



**Thursday, April 29, 2021  
5:00 pm**

*We serve a diverse student body to succeed in a rigorous college preparatory program. Our mission is to ensure that all students graduate with the skills to achieve in college, to contribute positively, and to be accepting of all people.*

**Call to Order**

The Board Meeting was called to order by Andrew Ng in the absence of Rich Holst, Board Chair, at 5:01 pm

**Declaration of Virtual Meeting**

Andrew Ng announced an in person meeting of the Board was not possible due to the COVID pandemic. The meeting will take place via Zoom with votes counted by roll call via the Recording Secretary.

**Reading of Mission and Vision**

Read by Andrew Ng

**Attendance**

Members present: Andrew Ng, Phil Jemielita, Elizabeth Neilson, Tim Becken, Alexandra Howes, Betsy Mowry Voss (5:09), Rich Holst (via phone)

Members absent: , Doris Espelien, Tina Haarhusch

Others in attendance: Janet White, staff (5:15) Betsy Lueth, Executive Director; Brenda Reedy, Recording Secretary

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the March minutes was made by Howes and second by Jemielita. Discussion: None. By a roll call vote with 6 yes votes, motion carried.

**Approval of Agenda**

Discussion: Lueth requested the addition of acceptance of the 990 to the Action Items. A motion to approve the Agenda with addition of 990 tax return acceptance was made by Neilson, second by Becken. By a roll call vote with 6 yes votes, motion passed.

**Public Comments**

None

**Action Items**

- **March Financials**
  - Discussion: Enrollment exceeds budget by 7 ADM. The expenditures are on

target. Discussion ensued about opportunities with a 1 time revenue source. How do we use the revenue from the government to make the experience better and boost enrollment was the question posed. It was suggested to have a planning session in July or August.

A motion was made by Jemielita and seconded by Neilson to approve the March Financials. With a roll call vote of 7 yes votes, motion passed.

- ***Candidate Slate for Board Elections***
  - Discussion: Will hold an election for the 2 teacher positions, will have to recruit for community member and parent positions. A motion to approve the SLATE of CANDIDATE Board Elections was made by Jemielita and seconded by Howes. By a roll call vote of 6 yes and 1 abstain votes, motion passed.
- ***Acceptance of the TCAABC and TCA 990 Tax Returns***
  - Discussion: Can't be changed, they are prepped by our accounting firm. If there are questions, Jenny Abbs can help answer those. Jemielita moved to accept the 990 tax returns and seconded by Becken. With a roll call vote of 7 yes votes, motion passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- ***Equity Policy (First Read)***
  - This is the first read, revisions will go back to Equity Committee. Any questions can be answered by Governance. Main purpose is to define terms for diversity and marginalization. Policy versus procedure. Mowry-Voss asked for clarification for how point 3, Implementation and Monitoring, will occur. Discussion occurred regarding bench marks and incorporating measurables into strategic plan.
- ***FY22 Budget (First Read)***
  - Very different than any other year. Enrollment is lower than in the past. A summer school and other usual Final budget items typically approved at April's Board Meeting were delayed to May due to state funding. Shortfall due to providing free lunches to all students without requiring FRP qualifications. PPP was able to help with the salaries and lease payments. It was discussed the possibility of paying off bond early. Betsy gave an overview of the different CARES monies received and the deficit for FY22 that was intentional due to the receipt of that money. She also mentioned increasing the money spend on marketing to boost enrollment numbers.
- ***Board Self-Evaluation Process***
  - This was missed last year due to pandemic. It is being created in Google Forms and members are asked to fill it out and return it at the May Board Meeting.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- ***IRT Update***
  - First Covid case in school reported. It doesn't appear to have caused a spread within the school community. Staff are at 95% vaccination rate. They are monitoring the numbers and are seeing them heading down again. TCA is offering testing kits to students on a voluntary basis, with athletes being tested weekly every Monday night. TCA is working to bring a vaccine bus for students, families and surround community members in the next couple of weeks.

## REPORTS

- ***Committee Reports***
  - **Governance**—Election Runner being used for board elections again with voting starting soon via an email sent to staff and families with a special code to allow them to vote. It will remain open up until before the May board meeting giving Governance time to finalize.
  - **Finance**—no report.
- ***Principal/Executive Director***
  - Summer programs were discussed along with the possibility of an artist and mural happening at some point. Marketing is looking at marketing firms to help get our name out there and we are working with a sign company to have new signs made along with bumper stickers, window clings, postcards and lawn signs. A former TCA alum is going to consult with us to connect TCA to the community.
- ***Parents/Board Members***
  - Ng reported he is glad to finally have students back in the building.

## Adjourn

6:00 pm by Ng