

Board Minutes: Maritime Charter School – December 17, 2020

Present: B. Tompkins, J. Eicheldinger, B. Bunny, S.Iraci, K. Terryberry, P. Payne
Others present: C. Oldenburg, Dr. Jetter, J. Melot, R.Oakes(Teacher Rep), K.Burhans,
Excused: G. Crawley, W. Vasquez

Topics and Discussion

1. Call to order: 5:18pm.

2. Review/Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes from November 17, 2020

Motion to accept: Joe Eicheldinger. Seconded, Karl Terryberry, Unanimous vote.

3. Invitation for Public Comment: None

4. Financial Discussion and dissemination of Kirsitz Financial Statements of Nov 30,2020- K. Burhans (under separate cover)

Net loss to date. Normal front end loading of expense and rear loading of revenue- Favorable to Budget

Enrollment Actual 468; Budget 478. Impact at \$13K per student has serious , not devastating, impact.

Cafeteria revenue vs expenses. Both are down

Cost of normal maintenance is slightly down.

IT services are slightly over budget due to setup of new school.

All-in-All, the financials look good.

IRS AUDIT- RA Murcer (Under separate cover) Some Changes to #990 Form

P1: New Address and Summary

P2: Mission Statement

P3/P4: Checklists

P5: Tax Compliance

P6: Governance

P7: List of Board Members

Cash and Student census down but not devastating

Question: Possible negative impact of long term drop in enrollment. Mitigation requires management of support like Cares Act Funding, management of resources like Chrome Books (B/O status due to high order rates worldwide and Chinese manufacturing supply chain.)

Remote Learning Challenge:

Some Cadets log-in at 8am and skip class

Second Semester Start:

Jan 4, 2021- WNYMCS opens for 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th Grades (Full-time, Mon-Fri)

Jan 5, 2021- WNYMCS opens for Juniors and Seniors (Hybrid Learning)

Jan 6th, 2021- WNYMCS opens for Freshman and Sophomores (Hybrid Learning)

Motion to Accept Financial Report: B.Bunny, Seconded; Joe Eicheldinger, Unanimous Approval.

5. Commandant’s Comments:

- BRIG MENTOR PROGRAM DISCUSSION
Brandon Crawford/Diamond King Williams: BRIG time becoming a positive learning experience rather than passing time.

- Student Population

<u>Middle School</u>	High School
5 th - 10 Students	9 th – 103 Students
6 th - 9 “	10 th -80 “
7 th - 28 “	11 th -108 “
8 th - 47 “	12 th -84 “
Tot- 94 Students	Tot-375 Students
Grand Total 469 Students	

- Joint WNYMCS and Buffalo and Erie Cty Naval and Servicemember's Park Meeting to develop history program, Encampments, Work Opportunities.
- Permission has been granted to test for Wuhan Covid19 in-house.
- The WNYMCS Vault has been accepted for test storage.
- Penny Payne Boardmember package in progress- No approval yet.
- Like all public schools, the impact of remote learning is great
 - Middle School Failure rate is 60%
 - High School Failure rate is 76%
 - URGENT NEED FOR STUDENTS TO RETURN TO CLASS
 - Concerns are with cadets with straight "0"
 - Concerns with cadets M.I.A.
- Jon Melot received 18 month mobilization orders reports 1/6/2021
- Dr. Jetter in Blue Ribbon School of Excellence study- 18 month program to focus on academics of Middle School. Tanya will assist.
- Construction Project-Dave Comerford
 - Elevator done by end December
 - Drywall/General construction is last of the installation items
 - ON BUDGET!
- Social Emotional Counseling
 - Contests for cadets
 - Holiday Cards for Staff
 - Identify Troubled Students
 - Damian Goodman, Brand Croft, Jeremy Breeden- Team effort/student support
- English as a Second Language (ESL) is very challenging
- Computers:
 - Everyone who needs one gets one. If Cadet's home has computer they use that.
 - Heather has used creativity to resolve data challenge-Excellent job. 3 computers broken and repaired.
- Faculty raised money for needy families.
 - Teachers helping students with one-on-one support
 - Buffalo State Students to help WNYMCS faculty
- No January Examinations will be held
- VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE scheduled
 - Cadets in Uniform-Best advertisement around town
- MARITIME DRAW RAFFLE-Move to suspend 2021 Raffle: BM Bunny; Seconded Karl Terryberry, Unanimous approval
- Motion to add Dave Comerford to WNYMCS Board: Joe Eicheldinger; Seconded, Karl Terryberry. Unanimous approval

6. Faculty Report: Rob Oakes- No Report

7. Parent Report: Karl Terryberry

- Attrition similar to colleges- alternative learning paths to education in future
- Morale down, general malaise
- Regents Exams Cancelled

8. Financial Report: Joe Eicheldinger

- See Kirsits remarks above and formal report under separate cover)
- Budget in good shape considering challenges of pandemic

9. Academic Report: Sam Iraci

- (See Commandant's report)

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10. Old Business:

- Video highlighting WNYMCS/Cadets
 - Disparate groups
 - Skills
 - Alumni

11. New Business: NONE

14. Motion to adjourn

- Made by Karl Terryberry at 6:48pm; Seconded, Joe Eicheldinger; Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernard M. Bunny
Executive Secretary