Minutes of September 11, 2017, OMI Board Meeting


1. Meeting called to order by Board Secretary Mr. Buzz Breedlove at 3:38 P.M.

2. Board Secretary Mr. Breedlove recommended two changes to the agenda while acting as temporary Chairman in Mr. Bill Bowen’s lateral move as Chairman and agreeing to still be a part of the Board. Mr. Breedlove recommends for item 8.6 be moved to 8.5 the appointed new Board Chairman Mr. Arnold Grisham, and to discuss 8.5 the responsibilities of the Chairman.

2.A Revision/Adoption/Ordering of Agenda: Motion to approve Samuel, Second: Wire. Vote unanimous.

3. Ms. Saundra Leake addressed the Board during public session. Ms. Leake mentioned the issue of the lack of Handicap Parking being provided at OMI and would like to see Handicap Parking available for those who need it.

4. Board Secretary Mr. Buzz Breedlove presented the Election of the New Board Chairman. The Board would be approving the new appointed Chairman, Mr. Arnold Grisham. Motion to approve Clisham, Second: Wire. Vote unanimous.

5. Ms. Sally Parsons presented the Capital Expansion Plan to the Board. Ms. Parsons explains the expansion plan by detail. Board members asked to have Ms. Parsons request from Persinger Architects for a different break down of cost.

6. Mrs. Johnna Grell presented the Superintendent's Update to the board. Mrs. Grell asked Cadet MAJ Kyle Gong to begin with information about what the Cadet Leadership has been working on so far. Cadet MAJ Gong began with updates about what happened over the summer break. The California Cadet Corps (CACC) tasked him with the Commanding Summer Entrance Camp; traditionally it normally consists of only OMI Summer Camp training starting at 150-180 candidates, this year Summer Camp training was done in conjunction with the California Military Institute (CMI) with a total of 300 candidates combined from both schools with the help of over 70 staff members. The graduation rate for OMI was 85%. High School Principal Ms. Katherine DeVinna presented the LCAP and Lexile levels to the Board. Ms. DeVinna went over last year’s LCAP and explained the importance of the LCAP for those who needed to understand it. The LCAP is important because it is now a tool the state will be using to assess and evaluate, what this means for Charter Schools, us as an organization is we need to be as honest, truthful,
and self-reflective as possible. Lexile levels help staff members recognize the areas they need to improve to help cadets reach their Lexile goal: who needs more help, and who needs to be “pushed” more. Mrs. Grell announced OMI has 728 students enrolled; if OMI stays at 728 students a Winter Camp will not be needed. OMI will be participating in the Oakland Charter Enroll movement, OMI started halfway last year but did not go online with them. This year we agreed to share applications with them, it is a benefit to the school because of the advertisement it does. OUSD will be paying for SchoolMint, the application process; Mrs. Grell just signed the intent to further discuss but no legal obligations.

7. Ms. Becky Owens presented the Financial Update Report for the Month of September to the Board. The report is a monthly update of key financial positions including: cash balance, monthly attendance, YTD donations, line of credit status and others. Board Chairman Mr. Arnold Grisham requested to have a detailed footnote from auditors.


9. Ms. Sally Parsons presented the Acceptance of Agreement for Architectural Services for Supply Portable- 2017/18 to the Board. The Board would be approving the Agreement for Architectural Services with Persinger Architects and Associates for their involvement and project management with procuring and placing new 30x30 modular portable on campus for use as the new supply building. The estimated cost is $27,949. Motion to approve Wire, Second: Clisham. Vote unanimous.

10. Ms. Sally Parsons presented the Acceptance of Agreement for Architectural Services for Portable Classrooms with Covered Walkways- 2018/19 to the Board. The Board would be approving the Agreement for Architectural Services with Persinger Architects and Associates for their involvement and project management with procuring and placing 10 new modular classroom portables, 1 new modular office portable, and 4 new covered walkways on campus. The estimated cost is $221,182. Motion to approve Bowen, Second: Wire. Vote unanimous.

11. Ms. Sally Parsons presented the Acceptance of Capital Expansion Plan for New Supply Portable- 2017/18 to the Board. The Board would be approving the Scope of Work and proposed capital budget for placing 30x30 modular portable on campus for use as the new supply building. The estimated cost: $214,674 or $1,650/month 5-year lease. The Board did not approve this item due to additional information needed and was deferred for next Board meeting.

12. Ms. Sally Parsons presented the Acceptance of Capital Expansion Plan for New Portables and Covered Walkways- 2018/19 to the Board. The Board would be approving the Scope Work and proposed capital budget for placing 10 new modular portables, 1 new office portable, and 4 new covered walkways pm campus. The estimated cost: $1,673,143 or $23,375/month 5-year lease. The Board did not approve this item due to additional information needed and was deferred for next Board meeting.
13. Motion to adjourn meeting by Wire, Second: Bowen. Vote unanimous.