



Board of Directors Regular
Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2025
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: 8200 Irving Street
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by President Mulrooney.

Oath of Public Office

The Oath of Public Office was administered to Mr. Eraqi by Dr. Coggins, Notary Public.

Roll Call

A roll call was taken. The following board members were in attendance:

Present – Ms. Mariola Mulrooney
Present – Ms. Sakenah Hamdi
Present – Dr. Sam Almasri
Present – Mr. Eraqi Eraqi
Absent (Excused) – Mr. Suhaib Almkhtar

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Also in attendance were the following individuals:

Mr. Ahmed Saber, EMAN
Mr. Ehab Hassan, EMAN
Dr. Larry Cowger, EMAN
Dr. Lorilyn Coggins, EMAN
Dr. Adnan Abed, New Dawn Academy of Warren

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Mulrooney and seconded by Mr. Eraqi to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Almasri, Hamdi, and Eraqi).
Motion passed - Agenda approved.

No conflict of interest was reported by any board member.

8200 Irving Rd,
Sterling Heights, MI 48312



Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Ms. Mulrooney and seconded by Mr. Eraqi to approve the minutes. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – Mulrooney, Almasri, Hamdi, and Eraqi). Motion passed – Minutes approved.

Public Comment Relating to Agenda Items

No public comment was provided.

Correspondence

The following correspondence was entered into the record:

- MDE Approval of Vended School Meals Contract Renewal
- Day Care Center Capacity Increase
- MDE Notice of Budget Assumptions Requirement
- Saginaw Valley State University Appointment of Board Members

Reports

Mr. Saber welcomed the Board to the final meeting of the 24/25 school year. He congratulated the Board on completion of the third year of operations. He also noted that the 25/26 is an important year as it is a year of reauthorization. He and Dr. Aabed presented the management report, including academic updates, enrollment trends, professional development, and school events.

Dr. Coggins highlighted the financial reports noting the May 2025 cash on hand, fund balance, state revenue percentage received and expenditures total on an actual to budget comparison. She noted that the board packet also included the monthly cash flow and check register.

New Business

It was moved by Dr. Almasri and seconded by Ms. Hamdi to approve the monthly financial reports. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Almasri, Hamdi, and Eraqi). Motion passed – Monthly financial reports approved.

It was moved by Ms. Mulrooney and seconded by Mr. Eraqi to adopt the 2025-2026 Projected Budget as presented. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes - Mulrooney, Almasri, Hamdi, and Eraqi). Motion passed – 2025-2026 Budget adopted.



It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Ms. Mulrooney to adopt the 24/25 Amended Budget as presented. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes –Mulrooney, Almasri, Hamdi, and Eraqi). Motion passed – 24/25 Amended Budget approved.

It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Ms. Mulrooney to approve the 25/26 Vended School Meals Contract Renewal and Rate Agreement. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes –Mulrooney, Almasri, Hamdi, and Eraqi). Motion passed – Vended School Meals Contract Renewal approved.

Extended Public Comments


There were no extended public comments.

Closing Items

It was noted that with the ongoing summer renovation project at the school, the July board meeting would be cancelled. The next meeting date is Tuesday, August 20, 2025, at 6:00 pm at New Dawn Academy. The August meeting will include the annual organizational items.

It was moved by Ms. Mulrooney and seconded by Ms. Hamdi that the meeting be adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion. Motion passed – Meeting Adjourned.

I certify that these minutes were approved [as read,] as corrected, by the Academy Board at a duly noticed open meeting held on August 28, 2025 at which a quorum was present.

By: 
Its: Secretary

Copies of the minutes are available at 8200 Irving Street, Sterling Heights, MI 48312.