

**ACADEMY FOR INTEGRATED ARTS
BOARD of DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

April 25, 2024

4:30 p.m.

7910 Troost Ave., Kansas City, Missouri

Present: Emily Brown, Secretary
Lynne Brown, Member
Peter Brown, Member
Brad Epsten, Chairman
Patrick Lenoir, Member (Zoom)
Cara Newell, Treasurer
Jennifer Waddell, Member (Zoom)

Also Present: Tricia DeGraff, Executive Director
Karren Colbert, Principal (Zoom)
Asha Moore, Assistant Principal
Auburn Ellis, DEI Facilitator

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Brad Epsten called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

II. COMMUNITY FORUM

The board will hear comments from community members. These comments may relate to any item on the agenda or other issues which need to be brought to the attention of the Board. Individual comments are limited to five minutes. Time allotted for the community forum will be fifteen minutes.

I. FINANCIAL REPORT

- Budget Report-Cara Newell

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of the minutes from the March 21, 2024 board meeting
- Approval of warrant list (check registry and purchasing card record)
- Approval of the financial report
Motion: Lynne Brown
Second: Emily Brown
Vote 7-0

V. ACTION ITEMS

- Approval of the board policies
Motion: Cara Newell
Second: Peter Brown
Vote 7-0

- Approval to continue transportation services with Brookside Charter School for the 2024-2025 school year (through May 2025)

Motion: Lynne Brown

Second: Cara Newell

Vote 7-0

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Monthly Update – Tricia DeGraff

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS/COMMITTEE REPORT

- Education Committee did not meet
- Audit/Finance Committee met April 18, 2024
- Governance Committee met April 16, 2024

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- DEI Training – Dr. Auburn Ellis: Educational Equity

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Recommendation to enter into executive session for the purpose of conducting business related to personnel, real estate and/or legal issues as specified in Section 610.021 of the Missouri Sunshine Law.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn: Emily Brown

Second: Peter Brown

Vote 7-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Next Board Meeting Date: May 23, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Brown
Secretary

Brad Epsten
President