

Gateway Online Academy of Ohio
(An Ohio Not-for-Profit Corporation)
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Gateway Online Academy of Ohio (the “School”) held a Regular Board Meeting (the “meeting”) on August 8, 2022 at 5730 Broadview Road, Parma, 44134.

Board Members in Attendance

Kimberly Bartlett
Diane Faehnrich, arrived at 6:33 p.m.
Member Kunberger
Mark Sanzotta
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman

Guests in Attendance:

Anne Trakas, Callender Law Group
Mike Garcar, Callender Law Group, via Zoom
Marty Yoder, via Zoom
Matt Arkin, via Zoom
Jason McMillin, via Zoom
Brian Hessey
Jennifer Heymann

1. Sign-in / A Call to order

Chairman Petrea called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members Present

Chairman Petrea requested a roll call of Board members. The Chairman noted a quorum was present.

3. Public Hearing, Peanut & Food Allergy Policy

Opportunity for Public Comment

Pursuant to ORC §3313.719 and Ohio Department of Education Requirements, the Board held a Public Hearing for public comment on the Peanut & Food Allergy Policy. This policy requires staff to be trained and emergency protocols be put in place. There was no public comment.

4. Reports and Updates

a. Head of School Report

Mr. Hessey gave the School/Operator Report. Professional Development was held virtually. They are getting classrooms ready.

Mr. Yoder was introduced to the Board, and he gave his educational background.

Outreach was discussed. Thursday, August 11th is Open House. The goal is to encourage more interaction between the staff and families. Member Bartlett inquired whether Board Members can watch Open House. Mr. Yoder said he would share with Mr. Hessey to share with the Board.

Personnel Report

There are currently 27 staff members. Three (3) of four (4) math positions are currently open. Applications for those positions have been open and there have not been any applicants. The School may begin looking into tutoring companies. The School also has two (2) Intervention Specialist positions open. Marty

b. Management Company Report

Mr. Arkin gave the Management Company Report. Gateway has passed Opening Assurances and will have their first day of school on August 15th.

Enrollment was discussed. There are 62 students actively enrolled. There are 88 more applications started and 66 applications are in progress. The School is on track to meet their enrollment goal of 500 students by early October. Marty Yoder, the School's principal, was introduced to the Board and said he was working with the staff to bring everything together for the start of the year.

c. Sponsor Report (Charter School Specialists)

i. August 2022 At-a-Glance Reports

Included for review in the meeting materials.

ii. August 2022 Sponsor Connection

Ms. Heymann gave the Sponsor Report. She explained the School can hire teachers with a substitute license. She also noted the new webpage on the Ohio Department of Education website for families with children who have Special Education Needs.

d. Treasurer Report

Mr. McMillin gave the Treasurer Report. He said there was not a lot of activity and the School has not received funding for students. The funding will come in early to mid-October from the State.

e. Legal Update (Callender Law Group)

i. Discussion, Resolutions on the agenda

Mr. Garcar gave the Legal Update. The New Business items were reviewed.

5. Old Business

None.

6. New Business

a. Discussion, Adoption/Approval of Minutes from the July 11, 2022 Board meeting

The Minutes from the July 11, 2022 Board Meeting were brought forward for consideration by the Board. Upon Motion duly made by Member Sanzotta to adopt the Minutes from the July 11, 2022 Board Meeting without amendment, seconded by Member Faehnrich, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Board Member <i>Name/Initials</i>	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(Not Present, Abstain, etc.)</i>
Kimberly Bartlett	X		
Diane Faehnrich	X		
Steven Kunberger	X		
Mark Sanzotta	X		
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	X		

b. Resolution, Adoption/Approval of Peanut and Food Allergy Policy

The Peanut and Food Allergy Policy for the 2022/2023 Academic Year was brought forward for consideration by the Board. A discussion was had during the Legal Update. Upon Motion duly made by Member Sanzotta to adopt the Peanut and Food Allergy Policy for the 2022/2023 Academic Year without amendment, seconded by Member Faehnrich, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Board Member <i>Name/Initials</i>	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(Not Present, Abstain, etc.)</i>
Kimberly Bartlett	X		
Diane Faehnrich	X		
Steven Kunberger	X		
Mark Sanzotta	X		
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	X		

c. Resolution, Adoption/Approval of Homeless Children and Youth Policy, 2022/2023 Academic Year

