

Minutes Board of Trustees Voting Meeting January 16, 2020, 6:30 PM

1. **Call to order**
 - Called to order to 6.32 pm
2. **Opening statements – D.Rufo**
 - D.Rufo welcomed our new members. G.Scott conducted the swearing in ceremony
3. **New Board Members Swearing-in: Oath of Office.** Signed oaths are on file in the school office.
 - William Suriano for Seat 1 - sworn in; introduced his wife Alexis
 - Yvan Francois for Seat 6 - sworn in;
 - Greg Queen for Seat 7 - sworn in;
 - Kim Henken for Seat 8 - sworn in;

All new members took respective seats at the table as voting members.
4. **Review & accept minutes from December 19, 2019, Voting Meeting – Vote**
 - Minutes - G.Scott moved for acceptance, E.Falcone Seconded Motion; B. abstained. Motion passes. **Minutes accepted.**
5. **Student Representative.** None.
6. **Committees Meeting updates – Committee Chairs**
 - Development Committee – Dr. Buli/M.Greiner; New staff liaison
 - Report
 - HR Committee – J.Work: new HR coordinator
 - Finance Committee – S.Glick; Meeting held Tuesday. Tuition receivable balance to be expected; Arbitrage Bond Testing: investment earning within required limits, nothing due; Working on Athletic Budget for next year; Discussion of setting dates for budget planning next year. Presently anticipate planning for next year to begin March 26 of 2020.
 - Strategic Planning Committee – D.Rufo/Dr. Bulli. Working with Charter Choices. Surveys of family and staff complete, will survey students and then present data to Committee. Committee will then use data to prepare plan.
 - Legislative Committee – G.Scott; Breakfast coming January 30, 2020 at 8:30 am. Every PA state house and senate members and all Congressional members were invited. Higher than anticipated response rate. Presently have received confirming responses from the following legislator’s offices: Senator Toomey’s office, Rep. Schustaman, Rep. Briggs, US. Rep. Dean, Rep. Joe Webster all have advised that they will be attending. On March 19th, 2020, Board Meeting will start earlier - 5:00 pm. Board Members from sending districts will be invited prior to the March meeting for school tour and questions and then invited to stay for Board Meeting. Also during evening of March 19th, an open house will be held.

- Business Manager's Report – C.Schaeffer - In Board Drive.
 - **Vote** - Staff roster by Business Manager. E.Falcone makes motion to accept staff roster. A.Bragoli 2nd's Motion. B.Suriano abstains. Motion passes. **Staff Roster accepted.**

7. Administration Reports

- Lower School Principal Report – C.Boyd:
- Upper School Principal Report – M.Boyd: Upcoming winter dances, Acadec competition, Black History Month event (format similar to last year: guest speakers, workshop/small group sessions), Robotics club competition, Seniors just under \$8 million in Scholarships. 54 of 74 of seniors have reported acceptances. Recent news regarding student as primary nominee from Sen. Toomey's office to Naval Academy.
- Dean of Students Report – H.Smith: vaping cessation training with Phoenixville Hospital for upper school students.
- CEO Report – Dr. Bulli: currently looking for part time lunch aide and potentially will be looking for building sub. Preparing for upcoming School Choice week, members providing update on status of charter school litigation involving fees and charges. "Choice" events, including "choice" ice cream social. Renewal of Charter status: originally was advised would be January, now planning for February. Presently being asked for additional information (3rd time), which is under discussion. Upcoming Professional Development and staff wellness days. Accepted into athletic leagues for formation of Football and Bowling teams.

8. Old Business

- Video Project - Holly and Greg. Target is to finish by graduation. Presently waiting on a script.
- Board member biographies.

9. New Business

- Avon Grove Charter School visit - J.Work and G.Scott went to visit their school. Discussion of good relationship between the schools and opportunity for learning from shared experiences/challenges. Have invited full leadership team to tour campus and meet their leadership team. D.Rufo will connect us.
- 2020 Retreat availability sent for response to Board Members. Members should review and send responses.
- Board Handbook Updates Discussion held.

10. Public comment. None.

11. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn made by M.Reynolds. Seconded by A.Bragoli. Motion passes. **Adjourned as of 7:22 pm.**

12. Executive session held on Real Estate.