

Oceanside Collegiate Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
Mount Pleasant Waterworks Boardroom
May 24, 2016

- The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm on May 24, 2016 at the Mount Pleasant Waterworks Boardroom. The following Board members were in attendance: Mary Anna Lewis, Nicole Spencer, Kira Perdue, Gene D'Agostino, Marvin Arnsdorff, Danielle Traverse, Gina Wintz, and Nora Howard (via telephone). Mike Miller was present via telephone conference. Public notice of the meeting was made May 1, 2016 and confirmed by Traci.
- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.
- Marvin Arnsdorff read the Board mission statement.
- The Agenda was adopted by motion by Gene D'Agostino and 2nd by Pamela Baker. Acceptance by the Board.
- Enrollment – Julia Sampson, PowerSchool Registrar gave enrollment update as follows: As of 5/24/16 9am, 545 total students, 584 paid and/or sent the LOA. Breakdown by grade as follows: 9th 272, 203 paid and/or sent the LOA, 10th 161, 110 paid and/or sent the LOA, 11th 119, 76 paid and/or sent the LOA, 12th 32, 18 paid and/or sent the LOA. 16 open spots available. Kira Perdue asked if there was a deadline for students. Julia advised of the 15 calendar day deadline to receive the letter of acceptance and \$75 Instructional Supplies fee, and that she has been flexible with parents showing interest and needing special circumstances.
- Facilities Update- Mike Miller provided the financial update. He has been in weekly telephone conferences regarding OCA financial transactions. Per Mike Miller, by June 11/12 SC will issue a Bond for OCA. Before which, Governor Nikki Haley must approve the issuance of said bond. OCA is also awaiting the final approval for the purchase of the school land and will receive word after the final application is received. This will allow construction to begin on site. Gene D'Agostino asked if bonds are typical for charter school. Mike Miller advised that approx. 9% of charter schools seek and obtain bonds after school opening. Mike D'Angelo gave recognition to Marvin Arnsdorff for his efforts in obtaining the bond for OCA as this is an accomplishment. Kira Purdue asked if OCA will be land owners by Aug 1. Mike Mille advised that OCA obtained the Clearing and Grading permit on May 20, 2016 which shows wonderful progress and is great news. Mike D'Angelo distributed the Action Plan to Board members in an effort to members the timelines and speaking points in helping inform the community. Additionally, he advised that OCA is producing a lease agreement between CCSD to rent McClellenville Middle School to allow OCA to use this space as well as the use of Lincoln High School's fields, gym, and equipment only after the school is officially closed. It was the recommendation of Mike D'Angelo that the OCA board use McClellenville Middle School campus for instruction rather than Lincoln High School. Further he advised to work through lease negotiations with CCSD. Gene D'Agostino made a motion for Mike D'Angelo to continue lease negotiations with CCSD. Kira Purdue and Pamela Baker both 2nd the motion. Acceptance by the board. Mary Anna Lewis asked if there was a 1st Right of Refusal to include 2nd semester for McClellenville Middle School in lease agreement proposal to CCSD. Mike D'Angelo advised there are provisions with the option to add if need be. Mike D'Angelo further advised the board that an action plan for public statement needs to be in place no later than June 1st. Kira Purdue will spearhead with Traci Bryant-Riches, as well as with the assistance of the board, to formulate a public statement to include detail on transportation, timing of school sessions, school meals, among other details by this time to be able to disseminate among parents of OCA. Multiple options for transportation pick up and drop off locations were discussed and will be finalized for the public statement. Mike D'Angelo advised the board that McClellenville Middle School will be a first-class temporary location for OCA students. The board further discussed the next parent forum date, time, location which will be announced once finalized.

- Principal Update – Update provided by Traci Bryant Riches on behalf of Brenda Corley who was unable to attend because of family emergency. Brenda Corley is working on the following for OCA: Program of Studies, Safety Plan, Master Schedule, Student Schedules, Pre-Opening Requirements for District, Ordering furniture for new building. Additionally, Brenda and Charlie Stubbs have decided to use Tumblestone as the OCA photographer. Traci Bryant-Riches also discussed the use of CATE offerings next year. At this time, Brenda is looking at having one teacher teach two courses (Integrated Business Apps and Personal Finance) on line using a set curriculum currently used. Also, OCA will use Naviance for transcript and student data program, and Mastery Connect with OCA teachers (curriculum mapping, assessment, collaborative program). OCA will also use Planet High School and are working on setting that up to communicate with parents as well as teacher websites. Traci Bryant-Riches and Brenda Corley have been meeting and still have plans to meet with several on line curriculum providers. Some of the challenges that Brenda faces include: Not having a clear picture of who or how many students OCA should be writing a schedule for because of the increase in enrollment, the USC vetting when approving candidates and the search for a DE Biology candidate. Per Traci, Benda would like to set up a parent night for July 11th tentatively, and would like this to be called "Meet Principal Corley and Coach Stubbs". The second half of the night being about facilities, and a Q & A with architects and town people overseeing the project. Brenda advised that her last day as CCSD employee will be June 30th.
- Athletic Director Update – Charlie Stubbs provided update on hiring. All coaches hired with exception of assistants and volunteer coaches. All going through the vetting process. Uniform and equipment is challenging with ordering based on projected enrollment. Practice and Game facilities are a challenge in securing spaces for games. Summer workouts have been and more will be posted on OCA website. Summer workouts cannot begin until students are no longer attending their current school (June 6/7). MUSC has been providing free sports physicals for OCA students. Charlie Stubbs still working on creating schedules for OCA sports. Introduction of Diane Hirshman as Athletic Director Assistant. Sertoma Classic information provided.
- Financial Update – Mike Miller provided financial update. P& I Grant used in facilities, supplies, utility costs, personnel costs, etc. He also advised that costs will be correlated with enrollment numbers. In 30 days he will provide a proposed budget and request for approval from the board at that time. Working on BB&T relationship. 5013(c) received, sent from Traci Bryant-Riches to Mike Miller.
- Committee Update – No new committees needed at this time, however, Traci Bryant-Riches advised that once school begins, there will be a need for volunteer help and committees.
- Board Retreat Update - Board Retreat discussed and will be moved collate with board elections Oct/Nov.
- Student Handbook Review – The deadline for input is prior to June 15 so as to send draft to South Carolina Public Charter School District. All input will be sent to Julia Sampson to combine for changes. Gene D’Agostino made motion to approve the draft as is for changes. 2nd by Gina Wintz. Approval from board.
- The Board moved into Executive Session. No vote was taken during Executive Sessions. Motion by Gene D’Agostino to approve the Bond discussion. Danielle 2nd motion. Approval from board. Gene made motion for the board to approve with additions the Charter School Contract. Danielle 2nd motion. Approval from board. Gene made motion and Nicole 2nd a motion passed to approve Marvin Arnsdorff the authority to sign for the lease commitment letter and the bridge loan (CLI loan commitment letter). Next board meeting June 21st.
- Nicole Spencer motion to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Gina Wintz. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.