



First State Military Academy Board Meeting Minutes

June 28, 2016

Moment of Silence

Quorum present, meeting called to order @ 5:34 p.m.

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

Opening Remarks: Teresa Gerchman and Casey Guerke from IS.

Board Members Present: S. Kidner ; J Berg; T. DeVary; J Durham; K Donnelly; S. Sack

Founding Committee Members: Dave McGuigan, Staff: COL Bob Wallace and Arles Wood, BM.

Secretary's Report: May 24 '16 minutes presented. Motion to Accept, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.

Public Comments: None. None present.

Treasurer's Report: Presented WSFS banking statements. Ongoing discussion about the \$52,000 and repayment/school/timing. Motion to pay Horizon in full/remaining balance, \$3400 aprox., 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.

Finance Report: IS presented current budget numbers: Revenues are tracking as are expenses. Budget continues to look good - with some surplus funds for summer encumbrances. Discussion about FY17 budget. Budget Narrative for May 2016 presented by Casey Guerke from IS. Motion to accept the Web Monthly Finance Report, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0. Board examined the creation of a Budget Committee that will review and present at Board meetings to reduce time.

Kevin D - AS#9 was approved by USDA on 10 May 2016. AS#10 approved June 1, 2016. AS#11 is under development - 3 Invoices included - Ventersca, BMG and NCALL loan payment.

Discussion about closing - no date set. Meeting dates will be offered for July.

Capital Campaign: Jim B will be discussing our program with a marketing group in Wilmington that may be able to help FSMA and this campaign.

CBOC: Chair Jenn D. Meeting held on 24 June, IS and FSMA BM reported the budget. All next meetings have been posted to the website - Sept 16, Dec 16, Mar 17.

Commandants Report: Report Attached. Also presented current Cadet recruitment status/numbers.

Committee Reports:

Tony DeVary (Academic):

Summer School has started. We will be offering AP and 3 Honors courses for next year, a total of 8 courses. All our teachers are signed up for September. Be meeting with Wilm U about dual enrollment program since it did not work out with Del Tech.

Dawn Fiore (Communication/Marketing/Enrollment):

No Report

Dennis Dinger (H/R):

No Report

Dennis Dinger (Facilities): Morrell Hall update. Completion looks to be 1 August. Still have windows on order. CO's are not too bad, easily under contingency budget. Discussion about funding for Morrell Hall - budget is very tight. We will be nearing the \$630,000 spending very soon that will finish the project.

Organizational Issues:

Board Retreat - New date needs to be selected.

Next Meeting: 23 August 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at First Military Academy, Clayton, DE.

Closing Remarks: Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Executive Session Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:21 PM for the purposes of discussing issues related to personnel/hiring and possible litigation, 2nd Passed 6 to 0. Motion to allow COL Wallace, Commandant and Bus. Manager to attend Session, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.

Discussion about current contracts and three new teacher hires.

Motion to end Executive Session at 7:59 PM, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.

Motion to re-open the Board meeting at 8:00 PM, 2nd Passed 6 to 0. Discussion about hiring the following individuals as staff for FSMA: Hyson, McKay and Woods. Motion to approve hiring them for the 2016-2017 school year, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0. Motion to continue negotiations with Innovative Schools for various services for the school year 2016-2017, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.

Motion to close Board meeting at 8:10 PM, 2nd, Passed 6 to 0.