



## **Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**

Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 6:00 PM

8200 Irving Road, Sterling Heights, MI 48312

### **1. Opening Items**

- 1.1 Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Board President Mulrooney.
- 1.2 Roll Call - A roll call was taken. The following board members were in attendance:  
Present–Ms. Mariola Mulrooney  
Present–Ms. Sakenah Hamdi  
Present– Mr. Suhaib Almukhtar (arrived 6:06pm)  
Absent –Dr. Sam Almasri  
Present – Mr. Eraqi Eraqi

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Also in attendance were the following individuals:

Mr. Ahmed Saber, EMAN  
Mr. Darian Amirsaleh, EMAN  
Dr. Randy Speck, EMAN  
Mr. Ehab Hassan, EMAN  
Dr. Larry Cowger, EMAN  
Mr. Adnan Aabed, New Dawn Academy of Warren

- 1.3 Approval of Agenda - It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Ms. Mulrooney to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous (3/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 3/0; Eraqi, Ms. Hamdi, and Ms. Mulrooney). Motion passed - Agenda approved.
- 1.4 Conflict of Interest Inquiry - No conflict of interest was reported by any board member

- 1.5 Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes - It was moved by Ms. Mulrooney and seconded by Ms. Hamdi to approve the minutes from February. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Eraqi, Mulrooney, Almukhtar, and Hamdi). Motion passed – Minutes adopted.

**2. Public Comment - None**

**3. Correspondence**

- 3.1 Dr. Cowger reviewed the SVSU March Newsletter

- 3.2 Dr. Cowger reviewed the SVSU Field Report, which was overwhelmingly positive.

**4. Reports**

- 4.1 Management Company Report – Mr. Saber, Dr. Speck and Dr. Aabed provided an overview of the written report including highlights of current school activities including an overview of academics, current enrollment, professional development, and assessment.
- 4.2 Science of Reading presentation - Dr. Speck presented the Science of Reading, which is the basis for the new ELA curriculum.
- 4.3 Financial Reports - Dr. Cowger briefly reviewed the financials pointing out cash on hand, the fund balance, State revenues, and expenditures.

**5. Unfinished Business - None**

**6. New Business**

- 6.1 Approval of Monthly Financial Reports- It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Ms. Mulrooney to approve the February financials. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Eraqi, Hamdi, and Almukhtar). Motion passed – Financials approved.
- 6.2 Approval to submit the Reauthorization documents to SVSU. It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Mr. Almukhtar to approve the submission of the Reauthorization documents to SVSU. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Eraqi, Hamdi, and Almukhtar). Motion passed – the submission of the Reauthorization documents approved.
- 6.3 It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Mr. Almukhtar to go into a closed session at 6:36pm to review the updates and revisions of the Emergency Operations manual. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Eraqi, Hamdi, and Almukhtar). Motion passed – Closed session approved.

6.4 It was moved by Mr. Almkhtar and seconded by Ms. Hamdi to return to open session at 6:53pm following the review of the updates and revisions of the Emergency Operations manual. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Eraqi, Hamdi, and Almkhtar). Motion passed – Return to open session.

6.5 Approval of the updates and revisions of the Emergency Operations manual. It was moved by Ms. Hamdi and seconded by Mr. Almkhtar to approve the updates and revisions of the Emergency Operations manual. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Eraqi, Hamdi, and Almkhtar). Motion passed – updates and revisions of the Emergency Operations manual approved.

7. **Other Business**

8. **Extended Public Comment (not limited to agenda items)**

9. **Closing Items**

9.1 Announcement of Next Meeting Date – April 21, 2026, at New Dawn Academy.


9.2 **Adjournment-** It was moved by Mr. Almkhtar and seconded by Ms. Hamdi to adjourn at 6:58pm. The vote was unanimous (4/0) in favor of the motion (Ayes – 4/0; Mulrooney, Eraqi, Hamdi, Mr. Almkhtar). Motion passed – Meeting adjourned.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors of New Dawn Academy in public for the purpose of conducting the New Dawn Academy’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is time for public participation during the meeting.

Minutes available at Board office: 8200 Irving Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48312

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I certify that these minutes were approved[] as read, [  ] as corrected, by the Academy Board at a duly noticed open meeting held on April 21 2026 at which a quorum was present.

By:   
Its: Secretary

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