



Mason County Promise Zone Authority Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Monday February 14, 2022: 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Location: Lakeshore Resource Network Conference Room, E. Tinkham, Ludington, MI

Members Present:

Fabian Knizacky, Annette Quillan, Monica Schuyler, Amy Pepper, Dena Thurston, Andrea Large, Kathy Surd, Joan Vidak, Roger Nash

Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Kelly Parker, Jody Maloney

Call to Order

Schuyler called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

1. Limited Public Comment: None present

2. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Motion by Large to approve the agenda with handout provided by ~~Quillan~~ Quillan with support by Nash. Motion carried 8-0-1; Knizacky stepped out of the room.

3. Approval of Minutes from 2-7-22

- a. Motion by Knizacky to approve minutes with amendments* from 2-7-2022 supported by Thurston; Motion carried 9-0-0. *Under Treasurer report C, i, 1, -"Motion by Vidak to **automatically** approve ~~automatic appeals automatically approving~~ invoices that fit within the approved annual budget for payment upon receipt, supported by Large; Motion carried 7-1-1. Quillan objected." Maloney will set up a meeting for this topic.

4. Treasurer's Report

- a. **Balance Report: 2021 Year-end & January 2022: \$1642,396.90**

- i. Invoices:

- 1. Lucky Lizards: \$30.98-Name Badges

- ii. Community Foundation Report

- iii. Approval of Invoices and Treasurer's Report

- 1. Motion by Nash to approve the invoices & Treasurer's Report, supported by Pepper; Motion carried 9-0-0. Motion carried.

5. Director's Report

- a. Surd made a motion to send the topic of the Promise Director role vs. Mason CAN role to the Executive Committee for consideration of changing the Promise percentage; support from Large. Motion carried. 9-0-0
- b. Approval of Director Report: Maloney noted that the legislative appointment is on hold due to her error in requesting the appointment from the House, when it needed to come from the Senate. Maloney will keep the board informed on the re-appointment process.
 - i. Motion by Nash to approve the Director's Report with support by Knizacky; Motion carried 9-0-0.

6. New Business

- a. Committee Reports:

- i. Appeals Committee: Next Meeting: 6-6-22 @11AM

- ii. Student Success Committee: Met: 1-24-22@10AM; Next Meeting: 2-28-22@10AM
 - 1. The SSC heard a presentation from WSCC staff member Cara Mitchell and Dr. Wendy Wells about the week-long “College for Kids” event, and will consider whether to recommend a request to help support the event at the February meeting.
 - 2. No recommendation on orientation/FYS: The committee discussed keeping in-person orientation as a “requirement,” and changing the language around First Year Seminar to an expectation and bringing it back to the committee for feedback.
 - 3. The committee has placed consideration for student support related to 2.0 requirement removal on to the Through College workgroup for February, with the intent to bring it back to the full board as a recommendation for the March 2022 meeting.
- iii. Community Engagement Committee: Met 1-12-22@4PM; Next Meeting: 2-23-22@3PM
 - 1. CEC members requested a presentation from WSCC on developing new programs, which Mark Kinney and Darby Johnsen will share at the March 2022 meeting. YAC members will also share the results of their youth survey at that meeting.
 - 2. CEC is planning for an event to present the Founders’s Fund plaques, steering committee plaque and a Promise/Education advocacy open house/training. They are **wondering wonderful** if, because of Covid restrictions, any Board members would be interested in helping to present the Founder’s Fund plaques at smaller events at each school location?
- iv. Executive Committee: Next meeting, 10-19-22@3PM

7. Old Business:

- a. GPA Discussion Overview
 - i. Communication from Quillan
 - ii. Next Steps

8. Any Other Business:

- a. Quillan would like the wording changed on the website to include “up to 4 years”.
- b. Nash would like a greater awareness of the Mason County Promise.
- c. Connie Schwass declined the invitation to join the Mason County Promise. The CEC will discuss the process of acquiring a new Board member moving forward.

9. Limited Public Comment: None.

10. Adjourn: *Schuyler moved for adjournment at 4:18 p.m.*