

YOUNGSTOWN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
ACADEMIC DISTRESS COMMISSION

Members:

Dr. John Richard
Nicholas Santucci
Vincent Shivers
Maria Hoffmaster

Anthony J. Farris, Office of the Attorney General

MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

CHOFFIN CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER

9:00 A.M.

The Youngstown Academic Distress quarterly meeting took place on June 8, 2018 at the Choffin Career Center. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Dr. Richard, ADC Chair. The oath of office was administered by Atty. Anthony Farris, to Maria Hoffmaster as an Academic Distress Commission member. Ms. Hoffmaster's background was provided and she was introduced and welcomed as an ADC member to the public.

ROLL CALL

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Maria Hoffmaster	— x —	_____
Dr. John Richard	— x —	_____
Nicholas Santucci	— x —	_____
Vincent Shivers	— x —	_____

APPROVAL OF JUNE 8, 2018 AGENDA

Motion by: Nicholas Santucci

Seconded by: Vincent Shivers

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	— x —	No	_____
Dr. John Richard	Yes	— x —	No	_____
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	— x —	No	_____
Vincent Shivers	Yes	— x —	No	_____

APPROVAL OF MARCH 7, 2018 MINUTES

Motion by: Maria Hoffmaster

Seconded by: Nicholas Santucci

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	— x —	No	_____
Dr. John Richard	Yes	— x —	No	_____
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	— x —	No	_____
Vincent Shivers	Yes	— x —	No	_____

COMMISSION ACTION was taken to temporarily suspend the requirement that commission members receive the agenda forty-eight (48) hours in advance so as not to impede the business of the commission and act on the below item raised in the amended agenda.

Motion by: Maria Hoffmaster Seconded by: Vincent Shivers

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Dr. John Richard	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Vincent Shivers	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON, nominations were received amongst the ADC members for ADC Vice Chairperson. Maria Hoffmaster nominated Nicholas Santucci. Mr. Santucci accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations.

Motion was given to elect Nicholas Santucci as ADC Vice-Chairperson

Motion by: Maria Hoffmaster Seconded by: Nicholas Santucci

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Dr. John Richard	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Vincent Shivers	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (*Comments must pertain to the district strategic plan, 5 minutes per person, 30 minutes maximum in total*)

- Dr. Richard clarified that during public comment, all comments will need to pertain directly to the strategic plan. There were no public comments.

At this time Dr. Richard proposed a working session in the summer, perhaps July or August to provide clarity to information provided during the meeting to the ADC members.

EXECUTIVE SESSION The Commission entered into executive session to consider the employment, promotion, demotion and/or discipline of public employees. The Commission may take action upon returning to open session.

Motion by: Nicholas Santucci Seconded by: Maria Hoffmaster

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Dr. John Richard	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Vincent Shivers	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>

The Commission returned to open meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Motion by: Nicholas Santucci *Seconded by:* Maria Hoffmaster

Roll Call:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Dr. John Richard	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Vincent Shivers	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>

COMMISSION ACTION took formal action to authorize an amendment of the CEO’s Contract for purposes of clarification. Due to the fact that the CEO’s compensation comes directly from the state, the contract needed to be amended to correct the inconsistency between the length of the contract and the term set forth which makes the daily rate unclear. There were no changes made to the CEO’s compensation or any part of the contract, only to specify the academic years of the contract:

Year 1: 8/1/16 – 7/31/17

Year 2: 8/1/17 – 7/31/18

Year 3: 8/1/18 – 7/31/19

Motion by: Maria Hoffmaster *Seconded by:* Vincent Shivers

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Dr. John Richard	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>
Vincent Shivers	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	<u> </u>

PRESENTATION from the Ohio Department of Education Review Team and the alignment with YCSD Strategic Plan.

Dr. Claire Franklin provided an overview of Youngstown’s District Review, which was conducted on March 19-23, 2018. She explained the process of the comprehensive review and the support that is provided for the district. The review team looks at the effectiveness of system-wide functions using the ODE’s six (6) district standards: 1. Leadership, 2. Governance, 3. Communication 4. Curriculum 5. Instruction 6. Student support and fiscal management. Dr. Franklin provided documentation to which she referred to during the presentation, 2016-2019 YCSD Strategic Plan, Executive Summary. (Refer to meeting materials).

Discussion continued with ADC members regarding the ODE Review with support that the district continue to work with the ODE. It was commended that the ODE, Mr. Mohip and his staff have continually been in communication, collaboration and supportive of the network opportunities through the ODE. She also noted that Mr. Mohip had the choice for the district review to be done and he chose to have the review done. She stated that since she been in contact with the Youngstown district since 2014, she has seen great growth in different aspects within the district. Dr. Richard thanked Dr. Franklin for the comprehensive report provided to the district.

Mr. Mohip followed up with comments regarding the ODE review. He thanked the ODE and public for attending the meeting. He stated that he chose to have the review done because he wanted transparency of what was happening in the district to recognize the strengths and weaknesses. He explained that there also needs to a celebration of the growth within the district and that it is still in transformation. He provided priorities in alignment with the strategic plan. Overall, he was impressed with the direction the district is going and he thanked the teachers and administrators for their hard work. He expressed the need for the community to come together to push forward for the progress of the children and stop blaming others. What we should all ask of ourselves is what we can do as a comprehensive unit to move the district forward for the success of public education.

BRIEF DISCUSSION OF THE ADC

Dr. Richard expressed to the ADC members that he wanted to begin the planning for the summer months to have scheduled comprehensive work sessions. Also, to look through the ODE review to set priorities of what the ADC would like to review in the upcoming work sessions. He expressed that we have to move forward together and he also stated that it is important for the district to get the standards, curriculum, instruction, and assessment done correctly. Dr. Franklin made the comment that after a review is completed, that it is never expected for the district to address the recommendation is one (1) year. Mr. Mohip shared that we wanted to share with the ADC members the various aspects of documentation and plans that may have not been included in the review during the work sessions.

ADJOURNMENT: Approximately 10:40 a.m.

Motion by: Maria Hoffmaster *Seconded by:* Vincent Shivers

Roll Call Vote:

Maria Hoffmaster	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	_____
Dr. John Richard	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	_____
Nicholas Santucci	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	_____
Vincent Shivers	Yes	<u> x </u>	No	_____