# Wayne Preparatory Academy Board of Directors Meeting - Special Called Meeting Middle School Media Center November 29, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

#### OPENING

A. Welcome and Call to Order — Mrs. Amanda Wells
The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Chairman Amanda Wells. Those present included board members Donna Scott, Scott Mackey, and Amanda Wells. Fifteen other members of the administration, staff and parents/public were present.

## B. Notification of Conflicts of Interest—Scott Mackey

Board members are reminded that it is our duty to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of conflicts of interest as we handle the work of the Board. Does any member of the Board know of any conflict of interest or any appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before us at this meeting? If so, please state them for the record. If during the course of the meeting you become aware of an actual or apparent conflict of interest, please bring the matter to the attention of the Chair. It will then be your duty to abstain from participating in discussion on the matter and from voting on the matter.

Read by Scott. No conflicts were presented.

C. Motion to approve the Agenda as Business Order of the Day Amanda Wells verbally indicated the Agenda for this specially called meeting was to the presentation of the School Improvement Plan. A Motion to approve the Agenda as business order of the day was made by Donna Scott and seconded Scott Mackey. No discussion. The Motion passed unanimously.

### II. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Twitty presented the School Improvement Plan. He advised that 864 schools were low performing this year. DPI is looking at changing the grading where 80% of the grade will be proficiency and 20% growth. WPA met growth but dropped 14% in proficiency. The problem areas were  $4^{th}$  grade math,  $8^{th}$  grade science,  $9^{th}$  grade biology, Math I and Math III. Mr. Twitty presented the goals for exceeding growth (71.2  $\rightarrow$  81%). They want to close the gap between the student subgroups and overall increase our letter grade from a D to C. They will be using NC Check-Ins on a quarterly basis and map out the results. They will move teachers around as necessary. Classroom management will also be key.

In addition, they will target scholars who need extra help. A math tutor will be onsite. I-Ready will be employed as well as have a curriculum night for families. They plan to add a Middle School science coach and incorporate more professional development to include Leader-In-Me and Kagan training. Principals should stay out of their offices and be in the classroom. Attendance will be encouraged, and homework being incorporated more. They will be sending some staff members to the "Teach like a champ" for strategies on classroom management. Behaviors will be tracked.

The computers will need to be updated.

A Motion to Approve the School Improvement Plan as presented was made by Scott Mackey and seconded by Donna Scott. The Motion passed unanimously.

# III. ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. was made by Scott Mackey and seconded by Donna Scott. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Amanda M. Wells, Board Chair