Minutes of the York Adams Academy

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. at the York Adams site located at the York Learning Center, 300 East Seventh Avenue, York, PA.

Mrs. Ellen Freireich called the meeting to order.

I. Attendance

Board Members Present:

Central York	- Mrs. Veronica Gemma
Dallastown	- Mr. Scott Wingard
Eastern York	- Mr. Richard Zepp
Northeastern	- Mr. Mike Redding
Red Lion	- Mr. Jay Vasellas
Spring Grove	- Mrs. Karen Baum
York Suburban	- Mrs. Ellen Freireich

Board Members Not in Attendance:

Dover	- Mr. Terry Emig
South Eastern	- Mr. Brian Hoffman
West York	- Mr. Donald Carl

Also in Attendance:

Dr. Michael Snell – Superintendent of Record Mr. Christopher Fultz – Director Mr. Brent Kessler – Business Manager Mrs. Cynthia Tomevi - Coordinator of Student Services

II. Student of the Meeting: Liam Bond from the Red Lion Area School District. Liam earned six credits since he started at YAA in August 2019. He likes the evening schedule and plans to go into a carpentry apprenticeship or the computer field when he graduates.

III. Approval of the Minutes: Minutes stand as accepted by the Board.

IV. Discussion Items

A. <u>Online curriculum</u>- Dr. Michael Snell talked about leveraging our connection with member districts for resources to online courses. This could enhance and advance the experience at YAA.

B. <u>Advertising Positions</u>- Dr. Michael Snell shared that member districts will advertise YAA open positions on their websites. Open positions will also be advertised in the Community Courier. Mr. Richard Zepp suggested advertising on Monster and Indeed. Mrs. Veronica Gemma suggested advertising on Linked In and Zip Recruiter.

C. <u>Mandatory Compulsory Age</u>- a discussion was held about Act 26 (Compulsory School Age). At this time, 17-year-old students will continue to attend class three hour per day and 16 -year old students will continue to do double sessions (6 hours per day).

V. Action Items

A/B. Approval of Treasurer's Report and Approval of Bills – Mr. Richard Zepp made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and payment of the bills for January 2020. Mr. Jay Vasellas seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

C. 2020-2021 School Calendar- Mr. Jay Vasellas made a motion to accept the school calendar. Mrs. Karen Baum seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

D. Approval of three new courses: Street Law (1 credit), Writing for the Workplace (0.5 credit) and Mathematics for the Workplace (0.5 credit). Mr. Jay Vasellas made a motion to approve the new courses. Mr. Richard Zepp seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

E./F. Acceptance of the retirements of Elizabeth Bucher and Cynthia Tomevi effective 6/30/2020: Mr. Jay Vasellas accepted the retirements, Mrs. Veronica Gemma seconded, all were in favor, motion carried. Special acknowledgement and congratulations were shared by others and much gratitude for all the years of service for both Elizabeth and Cynthia.

VI. President's Report

A. Mrs. Ellen Freireich requested all members review the updated contact information.

VII. Director's Report

A. Enrollment Report- Mr. Christopher Fultz reported that we have fifty (50) graduates to date and three (3) of our students have one (1) credit or less to complete all their graduation requirements. Sixty-two (62%) of our seats are full. Total graduates to date: 4132.

VIII. Superintendent of Record's Report (Dr. Michael Snell)

A. District Expulsions - Dr. Michael Snell had a discussion with member district superintendents about expulsions. If a student is expelled from their home district, the student cannot attend YAA.

IX. Adjournment:

With unanimous consent, the York Adams Academy Joint Authority Committee adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

The next YAA Joint Authority Committee meeting is at 7:00 p.m. March 31, 2020 at the York Learning Center.

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