

First State Military Academy Board Meeting Minutes / 20 September 2022

Moment of Silence - Quorum present, in-person and Zoom meeting called to order @ 1745

Board Members Present: In-Person: R Ott (Chair) R Capitan, R Payus, K Stark, K Yencer, H Contant / Via zoom: 0

Staff/Founding Committee Members: In-Person: L Auster, R Wallace SMI

Motion to Approve Agenda, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.

Special Guests: P Collier (zoom) reported 30+ Alumni cadets interested in Alumni Association. Discussed future / mission of the organization and revealed logo (FSMA logo with Alumni Association underneath).

Secretary's Report: Motion to Approve August Board minutes, 2nd, Passed, with following adjustments to "Plagiarism" sections. Delete first two sentences after the word "Discussion". State the following. "Plagiarism policy to be posted".

Public Comments: None

Treasurer's Report: - released Treasurer's report was accepted.

Principals Report:

Unit count discussion - Final numbers verified, 441. 1 May 2022 we reported 427.

8th graders who are going into 9th grade down across state (homeschool?/left state?)

September 15th Parent Night - good turnout (150+ parents attended)

Hiring 4 staff members - paraprofessionals.

September 16th Induction Day went well with former Chief Justice attending

FSMA Youtube Channel will be active soon

ASVAB testing complete and results/scores available

CTE funding discussion. STAR testing results,

Athletics – No Report

Commandants Report:

Upcoming Blood Drive 5 Oct, USNA campus tour being planned, 14 Oct Homecoming

Committee Reports:

H Contant: Requested input from all Board Members. Action item - review and respond to email with comments regarding "Discovery" slides on pages 7, 11, & 13.

R Capitan: Announcement of Honorary Guest Speaker Patty Stoll, President for Space Operations at ILC, for the 5 November Marine Corps Ball. Reggie is getting her and her husband a room at Dover Downs.

Organizational Issues:

R Capitan: Motion was made to adopt Roberts Rules. Was postponed to allow board members to review and then revisit for vote next meeting. Also, terms of Board Members reviewed. Reggie Capitan

is figuring out best way to change bylaws to modify term limits. Some members are serving beyond current 3 year limit.

K Yencer: Asked to see quotes for AC replacement. ESSER funds for AC replacement.

Need to press on our school library: We need a Book Collection Policy in place before we can advertise and receive books.

K Stark: Reported on Academic progress on an initiative to do student athlete progress report. Good buy-in overall. so far 0 student-athletes are failing 2+ classes. Program is more preventive vice punitive. Looking for 100% participation from all sports and support for initiative aimed at changing the culture of academic mentoring and accountability.

Closing Remarks None.

Meeting adjourned 1950. **Next Meeting:** 25 October 2022 in Media Center.