrollment, staffing and the summer school program.

Finance – Melissa Day and Kelly Davis gave an update on the current state of the school's finances and their process of reconciliation through the school transition.

Operations – Heather Gardner provided an update on building and landscaping improvements that are taking place.

Community – Heather Gardner discussed with the board possible ways that they can communicate with the school stakeholders.

Other- Heather Gardner solicited ideas from the board for items to be included in a school scorecard. Frank Donner and Heather Gardner discussed the letter regarding academic performance that the school received from GVSU. Don Cooper from the National Charter Schools Institute gave a presentation on the NCSI Board Policy Program. The board made a motion for engagement.

Motion to Engage in Policy Development through the NCSI Board Policy Program

Moved by: Ryan Young

Seconded by: Elizabeth Santos

Approved by: All Approved

VI. Consent Items

- a. **Motion to Approve the Student Handbook subject to verification from the NCSI on language involving personal searches.**

Moved by: Elizabeth Santos

Seconded by: George Bradford

Approved by: All Approved

- b. **Motion to Approve the proposed Anti-Bullying Policy**

Moved by: Elizabeth Santos

Seconded by: George Bradford

Approved by: All Approved

VII. Authorizer's Comments

Dr. Smith discussed board training for expulsion hearings, school branding for marketing, the need for a 5th board member, school chess programs, the importance of finance committees and the student achievement test results from previous school years.

VIII. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting: August 24, 2016

IX. Board Comment and Discussion (Related to Non-Agenda Items)

- a. None

X. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Moved by: Elizabeth Santos

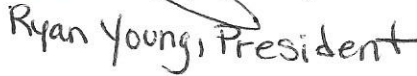
Seconded by: George Bradford

Approved by: All Approved

Meeting concluded at: 8:00 p.m.

The above minutes were duly adopted on 8/24/2016 by the Southwest Detroit Community School's Board of Directors at a properly noticed open meeting held at which a quorum was present.


Submitted by Elizabeth Santos, Secretary


Ryan Young, President