The Homeless Children and Youth Policy for the 2022/2023 Academic Year was brought forward for consideration by the Board. A discussion was had during the Legal Update. Upon Motion duly made by Member Sanzotta to adopt the Homeless Children and Youth Policy for the 2022/2023 Academic Year without amendment, seconded by Member Bartlett, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Board Member <i>Name/Initials</i>	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(Not Present, Abstain, etc.)</i>
Kimberly Bartlett	X		
Diane Faehnrich	X		
Steven Kunberger	X		
Mark Sanzotta	X		
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	X		

d. Resolution, Adoption/Approval of Substitute Teacher Requirements, 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 Academic Years

The Substitute Teacher Requirements for the 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 Academic Years were brought forward for consideration by the Board. A discussion was had during the Legal Update.

A question was asked about how Good Moral Character will be defined. Mr. Garcar noted this will be decided by the Board as it is not defined in the statute. Another question was asked about the definition of a substitute teacher. Mr. Garcar explained that as long as the person has a long-term substitute license, they can be a substitute teacher. A new substitute license was created for the purpose of having substitutes for the entire year.

Upon Motion duly made by Member Sanzotta to adopt the Substitute Teacher Requirements for the 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 Academic Years without amendment, seconded by Member Faehnrich, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Board Member Name/Initials	AYE	NAY	OTHER (Not Present, Abstain, etc.)
Kimberly Bartlett	X		
Diane Faehnrich	X		
Steven Kunberger	X		
Mark Sanzotta	X		
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	X		

e. Resolution, Adoption/Approval of Building Lease, 2022/2023 Academic Year

The Building Lease for the 2022/2023 Academic Year was brought forward for consideration by the Board. A discussion was had during the Legal Update. Upon Motion duly made by Member Sanzotta to adopt the Building Lease for the 2022/2023 Academic Year without amendment, seconded by Member Faehnrich, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote.

Board Member Name/Initials	AYE	NAY	OTHER (Not Present, Abstain, etc.)
Kimberly Bartlett	X		
Diane Faehnrich	X		
Steven Kunberger	X		
Mark Sanzotta	X		
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	X		

7. Open Discussion/Public Comment

Chairman Petrea brought up the creation of committees and asked for Mr. Garcar's guidance. He also asked the other Members to consider what committees they would like to form. Mr. Garcar noted the two most popular committees are an Executive Committee and an Audit and

Finance Committee. Other possible committees could include a Student Discipline Committee or a Career Tech Committee. The Board inquired about committees that are unique to an online school, like Internet Security or Truancy. Chairman Petrea explained those issues would be more under the Operator’s control.

8. Date/Time/Location of the Next Regular Board Meeting:

Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. at 12925 Corporate Dr., Parma, 44130.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon Motion duly made by Member Faehnrich to adjourn the August 8, 2022, Board Meeting of Gateway Online Academy of Ohio, seconded by Member Sanzotta, the Motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous affirmative vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.


Board Member <i>Name/Initials</i>	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(Not Present, Abstain, etc.)</i>
Kimberly Bartlett	X		
Diane Faehnrich	X		
Steven Kunberger	X		
Mark Sanzotta	X		
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	X		

APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion to approve and adopt minutes of the August 8, 2022 Regular Board

meeting of Gateway Online Academy of Ohio, with without amendments,

made by Bartlett, seconded by Faehrich.

Roll Call Board Member Name/Initials	AYE	NAY	Other (Abstain, not present, etc.)
Kimberly Bartlett	 X		
Diane Faehrich	DF X		
Steven Kunberger			Not present
Mark Sanzotta			Not present
Jonathan Petrea, Chairman	JEP. X		

Executed and adopted by a vote of the Board on this 12th day of SEPTEMBER,
2022.



 Jonathan Petrea, Chairman
 Gateway Online Academy of Ohio