

Minutes for Public Meeting of the Odyssey Board of Directors

Date: April 27, 2022

Location: Odyssey Conference Room and Teleconference

Start Time: Public Meeting at 6:05 PM (live and via zoom, see below invite)

Attendance: President Elias Rigas (ER), Treasurer Erin Allard (EA), Recording Secretary Ken Przywara (KP), Paul Brooks (PB), Valerie Caras (VC), Eva Jannelli (EJ), Kristin Turner (KT), Jessica Inskeep (JI)

Agenda¹

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Standard Order of Business
 - Previous minutes March 16th presented
 - **Motion** to Approve minutes as amended AA 1st and EJ 2nd
 - Approved unanimously
 - Public Comments – Val Caras
 - none
 - Head of School Report – Elias Pappas (from Greece)
 - Covid update – Please don't send a sick child to school.
 - Covid Update
 - a. Quidel testing will continue in May with one building at a time
 - b. Zero positive cases since Spring Break
 - Culture update
 - a. New Family BBQ on May 12th
 - b. Chat and Chews have been successful so far
 - c. All cultural PCLs have been completed for the year
 - Lower School
 - a. 2nd Grade class trip to Plumpton Park Zoo on May 6th
 - b. Annual BeSmart Child Abuse Prevention Program will begin in May, so look for communications on that
 - c. Kindergarten graduation will be June 7th
 - Intermediate school
 - a. Plastic film collection week is this week
 - b. Standardized Testing grades 3-5 will be May 3rd, 4th, and 5th
 - c. 5th Grade Band Concert will be May 17th
 - d. Field Day will be May 20th
 - e. 5th Grade Graduation will be June 6th
 - f. School tours continue on Wednesdays

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



- Middle school
 - a. Standardized testing will be May 10th-12th
 - b. Business Professionals of America members attended BPA/JP Morgan Chase Day on April 14th. Presenting, networking, and discuss career options. BPA Nationals will be in Texas in May.
 - c. Spring Fling on May 13th
 - d. Field trip to the Philadelphia Art Museum on May 16th
 - e. Book Club field trip to Dover on May 17th
 - f. JA Finance Park field trip on May 20th
- High school
 - a. College acceptances continue to roll in, 50 universities in 22 states
 - b. Course selections for next year have been completed
 - c. Prom tickets for sale soon, Prom Closet is open with dresses, suits, and formal wear
 - d. Graduation will be June 4th
 - e. School choice process continues, looking forward to the largest class of 9th graders yet
 - f. OCS HS teacher Melissa Tracy won The Society of Women Environmental Professionals grant to support Girls Go Green
 - g. TSA Award Ceremony our students won 14 awards in 6 events! They will travel to the National Conference in Dallas, June 26-30
 - h. HS Field Trip to Dorney Park on May 20th
- Enrollment for year 2022-23
 - a. We are registering new students, with 60 new students to our High School. 9th grade could be 130 students.
- Curriculum Instruction Assessment CIA
 - a. Budgets are being reviewed
 - b. 95% of our LS students participated in our Glow party to celebrate Word Walls to raise parental awareness of ways to collaborate with the teachers to help accelerate learning to read
 - c. Placement assessments will take place this summer
 - d. Staff participated in training with LAIRP on Positive Behavioral Systems.
 - e. 1:1 SEL Teacher and Administrator monthly check-in continue
 - f. SATs and PSAT completed, AP testing is next
 - g. Teacher of the Year has 70 educators nominated
- Transportation
 - a. March our fleet ran at 100% on-time
 - b. Total of 950 routes



- Student Services
 - a. The ELL department is piloting the Lexia English program which is an adaptive blended learning program
 - b. Summer Learning Leap invitations will be out the end of May
 - c. Parent Council for students with disabilities will meet May 11th. Working on summer programming
 - Information Technology
 - a. Upgrading to Blackboard Mass Notification continues
 - b. Still waiting on 92 Chromebooks that are backordered
 - Facilities
 - a. Scoreboard delivery is pending
 - b. HVAC systems are online or scheduled for maintenance
 - Fundraising
 - a. Brick fundraiser will be relaunched
 - b. Quarterly newsletter is being developed to keep the community aware of status of fundraising
 - c. Corporate sponsorship appeal work is underway
 - Human Resources
 - a. Actively recruiting for next year
 - Greek Program – Dr. Ioanna Lekkakou
 - Actively recruiting teachers from the US and Greece.
 - Ellinomatheia Exam on May 23,24
 - Greek department will help the students show case their Greek skills during the graduation ceremonies.
 - Kangaroo Math Competition included 50 students with winners in 2, 3 and 4th grades
 - Financial Review – Jeff Koss
 - Monthly finance report
 - Final budget revenues of \$38,001,999, with 97.6% collected
 - \$106,000 in a grant funds for special education needs
 - OCS Golf Outing is filling fast, please register
 - **Motion** to approve monthly budget report as presented. AA 1st and EA 2nd
 - Approved unanimously
 - CBOC – Jeff Koss
 - Meets next month
4. Committee Reports
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Eva Jannelli
 - An LGBTQ+ workshop was held on April 5th to educate, empower, and support our community so everyone can feel welcome, safe, and accepted



- Immersion – Annamarie Anagnostou
 - Focusing on finding the best teachers for the next school year
 - Meetings continue and all are welcome for questions and to exchange ideas
 - Immersion intervention program to assist students struggling
 - Fundraising – Georgia Halakos
 - No new
 - Finance Committee – Erin Allard
 - Met with advisors regarding finance as we look at strategic planning and our long term needs
 - PTO Report –
 - None
 - New Business
 - Jeff Koss - Discussion about our Minor Modification regarding growth, planning, and enrollment numbers. Approval remains pending, but expected May 3rd. Ran through some iterations of growth per grade, with bumps in K, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Board had approved projected enrollment totals, but not grade level details.
 - **Motion** to approve out-of-state travel as mentioned in the Head of School report. PB 1st and EJ 2nd
 - Approved unanimously
5. Motion to move to Executive Session KP 1st and EJ 2nd 6:45 PM
- Potential Executive Session topics
 - Discussion of potential real estate transaction – 29 Del. C. § 10004(b)(2)
 - Discussion regarding qualifications for job – 29 Del. C. § 10004(b)(1)
6. Return to Public Session – 7:40
7. Adjourn EA 1st and PB 2nd
- 7:40 PM



NOTE: These Agenda Items may not be considered in sequence. Pursuant to 29 *Del. C. § 10004(e)(2)*, this Agenda may be changed to include additional items, including executive sessions, or to delete items that arise at the time of the meeting.

Initial Agenda Posted: April 7, 2022 at www.odysseycharterschooldel.com/

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Topic: OCS Monthly Board Meeting - Public Session

Time: April 26, 2022 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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