

## **Minutes for the Tempe Preparatory Academies**

### **Board Meeting**

**February 27, 2018**

**Item 1: Call to Order:** The Board meeting was called to order to 6:00 pm on February 27, 2018 at 1251 E. Southern Ave. Mesa, AZ 85281

#### **Item 2: Board Members Present:**

Lisa Borawski Pickard

Becky Cryder

Roberta Fischer

Dr. Newfeld

Mr. Foreman

Mr. Sampson (arrived at 6:15)

#### **Non-voting members present:**

Dr. Wayne Porter

Dr. Joseph Kelly

**Item 3:** No response to the call to the public

#### **Item 4: Consent Agenda**

Dr. Newfeld moves to accept the Consent agenda. Mr. Foreman seconds. Motion carries.

**Item 5: Faculty Report:** Dr. Kelly notes that there was some feedback about athletic field day, safety measures, thesis workload on faculty, and early release for athletics. Doc Hickernell mentioned the fantastic academic progress in the senior class. Dr. Kelly announced his leaving TPA to move to Tennessee this summer.

**Item 6: Parent Organization Report:** None

**Item 7: PAC Report:** Mrs. Genchev mentioned the academic clubs meeting and how fantastic it was to see their support of the academic classes. The next meeting is the last Thursday of March.

#### **Item 8: Regular Agenda (6:15 pm)**

Headmaster's Report:

Five students have been recognized as National Hispanic Merit Scholar Finalists. Summer program applications and summer curriculum plans are in full swing. AP exams will be offered here on the TPA campus in the spring. Sign up deadline is March 7. Headcount is at 422, we were above budget amounts through the 100<sup>th</sup> day.

B. School Finance Update: Year to date vs. actual budget: any discrepancies are mostly due to timing issues. 133 days cash on hand.

**Item taken out of order: Item 10: Foreign Student Presentation**

**Mrs. Moffitt** introduced two individuals, Mr. Pike and Mr. Flake, who spoke about a proposition to bring some foreign students to TPA. This is a first exposure of an idea, if moved forward, it would begin in 2019-2020. A few students would potentially start at TPA as juniors. The idea will be further explored in the future.

**Item 9: Campus Security:**

**Dr. Porter** explained the new security measures implemented, lockdown drill vs. shelter in place. Mr. Foreman requested Dr. Porter and the admin team meet with Tempe PD to ensure we are meeting their expectations.

**Item 11: Discussion of Student Retention Policy**

Mr. Sampson mentioned the class sizes of the current grade levels. He notes that student numbers aren't off of the numbers of the past but that he feels we should be looking at ways to keep strong community events, relationships with faculty, and a strong partnership with Barrett, etc.

**Item 12: Faculty Dress Code** Dr. Newfeld motions to allow male faculty to make neckties optional from August-October and March-May. There was no second, the motion does not carry.

**Item 13: Announcements:** Ms. Borawski-Pickard thanked Dr. Porter for all of his work on the senior trip.

Item 14: Executive Session 7:35.

**Item 13: Next board meeting March 20, 2018 at 6pm in student union.**

Motion to adjourn: Mr. Sampson second by Dr. Cryder

Meeting adjourned at 8:38.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Rebecca Cryder, Secretary