

Oceanside Collegiate Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
580 Faison Rd
Mt Pleasant SC 29466
August 23, 2022 4:00pm

- Board Members in attendance: Marvin Arnsdorff, Gary Nestler, Sandra Patrick, Greg Smith, Danny Johnson, Ryan Bartemeyer, Tony Zarzaca, Chris Swisher. Others in attendance were Christina Brown, Mark Meyer, Tyler Turner, Andy Patrick, Mike Miller, Linda Miller, Sandi Baldwin, Damon Stephenson and Mike D'Angelo. Danny Johnson attended via Zoom.
- Call to order: Marvin Arnsdorff called the meeting to order at 4:00pm
- Mission Statement: Marvin Arnsdorff read OCA's mission statement- Oceanside Collegiate Academy will serve high school students in a safe, small, family-centered setting who seek the opportunity and challenge of a rigorous curriculum, high academic standards, outstanding athletics while earning up to two years of college credit while in high school.
- Approval of Agenda: Gary Nessler moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Sandra Patrick. Motion passed unanimously.
- Approval of Minutes: Gary Nessler moved to approve the previous meeting minutes, seconded by Tony Zarzaca. Motion passed unanimously.
- Public Comments/Introduction of Guests:
 - Minde Herbert asked about updating the minutes for April, May, & June, requested they be up on the webpage two weeks after the meeting. Ms. Herbert noted that use of the executive session during a meeting was not utilized for the purpose she thought it should be.
- Athletic Director's Report - Mark Meyer: Max Preps Cup was won by OCA in SC which means we are the number ONE school in SC. We won the Director's cup and will be presented with a trophy during one of our football games. We have 203 athletes competing in fall sports. Cross country has an upcoming event and is having a strong start. We have hired a new golf coach, Rocky Catalano. We are interviewing for a new head coach for boys soccer. Oceanside hosted TCU's volleyball pre-season camp which was an honor for OCA. We are hosting Clemson vs Jacksonville girls lacrosse on 10/15/22.
- Principal Report - Christina Brown: She introduced our new Assistant Principal, Melissa McCants, who has a wealth of knowledge of dual enrollment, intervention and charter schools (came from Palmetto Scholars Academy). Ms. McCants is excited to be a part of OCA and is the parking

police in the mornings. Trident's D2L system is working well and almost at 100%. Parent orientation was well attended with 100+ virtual participants. All students should purchase a parking pass and park in the Oceanside parking lot during academics. We are utilizing the Carolina Park lot for athletes (during practices) as we have done for the last 6 years. We offer a shuttle service for the students as well as security checking back there as well. Charter schools do not get transportation from the State of SC. Coach Hollis is our Boys Basketball Coach and his daughter Braylen was diagnosed with Leukemia. Oceanside created a GoFundMe and the Volleyball team had one of their games with Lucy Beckham as an Orange Out to help raise money for Braylen. Football is selling T-shirts to help raise money as well. We are at full staff and recognize we are very lucky as there is a staff shortage across the state. Relationship building is what we are focusing on so we can continue to build the OCA family. Chromebooks and badges have been distributed. Our clubs are getting up and running with new clubs and more students getting involved. Schedule changes should be completed this week. Capital Planning Phase 1 is in process of getting the turf field completed. We are working on Phase 2 as well, which will be an athletic center so we can then remodel the school for more classrooms and storage. Project Based Learning is off and running with differing levels of training. OCA staff enjoyed team bonding and completed 504/IEP training. Scores are up and as a school we are excelling in academics as well as athletics. Tony asked about the parking and transportation to away games since volleyball is driving to an away game. Mark noted that transportation is offered to coaches, but mentioned it changed during COVID so that the bus would not have all the students quarantined. Mark is checking to see if there are options and will look deeper into this for better solution.

