

**Tempe Preparatory Academy
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2018**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Lisa Borawski at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 in the Student Union of Tempe Preparatory Academy, 1251 East Southern Avenue, Tempe, AZ, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

2. Roll Call

Voting Board Members Present

Ms. Lisa Borawski, President

Dr. Stuart Newfeld, Vice President

Ms. Roberta Fisher, Treasurer

Mr. Richard Foreman, Member

Mr. Chad Sampson, Member (initially via telephone and arriving 6:30PM)

Voting Board Members Absent

Dr. Rebecca Cryder, Secretary

Non-Voting Board Members Present

Mr. Justin Hansen, Faculty Representative

Staff Present

Dr. Wayne Porter, Headmaster

Mr. Forest Valora, Business Manager

3. Call to the Public

None

4. Consent Agenda

Mr. Foreman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Fisher seconded. Mr. Sampson abstained. Motion carried.

5. Faculty Report

Nothing major to report as things are going well at the start of the 4th quarter.

6. Parent Organization Report

Dr. Porter reported that a check from the PO for the amount available towards the remainder of the locker purchase has been provided. The balance of the cost will be carried by the school and repaid by the PO over time.

7. PAC Report

None

8. Regular Agenda

8a. Headmaster Report

Sr. trip was reported to be successful – 32 students.

NHS induction ceremony was a great evening.

Dr. Newfeld suggested plans be made for evaluating the new Sr. science courses with: peer evaluation for content, teacher evaluation for pedagogy (as is current practice), student evaluations for content and pedagogy and the teacher's suggestions for improvement.

ADA/ADM – 419 total vs. budget 430 (was 435 on 100th day)

8b. School Finance Update

Dr. Porter referred to the financial pages provided with the Agenda as evidence that revenue and spending are at levels that were forecast. There is 137 days cash on hand. It is expected with summer projects to drop somewhat.

9. Commencement Speaker

Nominees: Dave Alexander and Keith Thurston. Additional nominations to Dr. Porter by the end of the week, he will determine availability and report back to Board.

10. Cost of Athletics by Sport

See Headmaster provided report. It is more cost conscious than prior reports by including cost of gym and field rentals proportionally to all sports by participant, AD salary and benefits distributed similarly with trainer salary and benefits distributed only to varsity sports proportionally by participant.

All sports operate at a loss on a per student basis relative to the fee charged. Even this is an understatement regarding Spring sports that have not closed out. Fall and Winter are essentially complete. Please read with care and provide feedback to Forest and the Headmaster.

Forest indicates other charters don't offer as many sports but their deficits are roughly equivalent on a per sport basis.

Forest also noted that undesignated tax credits and community investment can be employed to defray some of the costs instead of general funds.

Ms. Fisher asked about current participation by student (not participant) as some students engage in multiple sports. Dr. Newfeld asked for a 3-year trend in participation rates per sport. Mr. Foreman suggested that some costs and benefits of sports are not easily uncovered by data. Mr. Sampson asked for a discussion on how to adjust the fee?

Given the discussion, Ms. Borowski indicated that this topic would be agendaized for a future meeting.

11. Announcements

Ms. Borowski noted that the time to post an advertisement for more Directors is upon us.

12. Executive Session (none)

13. Next Regular Board Meeting

Scheduled for April 17, 2018, to begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Union.

14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Ms. Borowski at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Stuart Newfeld
Vice-President
03/22/2018