



Board of Trustees Meeting MINUTES

February 16, 2022

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Dayton & Montgomery County

Chair:	Debbie Feldman
Note Taker/Time Keeper:	Barbara Elrod
Members Present:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PJ Brafford <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deborah Feldman (joined at 12:12 p.m.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anissa Lumpkin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jane McGee-Rafal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Rippey <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Angeline Washington
Members Absent:	
Guests:	Joshua Ward, Jonathan Washington
Vision:	All Montgomery County, Ohio children are ready for kindergarten.
Mission:	Preschool Promise ensures that children are ready for Kindergarten by equipping Preschools and families with exceptional support, coaching, and education.

CALL TO ORDER / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Debbie Feldman.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Board reviewed minutes from the meeting held on December 8, 2021.

Jane McGee-Rafal motioned for approval.

Anissa Lumpkin seconded the motion.

All in favor; none opposed; motion passed (5-0).

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Robyn Lightcap shared information on the upcoming 13th Annual Readiness Summit on March 4. She spoke about Dr. Bruce Perry, the keynote speaker; the 14 breakout sessions; and that over 650 participants have registered for the event so far. She invited the Board members to attend and shared that this year the event is advertised as a joint event with Preschool Promise and Learn to Earn Dayton.

Robyn shared that she and the Directors have been working on a new strategic plan that incorporates the collaborations we are currently working on. She also discussed the Wage Pilot and shared that the team has worked with administrators of child care programs in Northwest Dayton as well as partners across the nation to design a plan.

Robyn shared that she was invited to give testimony in Columbus at the Statehouse on the Step Up to Quality Program on February 9th.

Ashley Marshall reported that we have over 2,000 fully enrolled Preschool Promise students, with 2,600 attending our sites. The Operations team is continually looking for different strategies to reach more children. She also reported that for the 2022-23 school year we will have 6 to 8 new providers in Huber Heights and that applications are tentatively scheduled to open on March 7th for the new year.

ACTION ITEMS

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS

The Board approved the presented financial statements as of December 31, 2021.

Anissa Lumpkin motioned for approval.

Jamie Rippey seconded the motion.

All in favor; none opposed; motion passed (5-0)

4. OUTREACH SPECIALIST MOU APPROVAL

The Board approved the Outreach Specialist Memorandum of Understanding template for both Seasonal and Year Round positions.

5. EXTENSION APPROVAL – Pop Up Playgroup & Preschool Pilot

The Board approved an extension through July 31, 2022 for the Pop Up Playgroup & Preschool Pilot with On Purpose Academy in an amount not to exceed \$59,000.00.

6. CONTRACT APPROVAL – Kathleen Moore

The Board approved a contract with Kathleen Moore to provide professional development, coaching and consultation during November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022 in the amount not to exceed \$23,650.

7. CONTRACT APPROVAL – EC Learn

The Board approved a contract with EC Learn to provide CLASS Assessments at assigned Preschool Promise sites, complete written reports for each completed assessment and submit CLASS scores. The assessments will be conducted from February 16-June 1, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$24,000.00.

8. AGREEMENT APPROVAL – Ohio Valley AV

The Board approved a purchase agreement with Ohio Valley AV in the amount of \$10,442.82 for equipment and installation for the conference room.

Jane McGee-Rafal motioned for approval of items 4-8.

Jamie Rippey seconded the motion.

All in favor; none opposed; motion passed (5-0).

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Debbie Feldman and Robyn Lightcap introduced Joshua Ward, Jonathan Washington who co-chaired the Committee to Transform Preschool for Black Boys.

Both Joshua and Jonathan were thankful to the Board and Preschool Promise for taking this issue seriously and making the commitment to dedicate resources to improve learning for Black

boys. They expressed how moving it was to talk with families about the issues they face daily with our youngest learners. They shared the attached report.

Following the presentation Emily Broughton shared information on the Job Fair that took place on January 22. Despite strong efforts to promote the event, we had a low turnout of potential workers. However, the educators liked connecting to each other and were very grateful for the opportunity.

She also shared the enthusiasm of the “Panda” hats by the children and provider staff. The outreach season is just around the corner and interviews are scheduled for February 22 & 23. She spoke about our Partners in Play and shared the latest video. She discussed our goals with strengthening social media and our presence on Tik Tok to reach our young parents.

9. ADJOURN

Debbie Feldman adjourned the meeting at 1:08 p.m.