

OCS Public Board Meeting Minutes

Date Sep 17, 2025

Location Odyssey Conference Room and Teleconference

Start Time: Public Meeting at 6:00pm Eastern Standard Time (live and via zoom, see invite below)

Attendance: Present: President Ken Przywara (KP), Vice President Georgia Kollias (GK), Secretary Bridget Davis (BD), Joel Porter (JP), Eva Jannelli (EJ), Costas Fountzoulas (CF), Dimitri Dandolos (DD), Valerie Caras (VC)

Absent: Kristen Turner (KT), Dimitri Karakasidis (DK)

Agenda

- Call to order
 - Time: 06:03 pm
 - Initials: KP
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Standard Order of Business
 - Public Comments: none
 - Previous Minutes for August 20th and August 28th
 - Motion to approve minutes as presented for the meeting on (insert date)
 - (JP) 1st and (CF)2nd
 - Approved unanimously
 - Head of School Report- presented by Elias Pappas
 - School-wide Goal #1: Project updates and approvals, building 27 ground floor completion, grand opening, first day opening
 - Grand opening of building 27 is scheduled for September 18th
 - School-wide Goal #2: Beginning of the year PD, logistics
 - School-wide Goal #3: Enrollment targets, class lists, planning for 26 enrollment: Open House, Recruiting, Step Up Days, Data Analysis from 2025 trends, Adjustments
 - School-wide Goal #4: Culture Plans and Academic Goal Setting
 - Building level Updates- presented by Juliana Sheehan
 - Academics: Beginning of year building level check-ins and preparation
 - Behavior: Beginning of year positive behavior supports
 - Upcoming events
 - CIA- presented by Juliana Sheehan
 - Professional Development
 - October 10th State-wide PD day
 - October 20th PD day



- Instruction
 - DTGSS Goal Setting with staff will take place before October 15th
- Assessment
 - Testing schedules made for the year
- Transportation Report- presented by Josh Baran
 - Professional Development
 - October 10th: The State of Delaware School Bus Roadeo safety competition
 - Planning for 26/27 SY
 - Meeting with the Business Office and the bus dealership to spec out our buses
- Special Education- presented by Jackie McCutchon
 - Standards-Aligned IEP Initiative with University of Delaware's Technical Assistance Team
 - Special Education Coach and Coordinators
- IT Report- presented by Elias Pappas
 - Updating front office front door intercom software
- HR Report- presented by Renee Beamer
 - First Pay of FY26: 9/16/2025; all system updates completed
- Facilities Report- presented by Elias Pappas
 - Shout out to facilities for successfully supporting the grand opening of our new building
 - Focus on individual building needs
- Food Services Report- presented by Elias Pappas
 - Catering of immersion school roundtable
 - Focusing on smooth distribution of breakfast and lunch
- Fundraising and Development- presented by Jackie McCutchon
 - Marketing/Events
 - Grants
 - Recognition
 - Enrollment- shared breakdown per building (2,424 students total)
- Safety and Security- presented by Jackie McCutchon
 - Safety and Security grant funds for new vestibule doors
- Board Approvals
 - Out of state travel
 - Motion to approve OOS as presented
 - (EJ) 1st (BD) 2nd
 - Approved unanimously
- Greek Program Report- presented by Ioanna Lekkakou
 - Presented Ellinomatheia results
- Financial Report- presented by Debra Wishnow
 - Follow-up on cost analysis (requested by board members in August 20th meeting)
 - Response is that it has been started and is a lengthy process that will continue
 - Monthly Finance Report including Web Report
 - Motion to approve Finance Web Report as presented



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- (JP) 1st (EJ) 2nd
 - Approved unanimously
- Good of the School
 - Amazing turn out of volunteers for Building 27 Move-in
- Motion to adjourn- (CF) 1st and (BD) 2nd
 - Approved unanimously
 - Meeting adjourned at 07:14 pm

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