KALAMAZOO FOUNDATION FOR EXCELLENCE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Meeting of August 26, 2024

A. Call to Order
    1. The meeting of the Kalamazoo Foundation for Excellence (KFFE) Executive Committee was called to order at 3:02 p.m. in the Community Room of City Hall by President Calderon-Huezo. Vice President Ritsema, and Directors Bogan and Parker were present. Secretary Bostrom and Director Balkema had notified absences. A motion was made to excuse Directors Bostrom and Balkema by Director Bogan and seconded by Director Parker. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. A quorum was present.

B. Approval of Minutes
    1. The draft minutes of the April 8, 2024, meeting were moved for approval by Director Ritsema and seconded by Director Bogan. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

C. Reports and Communications
    1. The progress report on 2024 FFE-Funded Aspirational Projects conducted by the City was presented by the Executive Director. There was discussion by Directors to understand details of funding, program descriptions, program history, and outlook. No action was requested.

D. Regular Agenda
    1. A motion was made by Director Bogan and seconded by Director Parker to recommend Affinity Director Candidate Adrian Vazquez-Alatorre to the City Commission for approval and Board for appointment. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.
    2. A motion was made by Director Bogan and seconded by Director Parker to recommend amending the At-Large description of the FFE Bylaws and Articles to the Board and City Commission. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

At 3:42 the President had to excuse herself from the meeting, which reduced attendance to below quorum, and the meeting was adjourned. Remaining items on the Regular Agenda were:

3. Recommend Amending the Officer Eligibility Guidelines in the FFE Bylaws to the Board and City Commission. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
4. Recommend and Increase in the Executive Director’s Base Salary to the Board of Directors. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
5. Approve the September 23, 2024, Board meeting Agenda. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

E. No public comments.

F. No board comments.

G. Vice President Ritsema adjourned the meeting at 3:42 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 7, 2024, at 3 p.m.
Minutes Drafted: August 26, 2024.

Minutes Approved: __9/3/2024_______

___Steve Brown_____________
Steve Brown, Recording Secretary