



820 Academy Road  
Holly, MI 48442  
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Date of Meeting: Wednesday, October 20, 2021  
Time of Meeting: 5:30pm  
Location: 820 Academy Road, Holly, Michigan

Meeting Type:  Annual  Special  Proposed  Approved

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Dave Cruickshank at 5:32pm.

**Roll Call**

**Members Present:**

Mr. Dave Cruickshank, President  
Mrs. Diane Kullis, Vice President  
Mr. Stephen Jenkins, Treasurer  
Mr. Dylan Adams, Secretary / FOIA  
Mrs. Amy Hillman, Director

**Members Absent:**

Mrs. Doreen DeBenedictus, Director  
Mr. Matt Gerard, Director

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Ms. Julie Kildee, Director  
Ms. Jennifer Burns, Special Education Director  
Mrs. Tina Craven, Interim Curriculum Director

**Central Michigan University Representative Present:**

Mrs. Shada Biabani  
Mr. Ed Roth

**Approval of Agenda**

Diane Kullis moved to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Stephen Jenkins. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Introduction of Staff**

Julie Kildee introduced the following new staff members and they shared information about themselves.  
Vickie Johnson, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade math  
Romina Pena-Sweetman, elementary Spanish  
Linda Andrada, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> technology teacher and special education para-professional  
Taylor Ford, 1<sup>st</sup> grade  
Becky Foster, 1<sup>st</sup> grade  
Wendy Sprague, elementary music, middle school choir, and special education para-professional  
Shaun Kovatch, curriculum director

### Strategic Plan Review

Julie Kildee discussed the strategic plan.

### Consent Agenda Items

1. Enrollment Information
2. September Bills and Deposits
3. Proposal for overnight/extended student trip – Mackinac Island

Amy Hillman moved to accept/approve consent agenda items. Seconded by Diane Kullis. **Motion passed unanimously.**

### Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

### Approval of Previous Minutes

Stephen Jenkins moved to approve minutes from Regular Board Meeting September 22, 2021. Seconded by Amy Hillman. **Motion passed unanimously.**

### New Business

#### Correspondence

Shada Biabani informed the Board CMU has made some changes and she will no longer be Holly Academy's school lead. Shada introduced Ed Roth who will replace her. Ed shared information about himself. Shada shared information about upcoming events.

Dylan Adams moved to approve teacher contracts. Seconded by Stephen Jenkins. **Amy Hillman – yes, Diane Kullis – yes, Dylan Adams – yes, Stephen Jenkins – yes, Dave Cruickshank – yes. Motion passed unanimously.**

Diane Kullis moved to approve administrative contract. Seconded by Amy Hillman. **Amy Hillman – yes, Diane Kullis – yes, Dylan Adams – yes, Stephen Jenkins – yes, Dave Cruickshank – yes. Motion passed unanimously.**

Dave Cruickshank and Amy Hillman shared information from the marketing committee meeting. Jen Burns will share the vision story with all the board members. The question, "Why are you choosing Holly Academy?" will be added to the enrollment application.

#### Reports

**Director** – In addition to her report Julie Kildee shared that even though the budgeted 620 students was not reached we maintained the same enrollment as Fall of 2020. It will be the first time in many years HA did not decrease in enrollment. Julie gave kudos and a huge thank you to Tina Craven for stepping in as interim curriculum director. She has done an amazing job! Tina Craven has once again been awarded the early literacy grant. Thank you, Tina!

**MAST Financial** – Nothing additional

**Facilities Director** – Jose Melero was not present.

**Finance/Building Committee** – None

**Governance Committee** – None

**Marketing Committee** – Discussed earlier under new business.

#### Extended Public Comment

Stephen Ghostley made a public comment via email.  
Matt Vincil made a public comment.

#### Board Comments

None

#### Meeting Adjournment


Amy Hillman moved to adjourn at 7:07pm. Seconded by Diane Kullis. **Motion passed unanimously.**

I respectfully submit these Board minutes as an accurate account of the business conducted by the Holly Academy Board of Directors during the October 20, 2021, Regular Board Meeting.

Submitted by:   
Jenn Melton  
Recording Secretary

Date: 10/25/21

I respectfully submit these Board minutes as an accurate account of the business conducted by the Holly Academy Board of Directors during the October 20, 2021, Regular Board Meeting.

Submitted by:   
~~Dylan Adams~~ Dave Cruikshank  
Acting Secretary

Date: 11/12/21