Minutes of October 17, 2016, OMI Board Meeting

Members Present: Mr. Bill Bowen, Chairman; Mr. Baxter Rice Vice-Chair, Mr. Buzz Breedlove Board Secretary, Mr. Joe Wire Treasure, Mr. David Clisham, BG James Gabrielli, MG David Baldwin, VADM Jody Breckenridge, and Mr. Steve Samuels. Members absent: Mr. Arnold Grisham. Staff: LTC Rick Wallis Superintendent, Mrs. Johnna Grell, Mrs. Cesley Frost, Mr. Sean Moler, LTC Kenneth Koop, Ms. Estefanie Fuentes, Mrs. Sally Parsons, Mrs. Becky Owens, Mr. Kristian Stremberg, and Mrs. Sahiry Ireland. Public: Mrs. Saundra Leake, CPT Brandon Hardin, LTC Joel Armstrong, Mrs. Rebecca Salato, Mrs. Pam Baldwin, Mr. Gary Soto, and Mr. Gilbert Gong. Cadets: Isaiah Ware, Kyle Gong, Frankie Magaña, Jordan Prince, Gerald Liddle, and Tyon Crockerham.

1. Meeting called to order by Chairmen Bowen at 3:05 P.M.

2. Contract Ratification: MakeKnowledge was moved from the consent calendar to the action items and became item 13.2. Motion to adopt the revise agenda was approved by Breckenridge, Second: Wire. Vote unanimous.

3. The board adjourned to closed session at 3:08 P.M.

4. The board reconvened in public session at 4:44 P.M.

5. No actions were taken during closed session.

6. Motion to adopt the selection of the Superintendent by Breckenridge, Second: Rice. Vote unanimous.

7. Mr. Gilbert Gong addressed the board during public session. He expressed his experiences at OMI as a parent who has watched OMI improve throughout the years in academics, sports, faculty and staff. Mr. Gong

8. Cadet Frankie Magaña, Kyle Gong and Gerald Liddle informed the board about the updated order sheets result, the upcoming weekend events. The events that will be held will consist of BNOC, NCO, and Leadership Summit. The cadets invited high schools in Oakland and Bay Area to train and learn different tactics from others and also teach others the tactics they use.

9. Superintendent Wallis introduced Mr. Stremberg to present the Instructional Leadership Team Report. Mr. Stremberg explained what the coaching cycles were and the reactions of the teachers are very positive and engaging.

10. Principal, Mrs. Grell presented the Achieve3000 to the board and explained the results from the students. The results were similar to the SBAC, with less than half of the school still needs to reach the goal. She then went on to speak upon the Alumni Status Report. After meeting with Governor Brown, he expressed his interest in finding out where OMI Alumni’s attend college and how long it takes them to graduate. Mrs. Grell comments that the data can be trackable through National Student Clearing House and will supply the information during the next board meeting.
11. Chairman Bowen met with Governor Brown where he expressed his desires to not be dependent on the fundraising money. Mr. Bowen suggested getting a donor base like other charter schools have. Although the school has enough money to contribute, Mr. Bowen would like for OMI to still advocate for donors and create strategies for traditional donors as well as creating personal relationships with donors.

12. Mrs. Becky Owens presented the Financial Update to the board and as of August 31, 2016 the ending balance for the operation has a deficit of $104,314 due to lower student enrollment than anticipated. The student enrollment numbers has not been updated to reflect September’s number of enrollment due to change in personnel. There was no fundraising money received in September. Attendance is 97.82% as of October 7, 2016. Mr. Breedlove suggested including more factual information in the budget. Motion to adopt the consent calendar by Baldwin, Second: Clisham. Vote unanimous.

13. Mrs. Sally Parsons explained what Prop 39 is to the board members, which is an energy efficient grant from the state, due to its complex projects and an energy consultant will be required. OMI received four bids and chose Persinger Architects in the amount of $44,435. The money is not coming out of the OMI budget but the actual grant itself. Motion to adopt the contract with the Prop 39 contractor by Baldwin, Second: Clisham. Vote unanimous.

14. Chairman Bowen made a recommendation to ratify the MakeKnowledge contract for 2016-2017. Mr. Steve Samuel’s will be meeting with Mark Basnage and the tech department to discuss the plan for next year. Motion to approve ratification of contract by Breckenridge, Second: Baldwin. Vote unanimous.

15. Motion to adjourn meeting by Baldwin, Second: Breckenridge. Vote unanimous.