DMA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 02/01/2016 (rescheduled from 01/25/2016 due to inclement weather)

Start Time: 1800 Eastern

Meeting Duration: 1 hours 15 minutes

Adjourn Time: 1915 Eastern

Present: Victoria Alexitch, Brad Bugher, Tony Bariglio, Kimberly Bryson, Ed Capodanno, Don Fulton, Sharon Kurfuerst, Doug Hershman, Dave Geiger, Joseph Yacyshyn, David Call, Anthony Pullella, Ken Gatson

Excused: Bob Hill, Dennis Rochford, Al DiEmedio, John DiEleuterio

Guests: Michael Scarborough

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	 Meeting was called to order by Chairman Capodanno at 1800 Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence observed 	None required
• Secretary's Report	 Minutes reviewed; Secretary Kurfuerst requested a motion to approve the minutes of the November Board Meeting that were unable to be approved in December due to lack of a quorum: Motion to approve: Fulton Second: Yacyshyn Additional discussion: None Vote: Unanimous approval Minutes reviewed; Secretary Kurfuerst requested a motion to approve the minutes of the December Board Meeting: Motion to approve: Fulton Second: Bariglio Additional discussion: None Vote: Unanimous approval 	None required
Departmental Report – Social Studies	Written report reviewed by Mr.Scarborough, Social Studies Department Chair; highlights	None required

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	included: Department has 4 members total; several seasoned faculty members Goals focusing on instructing students in history skills such as critical thinking, primary source analysis, basic economics, writing, using historical evidence, and understanding current events Overview of grade-by-grade curriculum provided First Model UN competition being developed for DMA out of this department Would like to consider eventually adding another AP class Number one priority is that the department needs consistent Internet connectivity and hardware upgrades as well as IT support for technology issues; bandwidth is a consistent problem related to access and a frustration for teachers and students alike Challenges: time, space, and technology with technology being the most challenging	
Chairman's Report	 Chairman Capodanno solicited suggestions on how to improve consistent attendance at Board Meetings; Board agreed moving to a 6:00 pm start time would be valuable Discussion was held regarding using Chuck Baldwin as a military connection for the capital campaign; Baldwin would focus on the military and work with Ms. Bryson to raise funds from that area Suggestion was made by Mr. Yacyshyn for the Fund Development Committee to also reach out 	 Secretary Kurfuerst to send reminder of new start time to all Board members and to update meeting planners Chairman Capodanno to reach out to Robert Clark

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	to Robert Clark, President of Wesley College, who is the past Superintendent of the Naval	
	Academy as a potential donor or supporter of	
G 1 12 P	the capital campaign	N
• Commandant's Report	 Commandant Pullella reviewed his report including the following highlights: Interviews are being conducted for incoming Freshman with an all-time high number of interviewees There was a joint meeting on 1/22/16 with Wohlsen, McCoy, and Landmark regarding the building project Select staff members received training from the NCCPD regarding school safety at DMA Meeting with Bill Riley of Assurance Media to discuss an upgrade to the network and to possibly increase bandwidth to improve technology access Several meetings planned to discuss a strategic plan to strengthen SAT scores with a goal of being 3rd in the State Girls volleyball team was honored at Legislative Hall for their State Championship win There is much work effort going into the capital campaign Legal files have been moved from Bayard to Cooch and Taylor 	None required
Treasurer's Report	 Treasurer Alexitch provided the monthly report. Highlights include: Budget is 47% for this point in the fiscal year versus planned costs of 47%; budget is clean; local funds are good 	• Mr. Gatson to reach out to Barbacane- Thornton for participation in State audit on 2/10/16

	 Property tax erroneously paid has been refunded - \$8,000 and will be reflected in the February financial statement Annual call with S&P was on 1/27/16; current rating is BBB-; new rating due in about 2 weeks; not expected to change much Site visit planned from Division of Accounting for an internal controls review on 2/4/16 On 2/10/16 a State audit will be held for unit counts and general auditing purposes; suggestion made to include Barbacane-Thornton Treasurer Alexitch requested a motion to approve the November budget and financials that could not be voted on in December due to lack of a quorum: Motion to approve: Kurfuerst Second: Fulton Additional discussion: None Vote: Unanimous approval Treasurer Alexitch requested a motion to approve the December budget and financials: Motion to approve: Hershman Second: Fulton Additional discussion: None Motion to approve: Hershman Second: Fulton Additional discussion: None 	
	Vote: Unanimous approval	
Governance Committee	 Redlined by-laws reviewed Mr. Hershman requested a motion to approve the by-laws changes as marked: Motion to approve: Fulton Second: Yacyshyn Additional discussion: None Vote: Unanimous approval The Governance Committee will begin a full 	None required

	review of the by-laws in late February	
Finance Committee	Combined as above with Treasurer's Report	None required
• Academic Excellence Committee	• None	None required
 Citizen Budget Oversight Committee 	Report combined with Treasurer's report	None required
 Fundraising Development Committee 	 Ongoing work on the capital campaign continues Leadership wish list distributed and discussed Suggestions for Honorary Chairs were discussed 	None required
New Business	• None	None required
Old Business	• None	None required
Additional Items from the Floor	• None	None required
Next Board Meeting	• The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 22nd at 6:00 pm at DMA	None required
Adjournment	Hearing no additional business, Chairman Capodanno adjourned the meeting	None required

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Kurfuerst