- Federal Grant Update - Sandi Baldwin: Oceanside is doing a great job with spending and claiming federal funds. For the 21-22 allocation, we claimed (and received) ~\$33K from IDEA, ~\$11K from Title II, ~\$215K from GEER, and ~\$469K from ESSER II. We are waiting until CIE opens up the system to submit 22-23 claims. For 22-23, we plan to use the remaining ~\$68K in ESSER II and start using part of the ~\$1.3M in ESSER III funds.
- Finance Update - FY22-23 Budget-Mike Miller- July marked the updated funding formula from the SCDE and we are trying to see how it will affect our funding. 21-22: We were in a deficit for the first time but that was due to paying cash the turf field. There has been a significant lag in submitting claims and receiving payment from CIE. Income for 21-22 was ~\$8M as compared to ~\$7.8 in 20-21. Expenses for 22 were ~\$8M as compared to ~\$6.2M in 20-21. This expense increase was anticipated and absorbed by

the operating account. 8/19/22 cash schedule shows ~ \$3.8M cash in the bank. Still have to pay ~\$150k for the remainder of the field. Good cash position for the remainder of the improvements and we should receive more cash from the federal programs. Marvin Arnsdorff talked about Bonding for Phase 2, but we need pricing prior to reaching out to the bond market. We are meeting with a financial advisor / planner that will help with this and steer us in the right direction.

- Operations Report – Andy Patrick: Oceanside’s academic results from 21-22 were outstanding and should be available in October from SCDE. We are celebrating the success on the field as well as the classroom. Financially you can not find another charter school in the state with this amount of cash on hand. We are in great shape academically, athletically and financially.
- Damon Stephenson is the Pinnacle Director of School Development. He mentioned the scope of Phase 1: Installation of (4) 50’ LED field lights, scoreboard, electrical receptacles around the field, and supporting electrical infrastructure; two hose bibs for water needs (i.e. ice buckets) and supporting plumbing infrastructure, and mounted pole to support wifi/security/HUDL camera. The scope was updated to remove the 30’x40’ light gauge steel shed built on a concrete slab with one garage door and one traditional door since it would not fit well in the current land area the school has cleared. Cost of the project is estimated at ~\$743K, but should be less since the removal of the shed (~\$68K). Stantec is finalizing the design of the project and is expected to file for the necessary permits in the short term. Project completion date is April 2023. Hubrich has not been paid as of the meeting. Tony asked if Hubrich can be penalized for missing completion dates or if there are milestones, so the Board can stay on top of this project. Phase 2 RFQ is out, and the deadline has passed for other options. The one bid was Hubrich. Per Andy the bid was out and this time has closed and passed. Christina noted the hardest part is getting companies to respond back in a timely manner. This has been an issue for a long time as we follow up but seems getting answers back has been the challenge. Tony mentioned when you do two phases with the same company, other contractors out there don’t tend to bid on projects.
- Presentation to Christina Brown, Chad Wilkes and Mark Meyer: The Pinnacle Trophy (between sister schools OCA and GCA) was presented to Oceanside for the football win over Gray.
- Board Chair report – Marvin Arnsdorff:
 - Oceanside filed complaint against the CIE and other parties. We expect a response within the next 30 days. With that being said we

can not discuss this as it is an on-going legal matter. Per the Post & Courier, we followed through with our lawsuit.

- Bylaws Committee Appointment: Gary Nessler and Nora Howard have been appointed along with legal counsel and Pinnacle to update the bylaws. Greg asked if the Board would be able to see those suggestions and it was confirmed by Marvin that the board will get final approval.
- Executive Session: Gary Nestler motioned we go into Executive session, and it was seconded by Ryan Bartemeyer.
- Executive Session-
 - Pending legal matter (response depends on served times from the ones served)
 - Transfer request
 - Grievance policy discussion
- Action Items:
 - To adopt the update Grievance Policy: Tony Zarzaca motioned that we should approve the updated Grievance Policy and Sandra Patrick seconded.
 - To approve the resolution to transfer sponsors and the letter to Erskine College and the Charter Institute at Erskine (CIE). Greg Smith motioned that we should approve these and Tony Zarzaca seconded.
- Gary Nestler moved to adjourn, seconded by Greg Smith. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.