



THE CLASSICAL ACADEMY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020, 6:00-7:55 P.M.

NORTH CAMPUS — SECONDARY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM (TITAN ROOMS A AND B, 1ST FLOOR)

The Classical Academy exists to assist parents in their mission to develop exemplary citizens, equipped with analytical thinking skills, virtuous character, and a passion for learning, all built upon a solid foundation of knowledge.

MINUTES

Discussion Time/Start Time

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| I. | Call to Order (6:00 pm) | 1 min (6:00) (6:00) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chair (Mr. Moulton) called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm | |
| II. | Pledge of Allegiance/Mission/Roll Call | 2 min (6:01) (6:01) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Roll call: (Dr. Andre; Here (On the Phone) // Mr. Bennett; Here // Mrs. Goin; Here // Mr. Hannan; Here // Ms. Littleton; Here // Mr. Moulton; Here // Mr. Rudder; Here (On the Phone) A quorum was present. | |
| III. | Approval of Agenda | 2 min (6:03) (6:02) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Motion: Ms. Littleton moved to approve the agenda and was seconded.Discussion: None<u>Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)</u> | |
| IV. | Celebrate TCA (Titan Creed Meaning by TCA Elementary Students) | 5 min (6:05) (6:03) |
| | Action: (Harris)
Motion: (Info)
Rationale: to highlight accomplishments of TCA students, staff, and parents | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Some TCA elementary students helped open our meeting by reciting “A Titan’s Creed” and sharing what each line means to them; interesting to hear how the TCA Creed comes to life for each of them.The students recently did the same at a prospective parent meeting for incoming kindergartner parents | |
| V. | Comments from the Audience (Audience members have 5 minutes to address the Board) | 5 min (6:10) (6:08) |
| | (NOTE: Per procedural rules if more than one person is speaking on the same topic we request that one or two specific spokespersons speak on behalf of the group) | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">There were no comments from the audience | |
| VI. | TCA Building Corp (Appointment of Directors) | 5 min (6:15) (6:09) |
| | Action: (Bender)
Motion: (Vote)
Rationale: for Board Members to approve the TCA Building Corp Directors | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Motion: Mrs. Goin moved to approve the TCA Building Corp Directors and was seconded.Discussion: None<u>Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)</u> | |
| VII. | Comments from the Board of Directors | 5 min (6:20) (6:10) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Hannan visited CP during an ugly sweater contest and was impressed by the fun the staff brought to educating studentsMs. Littleton wished everyone a Happy New Year and told of her cruise to AntarcticaMr. Moulton attended the state of the school address to the staff by Dr. Sojourner. He noted how well Dr. Sojourner presented the range of topics. Mr. Moulton thought the Active Shooter training by the FBI was very enlightening and useful.Mr. Bennett attended a presentation of a check to the Wounded Warriors foundation for \$18,233 by Central Elementary. He mentioned that it was very moving to the military personnel who accepted the check. Additionally, | |

Mr. Bennett was enthused by the schools rendition of the Pledge of Allegiance (best he has ever heard) and was inspired by the students and their understanding of the Titan's Creed (from kindergarten to 6th grade)

VIII. Board Development (Clubs, Dress Code Issues, and Cultural Trends) 10 min (6:25) (6:14)

Action: (Miller)

Motion: (Info)

Rationale: to reinforce good practices of effective school boards

- Mr. Miller highlighted the following issues facing public schools:
 - Increase in litigation addressing individual expression of uniqueness versus school, state and federal law (each case is different and will challenge Administration/School Board decision making)
 - Discussed the laws associated with approving or not approving requests for curricular and non-curricular clubs
 - Noted that there will be increased legislation from the state addressing charter school issues

IX. Report of the President & Cabinet Spotlights 15 min (6:35) (6:34)

Action: (Sojourner)

Motion: (Info)

Rationale: to highlight cabinet activities (Pres., Ops, Academic Services, HR, and Advancement)

- Dr. Sojourner highlighted the following items from his report:
 - State of the School Address
 - Heard many positive responses by staff
 - Staff looks forward to TCA Board's discussions on Digital Health and wellbeing of students
 - Parent Academy
 - Michele Borba, a foremost authority on childhood development, will be coming to address TCA on March 12, 2020 (Parents) and March 13, 2020 (Staff) about her book "Unselfie: Why Empathetic Kids Succeed in Our All-About-Me World"
 - December Fundraising
 - Thanked parents and grandparents for 2nd largest donation month in TCA history (over \$170,000)
 - Will be giving TCA Board members a list of contributors to thank personally (by phone) for their generosity

X. Consent Agenda 3 min (6:50) (6:52)

Board Directed items to be removed from Consent Agenda:

Motion: (Vote) to accept the Consent Agenda

- A. Finance (VanGambleare)
 - 1. November Financials
- B. New Course Approvals (Jolly)
- C. Board Policies
 - 1. Chief Executive Officer/Succession Plan
 - 2. Conflict Resolution
 - 3. Core Values
- D. SAC Minutes/Resource Priorities
 - 1. Junior High, November 13, 2019
 - 2. Central Elementary, November 18, 2019
 - 3. High School, December 5, 2019
 - 4. CSP and CP, December 11, 2019
- E. CASB Conference Report
 - 1. Mrs. Goin

