

21st Century Charter School at Gary/Gary Middle College
East Chicago Focus Academy

Board of Directors Meeting (Edgewater Health, 1100 W. 6th Avenue)
November 9, 2017
Meeting Minutes

Attending:	Arlene Colvin	Absent:	Charles Swanson
	Alyce Butler		Dakita Jones
	Nadine McDowell		Jena Bellezza
	Arlene Pearson		
	Dana Gore		
	Lisa Edwards		
	Katrina Hudson		
	Theodore McClendon		

1. Meeting called to order at 12:10 p.m. by Arlene Colvin, Board Chair.
2. Motion to approve the agenda put forth by Arlene Pearson, seconded by Theodore McClendon. Motion carried.
3. There was no public comment. LaTasha Sims, parent – present. Arlene Pearson was thanked for her hospitality for making Edgewater available for the board meeting.
4. Motion to approve the minutes of October 12, 2017 put forth by Dana Gore, seconded by Nadine McDowell. Motion carried.
5. Parent was asked if she had difficulty finding the board meeting. She said yes. By board consensus, it was agreed that the next meeting would be held at Gary Middle College.
6. Superintendent's report referenced in materials.
7. Gary Middle College's Principal Update referenced in materials. Board members expressed concern about continually appealing grades we receive. Arlene Colvin suggested that the academic committee meet to discuss recommendations.
8. GMC final budget was discussed. Motion to approve budget put forth by Theodore McClendon, seconded by Katrina Hudson. Motion carried.
9. 21st Century's Principal Update referenced in materials. Four students moved from 7th to 8th grade. DeAndre Gholson signed his letter of intent with Kent State. Maturity of young teachers discussed.
10. 21st Century final budget discussed. Motion to approve budget put forth by Arlene Pearson, seconded by Nadine McDowell. Motion carried.
11. Work study initiative discussed. Emil Ekiyor updated the board on meetings with Mayor Freeman-Wilson. Arlene Colvin to set up meeting with Denise Dillard's WDS group.
12. Motion to adjourn put forth at 1:03 pm by Theodore McClendon, seconded by Lisa Edwards. Motion carried.