

# First State Military Academy Board Meeting Minutes

22 February 2022

Moment of Silence - Quorum present, in-person and Zoom meeting called to order @ 1733

**Board Members Present:** In-Person: S. Kidner; C. Martin, K Yencer. R Ott, R Payus, L Stapleford. Via zoom: L Gratteri, K Stark, J Berg

**Staff/Founding Committee Members:** In-Person: P Gallucci, R Wallace SMI

Motion to Approve Agenda, 2nd, Passed 9 to 0.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion to Approve 25 January minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passed 9 to 0.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Treasurer's Report:** J Berg. WSFS banking statements presented. Ongoing USDA withdrawals totaling some \$24k each month continue. Noted approx. \$4000 deposits made under Classy. Payments for construction work paid. Total in both accounts about \$209,514. Noted about \$295,000 total spent on the construction project with approx. \$6-9k remaining in invoices. Escrow accounts remain unfunded. Motion to Accept Treasurers report, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed 9 to 0.

**Finance Report:** Commandant Gallucci. Provided Web Report and January numbers. Student count is 456. Most local monies are all in at 99%. Received 100% of Federal grant monies. Spending for January was much higher than normal, about 202,000. Building and grounds running higher, and athletic supplies was over, that included both Winter and Spring sports spending. Utilities/NG up. Reported \$0 remaining in Cares Act I (ESSER) and Cares Act II (ESSER II) budgets. ESSER III budgeted approx. \$722k. Total Federal monies stayed at \$1.091mm. Spending against that funding has started that includes the phone system. HVAC is next.

New topic: Commandant presented information about the current FY '22 budget will be some \$250,000 less that originally presented because of a miscalculation in the number of "intense" and "complex" identified cadets enrolled at FSMA. Specifically, we have 11 Cadets as identified as complex - whereas last year we had 19 cadets. Coupled fewer intense and basic students - which also reduced our unit count, our FY'23 budget was overstated. However, this also indicates that less "complex" students are selecting FSMA and we are receiving more "4-12" students. Commandant noted going forward this issue will be tracked accordingly.

Web Report was presented. Motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> Passed 9 to 0.

Motion to approve the FY'22 Final Budget to include the noted miscalculation, 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed 8 to 0.

**CBOC:** S. Kidner. Next meeting in March 2022.

**Commandants Report:** Report Attached. Commandant reported Open House dates of 19 March and 2 April. Current applications are 200.

Commandant sought approval of the new HPE/Driver's Ed teacher Mr Alex Carter, Motion to Approve, 2<sup>nd</sup> passed 8 to 0.

Discussion about the lifting of school mask mandate for 31 March. The Board will vote in March as to removing the mandate or keep in place, and/or if there are any circumstance where masks will be required on campus.

SMI provided a review of various events attended and coming for Cadets - 12 March will be the Mid-Atlantic all Marine Drill Classic hosted by FSMA. Winner goes to Nationals.

Academics - Reported SAT's will be done electronically for the first time. Some concerns on how this will function.

Athletics - No Report

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Communication/Marketing/Enrollment:** Chair Leslie S. Reported donations made through the Classy system at \$4005. A winner was selected for the FSMA jacket by drawing.

**Facilities:** Chair Kevin Y. Reported work is done except for the mop sink. Fire Marshal inspection completed and passed. C/O will be completed the next 2 weeks.

**H/R (Open):** This committee shall be discontinued until call of the Chair.

#### **Organizational Issues:**

Board retreat will be conducted on 9 April - 0900 to 1600 at school.

Discussion about SBI and status of Board Background checks. Board members may be out of compliance. Chair will send memo asking for current CBI or getting one completed.

It was again noted Jim B, Board Treasurer, will be resigning in near future and we will need to find a replacement.

**Closing Remarks** None.

Meeting adjourned 1857. **Next Meeting:** 22 March 2022 in Media Center.