



Innocademy Allegan  
Campus

2611 56th Street  
Fennville, MI  
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## Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

**September 19, 2023; 4:00 p.m.**  
**Innocademy Allegan Campus -**  
**Middle School Rooms**  
**2611 56<sup>th</sup> 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: Heather Deible called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.
2. Attendance
  - a. Board members present: Jody Vogelzang (virtually), Heather Deible, Emily Kimber, Leanne Geisterfer
  - b. Board members absent: None
  - c. IES: Jake Hedges, Dave Zimmer, Deb Feenstra
  - d. LSSU: Joe Thienes, Julie Buchholtz
  - e. Guest: Samuel Wallace
3. Consent Agenda
  - a. Agenda: Leanne Geisterfer made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Emily Kimber seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.
  - b. Prior Meeting Minutes – Aug 21, 2023
4. Board and Staff Celebrations of the School:

Board: Heather Deible celebrated that the academy's substitute bus driver, Rick Blaukamp, has filled in as an interim driver. He has allowed the academy to continue to provide transportation to and from school every day and has enabled the school to

Emily Kimber  
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maintain field trip opportunities. His willingness and time are both greatly appreciated by the board!

Staff: Jake Hedges celebrated that the academy is fully staffed as the interventionist role is now filled. The team has worked hard to do what they can to support struggling students without the position filled. They are so excited to see academic growth as more students will be able to receive the support they need.

5. School Report

a. N/A

6. IES Report (This portion of the meeting was presented after the financial report.)

a. Academic Performance Report: Julie Buchholtz presented the Academic Performance Report

7. Financial Report

a. August Financial Report: Dave Zimmer presented the August Financial Report

8. Action Items

a. Motion to approve MHSAA membership resolution: Emily Kimber made a motion to approve MHSAA membership resolution as presented. Leanne Geisterfer seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

9. Discussion Items

a. LSSU Governance and Compliance Report: Joe Thienes presented the LSSU Governance and Compliance Report

10. LSSU Comment: Congratulations to Leanne Geisterfer for taking the oath of office and joining the board today!

11. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None

12. Adjournment: Heather Deible adjourned the meeting at 5:13pm.

a. Next Regular Board Meeting: October 24, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.

*This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.*

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Those in attendance at this meeting are reminded that this is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting academy business. It is not considered to be a public meeting. There is a specified time on the agenda for public comment regarding issues of importance to those in attendance.

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Innocademy Allegan Campus has provided notice of this meeting at:

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