



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Directors on February 18th at 6 pm at Palmetto Scholars Academy

I. Administrative

a. **Meeting call to order** at 6:00 pm

b. Board Members Roll Call

- i. Tim Gott [Principal]
- ii. Mark Bowden
- iii. John Mulvey
- iv. Melissa Knight
- v. Kim Shultz
- vi. Bryan Coppage
- vii. Elizabeth Hallum
- viii. Faith Bongiorno
- ix. Cynthia Hall
- x. Patrick O'Neill
- xi. Keith McElveen [Foundation]
- xii. Bernadette Brogan [Faculty Liaison]
- xiii. John Warder [PCA]
- xiv. Additional: Corrigan Rutherford

c. **Mission Statement:** Palmetto Scholars Academy (PSA) exists to meet the distinctive academic, social, and emotional needs of students by utilizing best practices of gifted education.

d. Public Comment

- i.

II. Executive Session

III. New Business

- a. Governance Training: None scheduled
- b. Review Financials
- c. Review updates to Strategic Planning Document (Google Sheets)

IV. Principals Report – Dr. Tim Gott

- a. Lottery
- b. Staff Changes
- c. Update on District Situation
- d. Things coming up

V. Report from Foundation

- a. Exploring ways to optimize debt structure between PSA and new school
 - i. Financials shared with Foundation
- b. Bryan and Faith to represent PSA Board to Foundation

VI. Committee Updates

- a. Policy & Human Resources Kim
 - i. Identifying and addressing Policy gaps
 1. Contacting appropriate committee to address gaps as they are discovered
- b. Development & Fundraising Faith



- i. Instructional space upgrades and expansion
 - ii. Athletic Fields
 - iii. Fundraising to augment saved development funds
 - iv. Project Timelines
 - v. Three committee members working on meetings
- c. Military Elizabeth
 - i. Elizabeth will follow up on land application – is paperwork routing process the same as it was for previous application
 - ii. Airshow April 18/19, 2020
 - 1. Blue Angels looking for High School to interact with
 - iii. Colonel Terry and Colonel Adams would be interested in meeting the Board – possibly invite to board meeting
- d. Nominating Cynthia
 - i. Cynthia to survey individual board members on whether they intend to remain with the Board
- e. Facilities Bryan
 - i. Existing Facility expansion (instructional space & athletic space)
 - 1. Committee to evaluate athletic space expansion in more detail before next meeting
 - 2. Estimates for upgrading athletic spaces on expansion land
 - 3. Evaluation of wing expansion versus Learning Cottage purchase at end of lease
- f. Communications John
 - i. PSA Board Meetings via conference technology (Public and non-Public) – Google Meetings
 - ii. Working on templates and formats for communicating more effectively (newsletter & notifications)
 - iii. Set up Board Calendar and will distribute instructions for use to all Board members
- g. Academic Excellence Mark
 - i. Met on 1/14
 - ii. Draft completed of Middle School Survival Guide and High School Course Guide to help define what makes PSA a unique school and to communicate that to new students
 - iii. Looking for Mentors for Capstone Projects – Goal is for every Board member to secure 5 Mentors
- h. Grievance Patrick
 - i. Mark Bowden
 - ii. Cynthia Hall
 - iii. Kim Shultz
 - iv. Bryan Coppage
- i. Ad Hoc Committee on Transportation
 - i. Coastal Transportation will not be providing services next year
 - 1. Exploring other options such as School Wheels
 - 2. PSA has opportunity to purchase several 16 passenger buses (can be used for sports)
 - ii. Surveys to determine extent of need
 - iii. Trying to recruit people from Mount Pleasant
- j. Ad Hoc Executive Search Committee
 - i. John executing Marketing Plan
 - ii. Melissa evaluating compensation and planning for travel & relocation



iii. Mark & Kim leading cross functional Interview panel (parents, teachers, student)

VII. Executive Session

VIII. Action Items

- a. December Financials
- b. Decision to extend employment offer to Principal Candidate
- c. Disband Ad Hoc Executive Search Committee

IX. Adjournment

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