

DMA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 22, 2025

Start Time: 16:00 hours

Adjourn Time: 16:46 hours

Meeting Duration: 46 minutes

Present: Helen Barbato, Don McLamb, Dan Newcott, Nicole Krajewski, Ken Gatson, Jelena Batula

Zoom: Chris Kenny, Brian Rostocki, Jennifer McCloskey

Absent: Scott Green

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
• Call to Order	• At 18:01 hours, Secretary Barbato called the September DMA Board meeting to order, following the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence. • There will be a zoom link for every agenda.	○ None required
• Public Comments	• N/A	
• Secretary's Report	• The secretary's report for June 2025 meeting distributed for approval. • First: McLamb • Second: Krajewski Vote: unanimous – approved	None Required
• Commandant's Report	ACADEMIC AND PROGRAMMATIC UPDATES: • Master academic schedule for the 2025-26 school year with add/drops are completed. • All Federal grant paperwork has been completed and approved except for the Perkins Grant and parts of the consolidated grant due to Fed hold.	• None Required

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	- September 30 headcount is underway, which is how DMA obtains state funding. - New academic day schedule has been implemented, and general reports are positive - New courses include more AP options for cadets, new Naval Science elective courses including orienteering, drone, Sailor 360, etc, new SAT prep classes for ELA and Math. All these adjustments coincide with our focus on academics this year – academic info to share. - Sports update - Football is 2-2 - Girls’ volleyball has a tough early schedule, but off to a strong start. - Girls’ field hockey and boys’ soccer are off to a winning start, which is different than last year. - Girls’ flag football played at half-time at a pre-season Eagles game. - Cross Country team boys ranked 6th out of 38 at the last meet. Girls’ Cross Country team had a female rank 15th at a recent regional event. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES: - Crystal Trust grant submitted. - Significant up-tick in the number of cadets requiring special education services. - Fully staffed to start the 2025-26 school year. Welcomed many new additions to the DMA staff this year for various reasons. JROTC Updates	

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	• Service Academy night is being held on 9/29/25. All Service Academy recruiters will be in attendance. Barclays Bank will have their Veteran group in attendance to speak to parents. • Captain Bates gave the update that Admiral Pottenberg will be visiting for the first time at DMA on October 8, 2025. The Admiral is looking forward to the visit, especially since DMA is a 100% JROTC school. • There are two field trips in October: ○ 10/10: Naval Academy visit. ○ 10/13: Phila 250 Birthday of the Navy-ships at Penn's Landing, DMA band in the parade in Philly. ○ 11/13: Veterans breakfast	
• Treasurer's Report	Treasurer's Report: Report Provided by Don McLamb Financials of 8/31/2025 • 16.6% through our Fiscal Year (2 of 12 months). • New fiscal year: 7/1/25-6/30/26 Revenue • \$4.95 million of the budget has been collected, which is 52.2% of budgeted revenue. ○ Total budget is \$9.48 million, up 8.6% from last year and up 14% from actual last year revenue. ○ State funding up 14%, which is \$658K ○ Naval funding is up 14%, which is \$40K ○ Admin fees: \$43K collected out of \$136K ○ \$4.1 million in reserves Expenses	None required

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	\$1.45 million YTD expenses have been incurred, which is 15% of budgeted expenses. - Budgeted expenses are up 2.3% from prior year. - There are no expense items with unexplained variances. - Audit is in progress and almost complete with positive comments thus far. - Waiting on the State of a couple of outstanding audit items. First: Barbato Second: Batula - Vote: unanimous – approved	
Finance Committee	Finance Committee - Plan to meet in October. Citizens Board Oversight Committee (CBOC) - Plan to meet in October and will review second quarter transactions for 2025.	None required.
Governance Committee	- The Board of Directors will have their annual meeting before the October meeting. This meeting should be held before the regular meetings start for the year. - At this meeting, members will be voted into their positions, new members will be voted in, and ad hoc committees will be established. - A teacher representative will be a part of the non-voting board. The term of this position will need to be specified.	None required.
Academic Excellence Committee	N/A	None required.

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• Ad hoc Committee	• N/A	• None required.
• Old Business	• N/A	• None required.
• New Business	• N/A	• None required.
• Next Board Meeting	The next Board meeting will be Monday, October 27, 2025.	• None required.
• Adjournment	• First: Barbato • Second: McLamb • Vote: Affirmative – Unanimous Adjourned 16:46 hours	• None required.

Respectfully Submitted /s/ *Helen Barbato*