

Date: August 16, 2017

Location: OCS Lower School 2nd F

In Attendance: Dimitri Dandolos, Michael Kirifides, Mike Klezaras, Elias Rigas, Tami Soltow, Dr. Nick Manolakos (Headmaster)

Absent: Laura Thompson, Abigail LeGrow, George Hantzandreou, Joe Wolcott

Guests: Kim Wolanski, Karen Thorpe, Renee Ickes, Ashley Sorenson, Dr. Paul Walmsley, Denise Parks

Meeting opened at 7:13

1. Call to Order at 7:13 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Standard Order of Business
 - Review and Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes
 - o Minutes approved as corrected
 - o Michael L. Kirifides 1st and Elias Rigas 2nd the motion – All approved
 - Monthly Financial Review
 - o After review of the Financials, thought was to postpone the posting and recording of the July and August financials because of the number of Board members absent and the State budget concerns.
 - o Motion to postpone Michael L. Kirifides 1st and Mike Klezaras 2nd, all approved
 - School Operations Update by Dr. Nick Manolakos
 - New team members introduced
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 - o Dean of Lower School, Dr. Paul Warmesley
 - Student Advisor, Kim Baltz
 - o Dean of Middle -High School Ashley Sorenson
 - o Supervisor of Special Services- Renee Ickes
 - o Executive Chef- Rodney Orr
 - o Director of Food Services- Kim Wolanski
 - o Lower School Counselor- Abby Robinson
 - o Intermediate School Counselor- Courtney Papanicholas
 - Dr Nick reviewed the new school names to be used to avoid confusion
 - o Intermediate School, Middle High School, Lower School
 - Over 40 new staff members with a total 147 employees
 - Sneak a Peak Program
 - o Open for ½ hour
 - o For Elementary students- parents please do not bring all materials from the Supply List
 - September 13th Open House from 5:30 to 7 for grades K,4,6,7,8
 - o There will be 2 open houses due to our growing school community.

- September 14th Open House from 5:30 to 7 for grades 1,2,3,5,9,10
- Transportation Issues- Evan Winokur will continue as the Transportation Administrator.
 - o Trip Spark and Emergency Line will be used.
 - o 8:00 drop off time with First Student
- Fall Sport sign ups are open
- State Test Scores
 - o Dr Nick will provide a presentation for the Board at the September meeting. Our school progress is continuing.
- Dr. Nick and Denise Parks are working on a School Improvement Plan to present at a later Board meeting.
- Facilities- Dimitri to discuss later at this meeting.
- Website- Administration is meeting with a number of companies to redesign the website. If anyone in the school community is interested in meeting with the company to update the website, please email Dr. Nick Manolakos
- Early Childhood Education Center Update
 - Financial and Curriculum Models for the ECE Center
 - Financials- creation of a non-profit that will run the ECE. After talking with counsel the best approach suggested is to have AHEPA create another organization to run those affairs.
 - o Dimitri is presenting the model to AHEPA tomorrow night.
 - o By-laws of ECE to be determined with a committee made up of the school community, Rodel, AHEPA, University of Delaware, etc.
 - o Once the document is finalized it will be available to the school community and to take to foundations to raise funds.
 - o Michael L. Kirifides told the newer staff about the history of AHEPA.
 - o Non-profit entity established for fundraising does not solicit money for OCS. It will not compete against OCS and will only solicit money for the ECE.
 - Did we incorporate a non-profit entity → no because upon further discussions it was determined to incorporate it through AHEPA.
 - o Thus another entity will not preclude OCS from applying to Longwood for other grants in 2 years.
- Headmaster Evaluation Report
 - Presented by Dr. Nick Manolakos
 - Each Board Member given a binder with all the information as both teachers and administrators are to be evaluated pursuant to the Board of Education criteria.
 - Due by the end of the September Board meeting.
 - Rubrics are used and evidence given for effectiveness.
- PTO Report from Board Representative
 - 9/8 or 9/9 Family Fun Night here at Odyssey- similar to last year's Sneak a Peak- its still in the planning stages.
 - AHEPA and PTO Board will be meeting to discuss the 5K.
- Faculty Report from Board Representative

- Teachers will be coming to school next week for their summer work.
- 23rd is the New Teacher Orientation
- Timeline is for the 30th all classrooms must be accessible for teachers and the Sneak a Peak.
- Accents Walls painted in the Lower School- a Santorini Blue
- Concern over campus landscaping. Looking into using the PTO Campus Beautification funds.
- Strategic Plan Committee Reports- no reports
- New Business
 - Official extension of Riccardo's contract as a consultant
 - Contract signed on file is the same for new contract of 6 months, rates and scope of work are the same.
 - Working with investors, Early Childhood Education Center and Karen Thorpe. There is a budgeted amount for him. He will not be working with the food service nor with bus issues as that is taken over by Dr. Nick Manolakos
 - Can it be approved with a simple majority? Dimitri believes so.
 - Motion made to extend contract for 6 months at the same compensation rate. Motion 1st Mike L. Kirifides, 2nd Mike Klezaras- all approved.
- 4. Good of the School
 - St. Thomas will be shutting their doors and are developing strategy to end the contract by negotiating the final payment on the contract.
- 5. Announcements/Public Comments
- 6. Adjourn
 - a. Motion Michael L. 1st,
 - b. 2nd Elias
 - c. 8:53 Adjournment