DMA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 05/23/2016 **Start Time:** 1800 Eastern

Meeting Duration: 1 hours 05 minutes **Adjourn Time:** 1905 **Eastern**

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

Excused: Bob Hill, Dennis Rochford, John DiEleuterio

Guests: Deb Certesio, Bethany Melo

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
• Call to Order	 Meeting was called to order by Chairman Capodanno at 1800 Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence observed Commandant Pullella introduced guest Bethany Melo who is a DMA alum and is exploring the possibility of joining the DMA Board 	None required
Secretary's Report	 Minutes reviewed; Secretary Kurfuerst requested a motion to approve the minutes of the April Board Meeting: Motion to approve: Bugher Second: Alexitch Additional discussion: None Vote: Unanimous approval 	None required
Departmental Report – Middle States Accreditation Update/Administration	 Written report reviewed by Mrs. Certesio. Highlights included:	None required

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	DCAS scores (now obsolete); increase SAT average best superscore with a goal of an average score of 1100 (this year's average was 1000) Additional discussion was held regarding current academic programming, ideas for future programming, and the need for ongoing monitoring of academic outcomes; the Academic Excellence and Leadership Achievement Committee will have ownership over this monitoring for the Board	
Chairman's Report	 Chairman Capodanno reviewed the timeline for construction on the new building and factors affecting solidifying the loan with Beneficial National Bank The June Board Meeting will be the last meeting until September; the focus of the June Board Meeting will be on fund development/capital campaign 	None required
Commandant's Report	 Commandant Pullella reviewed his report including the following highlights: This year's graduation will be the first time a Valedictorian is named; this was a suggestion by the PTA Beneficial Bank will conduct a site visit on 5/18/16 The capital campaign brochure is ready and will go to print on 5/23/16 New cadet orientation was held on 5/9/16; there are 156 new Freshman cadets; space for incoming sophomores is being explored Work is being done to consolidate minor cap repairs to be completed in the summer 	None required

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	 A sponsor for hats for the golf tournament is needed Two new staff have been hired – one is a replacement for Mrs. Jardine – her replacement is coming from Appoquinimink; the second is a replacement for Mrs. Brizindine – her replacement is coming from Dickinson Justice Ridgely toured DMA and made a \$500 donation to the capital campaign 	
• Treasurer's Report	 Treasurer Alexitch provided the monthly report. Highlights include: Budget is on target for this point in the fiscal year; at 78.8% of budget target which is 83.33% so well under budget for the year Several audits have occurred within the last several months including by the Division of Accounting and the Auditor's Office; no issues have been noted on any of the audits Treasurer Alexitch requested a motion to approve the April budget and financials: Motion to approve: Fulton Second: Bariglio Additional discussion: None 	None required
Governance Committee	 Vote: Unanimous approval Proposed slate of candidates for new Board positions as well as Board officers is in final development in anticipation of June Board meeting vote Bylaws were discussed regarding Board members who miss meetings with unexcused absences 	New Board member slate and slate of Board officers to be presented for vote at the June Board meeting.
Finance Committee	Combined as above with Treasurer's Report	None required
Academic Excellence Committee	No updates.	None required
Citizen Budget Oversight Committee	Report combined with Treasurer's report	None required

Fundraising Development Committee	Report deferred for this month.	None required
New Business	Mr. Fulton inquired about the former career speaker program and discussion was held regarding possibly re-instating the program in a modified version; Board members with ideas regarding how to improve this program should reach out to Master Chief Call	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, June 27th at 6:00 pm at DMA	None required
Adjournment	Hearing no additional business, Chairman Capodanno adjourned the meeting and moved the Board into Executive Session.	None required

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Kurfuerst