

Oceanside Collegiate Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
580 Faison Road
Mt Pleasant, SC 29466
March 22, 2022
4:00pm

- Chair Marvin Arnsdorff called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.
- Mission Statement -
- Members in attendance - Marvin Arnsdorff, Nora Howard, Danny Johnson, Gary Nester, Greg Smith, Sandra Patrick. Chris Swisher, Eric Miller and Mike Miller attended via zoom. Others in attendance Tyler Turner, Christina Brown, Andy Patrick, Mark Meyer and Mike D'Angelo.
- Approval of Agenda - Nora Howard moved to amend the agenda to accommodate public comment guest, seconded by Sandra Patrick. Motion passed unanimously.
- Approval of minutes - 1-25-22 and 2-22-22 - Danny Johnson moved to approve the minutes from both previous meetings, seconded by Gary Nestler. Motion passed unanimously.
- Athletic Director's Report - Mark Meyer- see attached report-MaxPrep ranks OCA Athletics #45 in the Nation and #1 Public School in SC. MaxPrep ranks OCA Girls Athletics #8 in the nation and #1 in SC. OCA is in 1st place in the Director's Cup for 3A and has more point than any other school regardless of classification.
- Principal's Report - Christina Brown - Federal Grants - ESSR 1 is complete, ESSR 2 is processing claims for computers (63K). Monthly claims are continuing to meet goals by end of school yr. Included in claims are ceiling speakers in classrooms after installation in April, salaries and cleaning which are claimed monthly. NHS induction is 3/23/22 at 5:30. Testing season - April 6 WorkKeys and Accuplacer will be held at the school. Prom is April 2 at Shipyard Park. Theme is Oceanside 11. Spirit days are 3/23/24 at Mex 1 and Mar 26 at Stingrays game. Looking for English and Assistant Principal for 2022-23. Two staff not returning next year. Continuing to work on outfitting the field, fixing ac units and regulating temps in classrooms. School went through Safe Schools Training and Educational Podcast. ASVAB Testing done on campus. Scholarship totals are coming in from students. College Reveal has gone out to students in order prepare for graduation.

Academic school year for 2022-23 has been completed and ready for board approval. Gary Nestler moved to approve school calendar as presented, seconded by Greg Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

- Financial Report - Mike Miller - see attached report - Net income for February 2022 was \$128K due to profit earned in the period. YTD profit before practice field construction expense was \$440K compared to budgeted \$606K. Revenue totaled \$596K for month, vs. budgeted revenue of \$624K-27K under budget due to charter school revenue continuing to be under budget with since we are short of the budgeted enrollment of 675 students. Operating expenses were \$469K vs. total budgeted op expenses of \$547K-\$78K under budget. Only significant over-budget area was Athletics where expenses exceeded budget by \$38K due to all coaches being paid in February for their 1st coaching stipend & numerous expenditures for spring sports equipment. Cash balances increased by \$112K. Cash on hand approx. \$3.7M.
- Operations report - Andy Patrick - met discussing staff re: future facilities. Electric and water to turf field has been put out to bid and awarded. Waiting on permits. The lights and scoreboard will be next. Fieldhouse would hold athletic offices, weight room and practice area with additional parking, restroom and press box. Andy requested to continue to do due diligence in planning for the future projects. Gary Nestler moved to continue to investigate the above options regarding the fields and facilities, seconded Sandra Patrick. Motion passed unanimously.
- Chair report - CIE did not approve request to transfer. Remember why this is taking place. Audits were not submitted on time because the audit firm would not release the 2020 audit because the CIE made allegations of fraud and corruption which were unfounded. It took a year to get that in writing from the CIE to correct this allegation. The CIE said we did not respond. I refer you to the letter on 11-13,2020. 1-5-2021- again wrote letter to Cameron Runyon quoting Elliott Davis that they are withholding the audit due to allegations of fraud and corruption. 7-8-21 again sent letter to CIE reiterating that until they released in writing that there were no findings to the allegations, Elliott Davis could not release the 2020 audit. 8-30-21, 10-27-21 met with CIE reps and explained why Elliott Davis would not release the 2020 audit. 11-8-21 board wrote letter to CIE again confirming it was in the CIE's hand to get the audit released by stating that there were no findings of fraudulent or corruption actions by OCA. Still no response from

the CIE. 11-15-21- OCA board chair wrote a letter to the CIE administration in response to request of 2020 audit repeating previous stated information. Current status of 2020audit - it was released last week because Elliott Davis finally released the audit. 2020 has been sent to CIE and the state dept of ed. Result of 2020 audit - audit is clean. OCA is in excellent financial shape even as OCA was being put through the ringer by CIE. OCA leaving CIE because of all the reasons mentioned here and that Limestone is a better fit. Is the CIE retaliating for leaving - we think so. We will transfer to Limestone. It is very discouraging that we have outliers that are reporting to our parents that OCA is basically staying an execution in the next 30 days. 2020 audit had to be completed for them to get 2021 audit completed by early April. Tyler Turner had nothing to add at this time. Gary Nestler, we appreciate your engagement and encouragement and set a tone of positivity going forward. The board would like to acknowledge Tyler Turner for his persistent work in representing the board. Thanks to Ms. Brown for her assistance thus far and in aiding a smooth transition to Limestone. Thanks to Andy Patrick for his representation in the state house and his tireless work on OCA's behalf. Greg Smith - a year and half of taking time away from more important issues because of a single unfounded, anonymously accusation without any substantiating evidence has been a waste of time and valuable resources.

- Executive Session - Nora Howard moved to go into executive session, seconded by Danny Johnson. Motion passed unanimously. Board moved into executive session. Nora Howard moved to come out of executive session, Greg Smith seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Board came out of executive session. No votes were taken during executive session.
- Action item- Danny Johnson moved to send the letter to Molly Spearman, seconded by Nora Howard. Motion passed unanimously.
- Public Comments - Dennis Patrick - I want to go on the record for anyone watching. What I see from a parent's perspective is that it's hard to believe that it has been going on for so long. Either you believe CIE is corrupt & incompetent or that they are using this situation to push an agenda. I believe that board is correct. I looked at evidence/facts-looked at zoom call from Runyan with half-truths and thinly veiled threats, media story, etc. I can't believe there is no response from CIE. Parents are disrupting for no reason and I heard Runyan is trying to organize group to go to the state board to overthrow the OCA board. School is excelling at academics and

athletics in a short period of time. The real threat is continued association with CIE. The toxicity at CIE and people who are running it with no oversight is a recipe for failure. We need to get out of that relationship as soon as we can. I'm urging to use any tool to get out of CIE. We need to focus on the success of the teachers, administration and students are bringing to the school.

- Danny Johnson moved to adjourn, seconded by Sandra Patrick. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.