

DMA Board Meeting Minutes
Date: December 13, 2021
Start Time: 18:02 hours
Adjourn Time: 20:22 hours
Meeting Duration: 140 minutes

Present: Tony Bariglio, Mike Berardi, Al Di Emedio, Kristen Doughty, Ken Gatson, Zane Gordy, Heath Kahrs, Jennifer McCloskey, Glenn Outten, Dominick Papa, Anthony Pullella, General Frank Vavala

Absent: Bob Hill

Guest: N/A

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
○ Call to Order	○ At 18:02 hours, Chairperson Bariglio called the December DMA Board meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairperson Bariglio called upon A. Di Emedio to present the Secretary's Report.	○ None required
○ Secretary's Report	○ The October Minutes had been distributed for review prior to the meeting. A. Di Emedio inquired about additions or deletions, there being none presented, Chairperson Bariglio called for a motion to approve the Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve the Minutes: ○ General F. Vavala ○ J. McCloskey Vote: Affirmative	○ None required
○ Chairperson's Report	○ Chairperson Bariglio shared information from the most recent Charter School Council meeting including the continuing uncertainty around COVID, the increasing number of cases occurring, and continuing hospitalizations and deaths. Additionally, he shared the general national concern related to the continuing controversy of mandatory immunizations but indicated	

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	<p>that DMA had received no feedback, positive or negative, from the DMA Community. Currently, 46 cases have been reported at DMA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chairperson Bariglio reminded Members of the Board of the training necessary for new DMA Board Members, some of whom shared the challenges involved with completion of this requirement. K. Gatson indicated that he would send reminders to those needing to satisfy this requirement. ○ Chairperson Bariglio called upon Commandant Pullella to present the Commandant's Report. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commandant's Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commandant Pullella shared the following information, at a distance, as he was exercising social distancing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ receipt of the highest number of applicants, ever, with anticipation of approximately 450 potential candidates. He also shared that early applicants receive deeper scrutiny as history has indicated these to be the most sincere and qualified about entry to DMA; ○ shared information relative to DMAs anticipated expansion and, related the convening of a Town Hall meeting seeking input from nearby community members, those most impacted with the plans; and, his intention to seek funds from foundations previously supportive of DMA; ○ shared news of the recent Academic Review Board process, conferencing with approximately 25 cadets relative to their individual academic progress and a discussion of plans to increase their academic performance; ○ informed the Board of the advent of winter sports, as well as the defeat of DMA football by eventual state champion, Archmere; ○ confirmed DMA's continuing participation in the Peril Harbor Wreaths Ceremony at the Veteran's Cemetery; 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ briefly discussed a vandalism issue – cadets doing “stupid stuff” – and current discussions with family relative to compensation for approximately \$8k in damages to 42 desks; and, ○ mentioned appreciation for services provided by the Sports’ Boosters, PTA and Music Association. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Treasurer’s Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ G. Outten presented the following Treasurer’s Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DMA is currently at 41.67% of the budget year having received 78.5% (\$6,138k) of the anticipated revenue versus 62.7% (\$4,698k) for the same 5-month period in the prior year. ○ The major factor contributing to the increase in percentage of revenue received compared to the prior year is that 67.6% of Local Funds has already been received compared to 32.5% by November 2020. ○ Expenditures are 41.1% for the 5-month period versus 42.0% for the same period in the prior year. ○ Minor capital expenditure projects caused maintenance expenses to be slightly over budget. Some allocation adjustments will be processed. Most expenses are in line with projections. ○ There are no concerns noted related to variances and explanations contained in the November financial reports. ○ Final version of the fiscal year budget was approved by the Board. ○ Additionally, it was shared, that a seven (7) member Citizen’s Oversight Committee was currently being formed with five (5) members having been identified. The Committee would function to monitor and review all transactions for compliance. Current committee members include: Commandant Pullella, K. Gatson, G. Outten with the following to be identified, a DMA parent, and a DMA Board Member. If interested, contact G. Outten. ○ Chairperson Bariglio used this moment to, again, remind DMA Board Members of their need to volunteer for various committees. 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finance Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ G. Outten presented the following Finance Committee Report from a meeting on November 8, 2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DMA’s financials with no concerns noted; ○ the status of the CBOC including drafting and circulation of documents related to membership applications and policies & guidelines, and the expectation of a committee meeting to occur within the next couple of months; ○ a discussion of a RFP for this year’s audit; and, ○ confirmation of all Board Members completing the financial responsibility training is in process. ○ There are no concerns noted related to variances and explanations. ○ Motion to approve the October and November Finance Committee Reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: ○ H. Kahrs ○ General F. Vavala <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Vote: Affirmative</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Governance Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ After discussion, and with J. McCloskey’s affirmation, it was decided that she would Chair the Alumni Committee and be part of the Governance Committee 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Academic Excellence Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ K. Doughty indicated that the Middle States Committee Report would be shared in the coming months. Additionally, she shared the name of the Teacher Representative to this Committee, Mr. Scott Green. ○ An additional Academic Excellence Committee item: after discussion, Chairperson Bariglio made a motion to approve K. Doughty as Chair of the Academic Excellence Committee and including and with support from Deans at DMA, selected cadets and General F. Vavala. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: T. Bariglio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Second: H. Kahrs Vote: Affirmative 	
<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"> ○ After discussion, a motion was made to approve the Alumni Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: General F. Vavala ○ Second: H. Kahrs Vote: Affirmative ○ After discussion, it was moved that J. McCloskey be appointed as Chair of the Alumni Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: General F. Vavala ○ Second: H. Kahrs Vote: Affirmative 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New Business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Related to the Alumni Committee above, Commandant Pullella spoke strongly relative to the proposed planning for “20 Years of Excellence” “event” beginning in September 2022. He proposed a 20-Year Reunion Committee be assembled to plan the anticipated multiplicity of events. To this end, Chairperson Bariglio volunteered to “chair” this ad hoc committee, if allowable. ○ More to be discussed on this topic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Old Business 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ J. McCloskey provided an update of the student database indicating that it had been approved as a UDE Project that will begin in February 2022. Money has been allocated to pay for this service. ○ Still to be considered and resolved, the addition of NSI Staff as Scott Green will be the DMA Teacher Representative to the Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ None required

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○ Additional Items from the Floor	○ N/A	○ None required
○ Next Board Meeting	○ The next Board meeting will be January 24, 2022, 18:00 hours.	○ None required
○ Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chairperson Bariglio called for a motion to go into Executive Session at 19:02 hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: General F. Vavala ○ Second: J. McCloskey Vote: Affirmative ○ Chairperson Bariglio called for a motion to go out of Executive Session at 20:21 hours: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: General F. Vavala ○ Second: J. McCloskey ○ Hearing no additional business, Chairperson Bariglio called for a motion to adjourn the December DMA Board meeting at 20:22 hours. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to approve: General F. Vavala ○ Second: D. Papa Vote: Affirmative 	○ None required
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Respectfully Submitted:
Alfred D. Di Emedio