



Heather King, Head of School

Rachel Merrill, Principal

**Mission** "Providing a rigorous college preparatory curriculum and well rounded arts education to enrich the lives of our students."

**Vision** "Nurturing the next generation of leaders to become invaluable citizens at the heart of Maine's cultural, economic and social well being."

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Approved on January 5, 2023

December 7, 2022

5:00 PM

Join Meeting via Zoom at:

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**Directors present:** Sherry Gilbert, Tim Rector, Drew Landry, Dick Durost; via zoom Linda Warner and Janna Townsend

**Directors absent:** None

**Staff:** Heather King, Rachel Merrill, Jasen Richardson, Jill Alves

**Public:** Three members of the public were present.

### AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order / Declaration of a Quorum:** Sherry Gilbert called the meeting to order at 4:57pm.
- 2. Executive Session** (Executive Session Title 1, Chapter 13, Sub-chapter 1, Freedom of Access, 405, 6A.1: Individual's right to privacy)

**Motion** by Dick Durost, seconded by Janna Townsend, to enter executive session per Title I, Chapter 13, Sub-chapter 1, Freedom of Access, 405, 6A.1: Individual's right to privacy 4:59pm.

Unanimous vote. Exit executive session 5:58.

**Motion** by Drew Landry, seconded by Dick Durost, to expel a unanimous student from school pursuant to 20A M.R.S.A Section 1001(9) on the grounds that such expulsion is necessary for the peace and usefulness of the schools, and to direct the Superintendent to provide the student's parents written notice of this action and develop a reentry plan for the student as required by law. Motion passed unanimously. It is the hope of the board that the student is able to make progress toward graduation while expelled from school.

**Motion** by Drew Landry, seconded by Dick Durost, to enter executive session at 6:02pm. Unanimous vote. Exit executive session 6:04pm.

### **3. Public Comment** None.

### **4. Approval of Minutes** - November 2, 2022

**Motion** by Drew Landry, seconded by Linda Warner, to accept the November 2, 2022 minutes. Unanimous vote. Motion passed.

### **5. Administrative Report**

Tim commented on the high number of students accepted to both All-State Musical Festivals. Sherry highlighted the recital this Friday at 10:20am and the art sales taking place next week. Heather added that dance students went to a convention in Portland last weekend. Heather mentioned that the jazz band performed in Augusta last weekend.

### **6. Committee Reports**

**a.** Finance Committee - No action taken.

**b.** Academic Excellence Committee - Dick shared that he is enjoying this committee and its involvement in following up with school wide goals. Dick appreciates the exposure to teachers who attend the meetings on a rotating basis.

**Motion** by Drew Landry, seconded by Tim Rector, to accept the AEC minutes. Unanimous vote. Motion passed.

**c.** Governance Committee - Governance Committee meeting will need to be rescheduled. Drew will send potential dates to committee members.

**d.** Fundraising, Development/Marketing Committee - Linda discussed the Christmas tree fundraiser. Jill added that the school has received donations via the GoFundMe page.

**Motion** by Dick Durost, seconded by Tim Rector, to approve the Fundraising, Development/Marketing minutes. Unanimous vote. Motion passed.

### **7. Additions/Adjustments by Chair/Directors**

Tim shared that there is a Yamaha electronic organ on wheels with two manuals available for the school. Tim is in contact with the donor.

Sherry stated there will be an executive session at the end of the board meeting. Sherry also discussed the increased fundraising efforts that have taken place.

Heather added that former members of the charter commission are joining together to offer support for charter schools. They are asking for charter school board members to be involved if they are interested.

## 8. New Business

a. Charter Commission meeting update - Sherry stated that on November 8, 2022 Janna, Linda, Dick, Heather, and Sherry attended. Maine Arts Academy was unanimously approved to incur debt to move to its new facility. Dick added that the next charter commission meeting is December 13, 2022 and Dick plans to attend.

b. New Board Member update - Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 5:30pm the board will welcome two new members, Shelley Reed and Andrew Carlton.

## 9. Announcements & Upcoming Events / Meetings

a. Governance Meeting TBA, 5:00 pm

b. Fundraising/Marketing, January 23, 4:00 pm

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c. Academic Excellence Tuesday February 14 , 2022 4:00 pm

d. Finance

January 25, 2023, 4:00pm

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## 9. Next Board Meeting Thursday January 5, 2023 5:30 pm

**Motion** by Janna Townsend, seconded by Linda Warner, to enter executive session for discussion at 6:43pm, per Title 1, Chapter 13, Sub-chapter 1, Freedom of Access, 405, 6C. Discussion of use of real property. Unanimous vote. Motion passed.

Exit executive session 7:06pm

## 10. Adjournment

**Motion** by Janna Townsend to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:07pm.