Meeting Info:

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Agenda MEAA Board of Directors Date: November 6, 2019 Time 5:00 p.m.
Approved December 4, 2019

Directors Present: Janna Townsend, President; Carl Steidel; Sherry Gilbert; Andrew Landry; Tim Rector; Linda Warner; Jeff Derosiers (via phone)
Directors Absent: Mike Thorne
Staff: Deborah Emery, Executive Director; Heather King, Principal; Heather Neal, Business Manager; Diane Manter, Office Manager; Melissa Hurley, Marketing; teachers - Jasen Richardson, Stacey Vellieux, Sonja Fraser, Tina Spencer
Public: Michael Bisson, Bethany Derosiers, Paula Derosiers, Christa Johnson, Corey King, Gaylen Neal

Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 5 pm by JannaTownsend
Public Comment-

MEAA students Michaela Bisson and Bethany Derosiers presented the results from a voluntary survey that was sent to Seniors. 38 of 58 replied. Michaela noted that she believed the calculation of answers on Section B Item 7 were incorrect. Corey King stated that at the end of 2nd Committee meeting regarding graduation speakers, it was suggested that a survey be conducted, however the survey was to be intended to be used for upcoming years as a policy to bring before the Board had been decided upon. Jeff Derosiers briefly reviewed the data he submitted. The Board noted that they would consider the results of the survey and thanked the students for their input.

Others as requested Gaylen Neal spoke, stating that he was informed that the Board had accused his family of stealing from the school after hours. The Board will review this.

1) Adjustments to Agenda: Executive Session required

Move Committee Reports before Policy/Plans

2) Approval of Minutes :

October 2, 2019 MOTION to approve the minutes was made by Sherry Gilbert. 2nd by Carl Steidel. VOTE 6-0 with 1 abstained; 0 opposed

3) Review/Approve Financial Reports and Finance Committee Updates

Financial Update - Heather Neal requested that the Board approved the financials as presented. MOTION to approve the financials as presented was made by Jeff Derosiers. 2nd by Tim Rector. VOTE: 7-0

Heather Neal stated that the purchase of a second vehicle, up to $40,000, is included in the 2nd year of the Grant, which needs approval from the Board. Heather stated that
the intended vehicle would be a used mini-van (8 people) with a tow hitch and that the grant first year’s insurance, registration and a utility trailer. Heather was looking at vehicles in the price range of $25K

MOTION to authorize the purchase of a vehicle using grant money with understanding that the Board is responsible for the insurance and upkeep was made by Andrew Landry. 2nd by Linda Warner. VOTE 7-0

Heather Neal briefly review policies:

   501 - Meal Charge Policy
   900 - Payroll
   1001 - Travel
   1002 - Request for Reimbursement

MOTION to accept the revised policies sections 501, 900, 1001, 1002 was made by Andrew Landry. 2nd by Carl Steidel VOTE: 7-0

4) Approval of Policies/ Plans:

Social Media Policy (second reading) MOTION to approve the Employee Social Media Privacy policy as presented was made by Andrew Landry. 2nd by Carl Steidel VOTE: 7-0

2019 Graduation Valedictorian, Salutatorian, etc, Criteria - This agenda item was presented after the Committee Reports. Janna Townsend started the conversation by stating the Board appreciates all the information that has been gathered and feels its the beginning of conversation. Janna stated that there are 2 actions that could be taken (1) not to make a decision or (2) to make a decision based on 2 committee meetings and take time to create criteria. Andrew Landry read the proposed policy which could recognize as many as 6 students or as few as 3 students. He stated that this validates the pie chart presented by the students. The policy has the recommendation of the Academic Excellence Committee and the Governance Committee. MOTION to accept the recommendations in as a 1 year policy. 2nd Sherry Gilbert VOTE: 7-0

Course Weighting - Deborah Emery reviewed the course weighting. Deborah proposed to the Board that college classes be weighted the same as honors classes. There was a brief discussion. MOTION to adopt the class weighting system was made by Andrew Landry. 2nd by Linda Warner VOTE: 7-0 Deborah noted that she would put together a brief summary. **Update:** The Board voted to align the course weighting as the staff requested: a three tiered weight: Regular courses - rank 1.0; Honors/Advanced courses - rank 1.5; College courses - rank 2.0. The board voted electronically. VOTE 8-0

5) Committee Reports: (30min

   a) Academic Excellence Committee- 10/21/19 minutes - Sherry Gilbert presented the Committee’s report. Andrew Landry stated there was a consensus by all.

   b) Governance Committee- 10/15/19 minutes - Janna Townsend presented the report. Andrew Landry wanted to point out the cooperation of all.

   c) Fundraising, Development/Marketing - did not meet

6) Head of School Report- (attached)
7) Principal’s Report:- (attached)

8) Old Business-

   Grades, Weights Transcript System
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Charter Commission Site Visit
   Summary Report. Sherry Gilbert stated that she thought it was an insightful presentation. Janna Townsend stated, that due to the length of this meeting, a more in depth review would be conducted next month. Deborah Emery noted that she has written goals from this report.

9) New Business- (10min)

10) Announcements- Quarry Tap Room fundraiser for the Carnegie Hall Singers will be held on Monday, November 11th. Shannon Thurston will be performing.

11) Next Board Meeting - December 4, 2019  5 p.m.

12) Adjourn-

13) Executive Session  The Board went into Executive Session citing the Right to Privacy. MOTION to get into Executive Session was made by Carl Steidel at 6:05 pm. 2nd by Andrew Landry.  VOTE  7-0

Time in/Time out