



Minutes for the Meeting of the Board of Directors

May 16, 2023; 4:00 p.m.

Innocademy Allegan Campus - Middle

School Rooms

2611 56th Street

Fennville, MI 49408

School Mission Statement:

By embracing Innovation, we inspire our students to be global leaders and thinkers who positively impact others at home and abroad.

1. Call to Order: Jody Vogelzang called meeting to order at 4:06p.m.
2. Attendance: IAC board: Jody Vogelzang, Heather Deible, Emily Kimber; IES staff: Jake Hedges, Deb Feenstra, Dave Zimmer; LSSU staff: Joe Thienes, Lynn Methner (joining virtually)
3. Consent Agenda: Jody Vogelzang made a motion to approve agenda and prior meeting minutes, Heather Deible made a motion accept prior meeting minutes with the addition of Jody Vogelzang's last name to attendance, Emily Kimber seconded. Passes unanimously/motion carried.
 - a. Agenda
 - b. Prior Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2022
4. Board and Staff Celebrations of the School: Jake Hedges celebrated active shooter training that was completed. He reported it was a very emotionally heavy training, but the staff had lots of good learning. Break week is coming up and there will be another intervention opportunity for invited students who need the extra support. The PTO celebrated the teachers well during teacher appreciation week. Spring testing is almost done! MSTEP testing is complete, they are working on finishing up reading assessments and NWEA MAPS. Allegan Tech Camp is upcoming for seven middle school students. Bill Alwin is stepping down from the board. He has been a wealth of knowledge, has been greatly appreciated, and will be missed.
5. School Report
 - a. School Highlights (see celebrations above)
6. IES Report
 - a. Spring 2023 Board Policy Update: Deb Feenstra reported that yearly guidance has been given by National Charter Schools Institute on the current board policies. Most of the guidance is simply to change language within the policies. All changes were discussed. Not all changes are legally required, but they are best practice.

Jody Vogelzang made a motion to amend the agenda to add the action item to approve board policy update, Heather Deible seconded. Passed unanimously/motion carried.

7. Financial Report

a. April Financial Report: Dave Zimmer explained amendment #2. School revenue meets the projected amount. The budget is doing very well and the school is in a very healthy spot for the end of the year. The staff has done an excellent job saving money in preparation for changes in revenue next year (will not be receiving several federal grants next year). Dave also highlighted the budget planning for next school year and is optimistic with the projected enrollment and state funding.

8. Action Items

a. Motion to Approve Amplify as ELA Curriculum: Heather Deible made a motion, Jody Vogelzang seconded. Passed unanimously/motion carried.

b. Motion to Approve Board Policy Update: Jody Vogelzang made a motion, Heather Deible seconded. Passed unanimously/motion carried.

9. Discussion Items

a. 2023-2024 Budget (See financial report above)

b. Board Evaluation of IES: [Innocademy Allegan Campus: Board Evaluation of IES 2023](#).

Deb Feenstra suggested holding off completing this until next year when the reauthorization process is completed so that the newer board has more understanding.

c. Board Self Evaluation: [IAC Board Self Evaluation 2023](#) This needs to be completed in June.

d. Confirm June Quorum

10. LSSU Comment: Lynn Methner welcomed Joe Thienes to the LSSU team and will continue to support during the transition. Lynn suggested completing PD as a board and to make it a part of the monthly agenda. Another option she mentioned is having a separate board workshop time so the board can learn together and then discuss.

11. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: No public comment

Heather Deible made a motion to amend the agenda to accept Bill Alwin's resignation. Emily Kimber seconded. Passed unanimously/motion carried.

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12. Adjournment: Jody Vogelzang adjourned meeting at 5:15p.m.

a. Next Regular Board Meeting: June 27, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. for Budget Hearing; 4:15 p.m. for Regular Board Meeting; and 5:00 p.m. Organizational Meeting

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