



Meeting Minutes for Public Meeting of the Odyssey Board of Directors

Date: June 24, 2020

Location: Zoom and teleconference

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In Attendance: President Elias Rigas (ER), Vice President Erin Allard (EA), Treasurer George Hantzandreu (GH), Secretary Alisa Moen (AM), Anamaria Anagnostou (AA), Rodrigo Torres (RT), Sandra Johnson (SJ), Eva Jannelli (EJ), Maryann Yarram (MY), Ken Pryzwara (KP), Georgia Halakos (GH1)

Minutes Taken By: AM and MY

Start Time: 6:03 PM

Agenda¹

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Standard Order of Business
 - Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes
 - Motion to approve May 20th and May 27th minutes
 - All in favor – approved.
 - Student staff and achievement
 - Denise acknowledged the HS staff and faculty as they guided them through the graduation
 - Everyone had an unusual but a successful school year
 - Sanford Award recognizes 51 excellent teachers in the United States. Odyssey's Melissa Tracy received this year's award for the State of Delaware. Ms. Tracy goes on to compete on a National level and the winners will be announced at the end of the summer. Congratulations!
4. Public Comments
 - None
5. Monthly Financial Review - Presented by Jeff Koss
 - Monthly report to be posted on the website:
 - Report approved unanimously (EA – 1st; AM – 2nd)
6. Head of School Report:
 - Ashley Sorenson:

¹ All agenda items are potential action items for which a vote may be taken.



- OCS held inaugural graduation for our 12th graders; it was a tremendous success. The video is available on the OCS webpage.
- 61 graduates in the first OCS class of 2020
- Stephanie Beckel:
 - Summer programs:
 1. Summer work has been distributed
 2. Supply lists are also posted
 3. PTO will create supply kits that parents can purchase
 4. Summer academic assistance:
 - a. Summer intensive academic assistance will be provided in August before the next academic year begins
 - b. Re-opening working groups are working on survey questions and working on scenarios for different options; DOE reports due July 15.
- Greek Program Report – Dr. Marina Mattheoudakis
 - First grade students utilized a new Greek language learning app being developed in collaboration with the OCS and OCS faculty and students
 - On June 22nd, a widely broadcasted event hosted two of OCS first grade students and a teacher who shared their experiences with this language app with the Prime Minister of Greece
 - The students were invited by the Prime Minister of Greece to spend two weeks in Greece next year
- Campus Operations Officer report – Presented by Riccardo Stoeckicht
 - 2 vandalism incidents on the back of building 27
 - Destroyed 21 windows and 4 doors
 - Police have been informed and installed more cameras and widow breaker sensors that will trigger an alarm if anyone attempts to do it again
 - \$20,000- \$30,000 likely damage
 - B23 expansion:
 1. AIA133 agreement Commonwealth Construction Company
 2. Will launch the retrofit after the funding is released
 - IT:
 1. Aggressively moving to launch 1:1 Chromebooks for all students
 2. Looking at fundraising opportunities, the PTO and as well as leasing options
 - Reopening:
 1. Held a design team meeting for what this process might look like for OCS
 2. Creation of OCS working groups and the steering committees to oversee the strategic work
 3. 8-12 people on these committees (Deans, parents, teachers and staff)



4. Surveys will be conducted to better understand the concerns of our community
5. The State to provide guidelines by July 15.

Signage group:

- Phase one of the visual branding
 - Project our dual language mission
 - Signs will be in Greek and English
 - Internal and external signage
 - Safety and directional signage
 - RS shared a map of where these signs will be placed and sample signs
7. CBOC Report
 - Had the meeting at 5:15pm on June 24, 2020 – current budget discussed
 8. Faculty Report: EJ
 - Christina Vlastaridis welcomed a baby girl
 - Congratulations to Dr. Hrysoula Davis for obtaining her doctorate degree
 9. Community report:
 - Successful food drive that helped over 100 families in our community
 - This initiative bought us together as a community
 - Transitioned from a food drive to a food pantry
 - Families can still donate food with a long shelf life
 10. Diversity and Inclusion committee
 - Approximately 50 community member, including parents, teachers, administrators, and board members expressed interest in supporting the committee
 - Initial discussion took place June 23, 2020
 - Participants shared their concerns and voices
 - Creating subgroups and working on mission statements
 11. PTO Report by Kaija S
 - Working on a project to deliver supplies to the students on the first day of school
 - Late July or beginning of August:
 - Watch for an announcement of a socially distanced used uniform sale
 12. Committees Discussion
 - Compliance Committee report: ER
 - On May 29th, the Secretary of Education released OCS from probation
 13. Non AHEPA nominating committee:
 - ER and MY were voted to renew their terms
 - Motion passed: EA -1st and EJ – 2nd
 14. AHEPA nominating committee:



- Sandra Johnson and GH are stepping down at the end of their terms at the end of June
- Valerie Caras and Helen Anderson are the two new AHEPA board members – Welcome!

15. Search Committee

- EA: The school has engaged K12 firm to assist in HOS search
- Posted an opening for an interim HoS
- Search committee meets weekly
- Discussion on Committees
- Fundraising/Grant Writing committee
 - Rolling out donors choose
 - Excellent parent participation – watch for Donor Choose projects and support our teachers
- Communications:
 - Working to streamline communications with our community
- Immersion Implementation
 - Target for a meeting in the next week or 10 days.

16. Good of the School

7:28: GH: Motion to go into executive session;

Move to Executive Session:

Discussion of litigation and real estate transaction

Move to leave executive session 7:30pm AM – 1st, EA – 2nd, all in favor -passed

Meeting adjourned.

Moved back to public session:

Voted on:

- Motion to approve DP's separation agreement and terms – unanimously passed
- Motion to approve RS at-will employment – unanimously passed