

DMA Board Meeting Minutes
Date: 2/26/2018
Start Time: 17:58 hours
Adjourn Time: 19:05 hours Eastern
Meeting Duration: 67 minutes

Present: Tony Bariglio, Ed Capodanno, Gerard Clodomir, Al Di Emedio, Kenneth Gatson, Heath Kahrs, Sharon Kurfuerst, Anthony Pullella, Ashley Urquhart, Joseph Yacyshyn, David Call, Dave Geiger

Excused: Victoria Alexitch, Christy Bugher, Kimberly Bryson, Bob Hill

Guests: Anne Fabian – Senior Mathematics Teacher; Valerie Lamminia and Brett Townsend, Mathematics Department
Tatiana Rice; Debra Certesio

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
○ Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The February DMA Board meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Capodanno at 17:58 hours. ○ The Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence were observed. 	○ None required
○ Secretary's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The January Minutes were distributed for review prior to the meeting and no corrections, additions or deletions were presented. A call for a motion to approve was made by Chairman Capodanno: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve the January Minutes: ○ T. Bariglio ○ Second: J. Yacyshyn ○ Vote: Unanimous approval 	○ None required
○ Departmental Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Members of the DMA Mathematics Department, led by Senior Mathematics Teacher, Ann Fabian, and supported by colleagues, Valerie Laminia and Bret Townsend, presented a status report of their department. Fabian's report included the following: 	○ None

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ detail of credentials and experience of department members, including involvement with the NCTM and DCTM, mathematics teachers’ professional organizations; ▪ detail of the DMA mathematics curriculum and statement of the goal for mathematics alignment – scope and sequence – through the mathematics program with inclusion of Common Core State Standards; ▪ shared the concern of the mathematics “gaps” realized as a result of 9th grade students coming from many different schools, and the efforts made to address this issue; ▪ details of class sizes advancing through the program with larger class sizes at the lower grades (25-33), and smaller class sizes at the upper grades (13-15); ▪ involvement with the Dual Enrollment Program and with a stated goal of increasing such over time, as well as increasing and rigorous challenges for mathematics students; and, ▪ the need for additional professional development for the DMA mathematics staff. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fabian shared the need for additional graphing calculators/computers and, after a brief discussion of cost and need, several board members – Capodanno, Bariglio - pledged financial assistance enabling the purchase of 20 graphing calculators/computers! ○ Fabian thanked the Board for their continued support of the Mathematics Department. 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chairman’s Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Following the Mathematics Department Report, Chairman Capodanno shared the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ as a result of the scheduled DMA Ring Ceremony on March 26, 2018 at 6:00 pm, which conflicts with the regular Board meeting, Capodanno indicated that the March Board meeting would begin at 5:00 pm; ○ with S. Kurfuerst, discussed DMA Board Members Terms of Office confirming vacancies at the Vice-Chair and Treasurer positions; made a “call” for members for the Governance Committee; and, the need to fill a Board vacancy with someone knowledgeable in fundraising and marketing. G. Clodomir and H. Kahrs volunteered assistance in discussing and filling these vacancies. ○ Chairman Capodanno alerted members to upcoming events and encouraged Board participation. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commandant’s Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commandant Pullella reviewed his written report which was distributed to Board members for information and review. The following items are of note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ one hundred eighty-three (183) offers have been sent to form the Class of 2022 with 266 applicants being “wait-listed”; ○ a response to the ADA compliance issues has been submitted to the DE DOE with feedback being anticipated but with the understanding that many items would not be reasonably resolved, such as “widening hallways” as an example; ○ an anticipated meeting with the Red Clay Consolidated School District to discuss DMA “preference for enrollment”; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ continued discussion with principal parties relative to the stadium, Banning Park, Callow Hill transition, McDonald Foundation, as well as a meeting with There du Pont; ○ Class of '18 has received in excess of \$11M in scholarships. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Treasurer's Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ K. Gatson – in V. Alexitch's absence - provided the following report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Projected budget at 58.33%, with 58.8% actually spent and no expense concerns. Backing out debt evidences 53.9% actually spent. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion to approve the February Treasurer's Report: J. Yacyshyn ▪ Second: T. Bariglio ▪ Vote: Unanimous approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finance Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ K. Gatson shared the following information relative to the Finance Committee meeting of Monday, February 12, 2018: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ confirmed that the transition from Fairmont to Callow Hill was proceeding smoothly; ○ confirmed that the Annual Investor Call went smoothly; ○ indicated that all year-end funds – state money and grants – would be expended by the expected due dates; ○ shared that minor cap items were being discussed and being prioritized; ○ shared interest information relative to USDA as it related to the Dome and information related to re-financing of the debt for the existing property and having the rate “locked in.” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Governance Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Academic Excellence Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A. Urquhart shared highlights of the Academic Excellence Committee meeting of Thursday, January 25, 2018 (included). The Report addressed two areas: Evaluation of New Programs and Curriculum, and Update on Middle States Accreditation. In the former, Urquhart presented information on Dual Enrollment, Advanced Placement, STEM, and the Journalism and Business Career Pathways, as well as a review of PSAT / SAT and AP data. In the latter, Urquhart shared information on a midterm review of Middle States recommendations received from the last visit. ○ Urquhart confirmed a subsequent Academic Excellence meeting to be held on February 28 for a discussion of increasing enrollment at DMA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fund Development Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alumni Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ N/A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional Items from the Floor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next Board Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 26, 2018 at 17:00 hours. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adjournment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hearing no additional business, Chairman Capodanno called for a motion to adjourn the regular DMA Board meeting at 18:51 hours to convene an Executive Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: J. Yacyshyn ○ Second: T. Bariglio ○ Vote: Unanimous approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Chairman Capodanno called for a motion to adjourn the Executive Session at 19:04 hours and return to the regular Board meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: S. Kurfuerst ○ Second: H. Kahrs ○ Vote: Unanimous approval ○ Hearing no additional business, Chairman Capodanno called for a motion to adjourn the regular DMA Board meeting at 19:05 hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: J. Yacyshyn ○ Second: S. Kurfuerst ○ Vote: Unanimous approval 	

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfred D. Di Fmedio