

DMA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 4/27/2020

Start Time: 18:03 hours

Adjourn Time: 18:45 hours

Meeting Duration: 42 minutes

Present: Victoria Alexitch, Tony Bariglio, Mike Berardi, David Call, Ed Capodanno, Al Di Emedio, Kristen Doughty, Ken Gatson, Bob Hill, Mike Hoffman, Sharon Kurfuerst, Anthony Manerchia, Dominick Papa, Anthony Pullella, General Frank Vavala, Jessica Wolfe

Absent: Heath Kahrs

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
○ Call to Order	○ Chairperson Kurfuerst called the April DMA Board meeting to order at 18:03 hours, thanked all for their virtual attendance, and proceeded to ask that the Secretary's Report be presented.	○ None required
○ Secretary's Report	○ The February Minutes were distributed for review prior to the meeting, hearing no corrections, Chairperson Kurfuerst called for a motion to approve the Minutes as presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Motion to approve the February Minutes:○ T. Bariglio○ D. Papa○ Vote: Affirmative	○ None required
○ Chairperson's Report	○ Chairperson Kurfuerst commended Commandant Pullella and K. Gatson for the tremendous work they had been doing under unprecedented circumstances. She recognized the myriad issues being discussed, most important of which pertained to Senior Cadets and their parents and including prom, awards, and graduation. ○ Chairperson Kurfuerst called for Commandant Pullella to present the April Commandant's Report.	
○ Commandant's Report	○ Commandant Pullella proceeded to highlight several items from an extremely informative Commandant's Written Report for the April	○

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	<p>Board Meeting and distributed prior to the meeting. Items included: 1) cancellation of many of the regularly scheduled end of the year events and ceremonies but continuing discussion of virtual commencement options; 2) continuing provision of virtual educational experiences for the cadets; and, with the recent purchase of 600 chrome books, the positive impact on staff and cadets in having to work virtually as a result of COVID-19; and, 3) freshmen orientation options as well as fall planning related to masks and social distancing. Commandant Pullella indicated that DMA Faculty and Staff had received tremendous positive feedback relative to the comprehensive manner with which DMA was addressing all issues created by COVID-19. Administration, Faculty, Staff, and the entire Cadet Corps is to be commended for the manner with which they have accommodated changes and anticipated changes, at a great personal cost.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commandant Pullella confirmed the employment of two science teachers, a biology teacher and a physics teacher, as well as a new custodian and the promotion of Shawn McGee to Facilities Manager. ○ Board members are encouraged to read the Commandant's Report if they have not had an opportunity to do so. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Treasurer's Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In the absence of H. Kahrs, K. Gatson presented the Treasurer's Report and indicated that there were no concerns. ○ A question was posed relative to the impact of COVID-19 on the DMA budget, to which K. Gatson indicated that the budget would not be severely impacted as various budget items offset each other. Additionally, a question was raised about spring coaching salaries to which Gatson responded that coaching salaries would be addressed on an individual basis for the week and a half that practice was held as they were presented. ○ Chairperson Kurfuerst called for a motion to approve the March Treasurer's Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: ○ B. Hill 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ T. Bariglio Vote: Affirmative 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finance Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ K. Gatson shared information relative to a recent Finance Committee meeting and indicating a decision to delay an RFP for auditing services and remaining with Barbacane, Thornton & Company for FY20, given current COVID-19 conditions, and to solicit an RFP in fall 2021. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Governance Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ E. Capodanno, Governance and By-Laws Committee Chair, indicated that a slate of potential DMA Board Members would be assembled and shared with the Board at the May Board meeting. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Academic Excellence Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ N/A 	<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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New Business 	<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"> ○ N/A 	<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 will be Monday, May 25, 2020 at 18:00 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, Chairperson Kurfuerst called for a motion to adjourn the regular DMA Board meeting at 18:45 hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: E. Capodanno ○ Second: General Vavala ○ Vote: Unanimous approval 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfred D. Di Fmedio