- **Motion: Mr. Hannan moved to accept the Consent Agenda and was seconded.**
- Discussion: None
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)**

XI. Minutes: December 9, 2019 2 min (6:53) (6:53)

Action: (Swanson)

Motion: (Vote) to approve the December 9, 2019 minutes

Rationale: to provide a record of the Board meeting for files

- **Motion: Mr. Hannan moved to approve the December 9, 2019 Minutes and was seconded.**
- Discussion: None
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)**

XII. Discussion Agenda Items

A. Items removed from Consent Agenda

B. Cabinet Level Reports

1. Operations Capital Construction Report (Monthly)

5 min (6:55) (6:54)

Action: (Pacht)

Motion: (Information)

Rationale: to review progress on all TCA capital construction projects

- Mr. Pacht highlighted the following items from his report:
 - Continuing to revise plans for the North Campus buildout
 - Presented a draft of the design in progress
 - First look at revised cost at the end of the month
 - Scheduled to start construction in May 2020 and end March 2021

2. School Calendar Review/Approval 10 min (7:00) (7:01)

Action: (Jolly/Birkey)

Motion: (Vote)

Rationale: to provide the Board an opportunity to approve the 2020-2021 school year calendar and preliminary approval of 2021-2022 school year calendar

- **Motion: Mr. Moulton moved to approve the 2020-2021 school calendars and preliminarily approve the 2021-2022 school year calendars and was seconded.**
- Discussion:
 - Mrs. Birkey explained the different policies and laws used to create the school calendars (TCA Policies, ASD20 Guidelines/Calendar, State required contact time and days)
 - The Board may review the guidelines in the TCA Policy for School Calendar Creation
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)**

3. Mid-year Budget Modification 10 min (7:10) (7:14)

Action: (VanGamble)

Motion: (Vote)

Rationale: to approve changes to the current year budget

- **Motion: Ms. Littleton moved to approve the mid-year budget modification recommendations and was seconded.**
- Discussion:
 - Mr. VanGamble noted that the changes are from the requirement to record TCA's share of the annual \$225M funding that the State of Colorado contributes to the PERA fund, and for rollover funding of capital projects that the Board approved last year
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)**

C. Board Level Reports

1. Announce Board of Director Election Vacancies/BMAC Update 5 min (7:20) (7:18)

Action: (Moulton)

Motion: (Information)

Rationale: to announce vacancies on the TCA Board of Directors for the upcoming election and to discuss search for eligible candidates for the TCA Board

- Board Election this year has two seats up for election (Mr. Bennett and Mrs. Goin)
 - Mr. Bennett **will not** seek re-election
 - Mrs. Goin **will** seek re-election
- The Board election will take place from March 9 to March 27, 2020
 - The election will be conducted completely online (no in person voting)
 - Parents are reminded to update their e-mail addresses on Infinite Campus to make sure they get their ballot
 - Currently, there is only one name that has been brought to the Board Member Appointment Committee as a candidate for appointment (to the seat currently held by Ms. Littleton-term limited)
 - Let the Board know of any other possible candidates

2. Board Digital Health Committee Report 15 min (7:25) (7:20)

Action: (Goin, Sojourner)

Motion: (1st Read)

Rationale: to review and amend TCA Board Philosophy concerning Digital Health at TCA

- The Board made adjustments to the TCA Board Philosophy concerning Digital Health that Dr. Sojourner will make and bring back for a vote in February
- Dr. Sojourner discussed the format of the town hall meeting taking place on January 22, 2020 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Brown Center (North Campus Auditorium)

D. Board Communication 5 min (7:40) (7:58)

Action: (Bennett)

Rationale: to develop and approve of communication update to community

- Celebrate TCA
- School Calendars
- December fundraising campaign
- Town hall meeting Jan 22, 2020

E. Future Board Agenda Items

5 min (7:45) (8:01)

1. BMAC makes recommendation to the Board, Feb, Info, Moulton
2. Announce Board of Director Candidates, Feb, Vote, Moulton
3. Board Candidate Video Presentation, Feb, Moulton
4. Curriculum Review/Text Review (Elementary), Feb, 1st Read, Jolly
5. Board Budget, Feb, 1st Read, Goin
6. Board Candidate Video Presentations, Feb, Moulton

F. Comments from the Board of Directors

5 min (7:50) (8:02)

- Bennett: Diverse club representation allows students a learning opportunity to put into practice the principles associated with the Titan's Creed

XIII. Adjournment (Approx. 7:55 p.m.)

(7:55) (8:03)

- **Motion: Ms. Littleton moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded.**
- Discussion: None
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 7-0 the Board approved the motion. (Dr. Andre; Yea // Mr. Bennett; Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Mr. Hannan; Yea // Ms. Littleton; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea)**

Rich Bennett
TCA Board Secretary