

Wayman Academy of the Arts
Board Meeting
Monday, October 28, 2024
6:30 pm

Members present:

Mark Griffin – Chairman
Tiffany Frazier Jones
Terrence Harvey
Sam Newby
Carolyn Wilson
Anthony Ammons

Staff present:

Martin Carter, Assistant Principal

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mark Griffin.
- II. Establishment of Quorum:** Quorum was established with 6 members present.
- III. Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Anthony Ammons and seconded by Tiffany Jones. Motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Public Comments:** No public was available for comment.
- V. Principal's Report:** Principal Almon was unable to attend the board meeting due to a family emergency. In her absence, Assistant Principal Carter gave a school update. He reviewed the academic performance of the students for the 2023-2024 school year, showing the increases made from PM-1 to PM-2 to PM-3. He stated that at the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year, 89% of students were below grade level in math, and 86% were below grade level in reading. By the end of the year only 31% were below grade level in math and 46% below grade level in reading. Due to a late change in the state's scoring process, we were six points shy of getting out of the "F" category. Similar to last year, the PM-1 results show a substantial number of our students below grade level (86% in reading, 97% in math). However, for this year, all teachers in grades 3-5 are certified. In addition, the leadership team is meeting with each teacher two times per week, in comparison to only one time per week last year. Also, the lesson plans have been adjusted to provide more small group and individualized instructions. The Team-Up after school academic time has been increased from one hour to an hour and a half. These and other changes will ensure that we meet our academic goals for this school year.
- VI. Annual Audit:** The board reviewed the annual independent audit report for the year ended June 30, 2024. A motion to approve was made by Sam Newby, which was seconded by Carolyn Wilson. The motion was approved unanimously.

- VII. Annual Budget:** The board reviewed the 2024-2025 operating budget. After review, a motion to approve was made by Anthony Ammons. The motion was seconded by Tiffany Jones. The motion was approved unanimously.
- VIII. Future Meeting Schedule:** Future meeting will be published in the near future. All board members are encouraged to let administration know if any dates do not fit their schedule.
- IX. Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn by Carolyn Wilson and seconded by Anthony Ammons. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.