



THE CLASSICAL ACADEMY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC)

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019, 6:00-8:30 P.M.

NORTH CAMPUS — SECONDARY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM (TITAN ROOMS A AND B, 1ST FLOOR)

The Classical Academy exists to assist parents in their mission to develop exemplary citizens, equipped with analytical thinking skills, virtuous character, and a passion for learning, all built upon a solid foundation of knowledge.

MINUTES

	Allocated Time/Start Time
I. Call to Order (6:00)	1 min (6:00) (6:00)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The Chair (Mr. Moulton) called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm	
II. Pledge of Allegiance/Mission/Roll Call	2 min (6:01) (6:01)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Roll call: (Mr. Bennett; Here // Mrs. Goin; Arrived at 6:13 // Dr. Jennings; Here// Ms. Littleton; Absent in the Philippines // Mr. Moulton; Here // Mr. Rudder; Here // Mrs. Van Vleet; Here) A quorum was present.	
III. Approval of Agenda	2 min (6:03) (6:02)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Motion: Dr. Jennings moved to approve the agenda and was secondedDiscussion: None<u>Vote: By a roll call vote of 5-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)</u>	
IV. Celebrate TCA (Poetry Out Loud; High School and Junior High)	5 min (6:05) (6:03)
Action: (Harris) Motion: (Info) Rationale: to highlight accomplishments of TCA students, staff, and parents	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Poetry Out Loud encourages junior high and high school students to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation.Three students recited their poems. It was wonderful to see these students demonstrate their public speaking skills while building their confidence.	
V. Comments from the Audience (Audience members have 5 minutes to address the Board)	5 min (6:10) (6:10)
(NOTE: Per procedural rules if more than one person is speaking on the same topic we request that one or two specific spokespersons speak on behalf of the group)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">There were no comments from the audience	
VI. Comments from the Board of Directors	5 min (6:15) (6:10)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Moulton: Happy Birthday to Dr. Sojourner.	
VII. Board Development (Legislative Update HB1032 and Others)	30 min (6:20) (6:11)
Action: (Miller) Motion: (Info) Rationale: to keep up to date with legislative actions that could affect charter schools and to reinforce good practices of effective school boards	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Brad Miller, TCA's Legal Counsel, discussed the comprehensive human sexuality bill, HB19-1032 currently being brought before the Colorado Legislature.He reiterated that because TCA does not offer sexual education today, this bill will not affect TCA's curriculum -- or its approach to defer to our parents for the sex education of their children.	
VIII. Report of the President & Cabinet Spotlights	15 min (6:50) (6:30)
Action: (Sojourner) Motion: (Info) Rationale: to highlight cabinet activities (Pres., Ops, Academic Services, HR, and Advancement).	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Sojourner highlighted the following items from his report:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Summary of his attendance at the Colorado League of Charter Schools Conference	

- Positive State of the School Address given to TCA staff addressed the following 5 main topics;
 - Continuing excellence in student achievement
 - Smooth and diligent planning allowed extensive construction and facility renovation to occur on time and under budget
 - Strong financial position; model for financial excellence and transparency
 - Positive results from Annual Parent Survey
 - Optimistic and confident Staff Climate Survey
- Progress of Baseball/Softball dugouts
 - Noted that half the funds for the dugouts came from TCA baseball parents
 - Thanked Mr. Matt Moore for his enthusiastic and positive support

IX. Consent Agenda

2 min (7:05) (6:40)

Board Directed items to be removed from Consent Agenda:

Motion: (Vote) to file the Consent Agenda

- A. Finance (VanGambleare)
 - 1. January Financials
 - 2. Revenue Projection/Student Count Estimate next FY
 - 3. Internal Financial Control Report
- B. SAC Minutes
 - 1. Central Elementary; January 28, 2019
 - 2. High School, February 12, 2019
- C. Strategic Calendar

- **Motion: Dr. Jennings moved to file the agenda and was seconded**
- Discussion: None
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)**

X. Minutes: February 11, 2019

3 min (7:07) (6:41)

Action: (Swanson)

Motion: (Vote) to approve the minutes for the Feb 11, 2019 Board Meeting

Rationale: to review and approve the minutes

- **Motion: Mrs. Van Vleet moved to approve the February 11, 2019 minutes and was seconded**
- Discussion: None
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)**

XI. Discussion Agenda Items

A. Items removed from Consent Agenda

B. Cabinet Level Reports

1. Curriculum Review/Text Review (Elementary)

5 min (7:10) (6:42)

Action: (Jolly/Simpson)

Motion: (vote) to approve the changes to the elementary curriculum as stated in the read ahead

Rationale: to review and approve changes to the elementary curriculum

- **Motion: Mr. Rudder moved to approve the changes to the elementary curriculum as stated in the read ahead and was seconded**
- Discussion: There were no comments from the TCA community concerning the elementary review
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)**

2. Curriculum Review/Text Review (Secondary)

10 min (7:15) (6:43)

Action: (Jolly/Galvin)

Motion: (1st Read)

Rationale: to review changes to the secondary Curriculum

- The High School and College Pathways science curriculum review recommendations were presented and discussed.
- New textbooks for AP Biology and Intro to Environmental Science are being suggested, as are updated versions of our current textbooks for General Chemistry and Earth Science.
- The new recommended textbooks will be available for the TCA community to review from now until March 22, 2019 in both the High School and College Pathways offices.

C. Board Level Reports

1. Board Budget

5 min (7:25) (7:13)

Action: (Goin)

Motion: (vote) to approve the Board Budget for the 2019-2020 school year

Rationale: to review and approve the Board's budget for the 2019-2020 school year

- **Motion: Mr. Bennett moved to approve the Board Budget for the 2019-2020 school year and was seconded**
- Discussion: None

- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)**
2. **Quarterly FAC Report** 10 min (7:30) (7:14)
 Action: (Goin)
 Motion: (Info)
 Rationale: to review the FAC report and any recommendations
- The Board reviewed the FAC report with no comments
3. **Review Board Self-Evaluation Questions** 10 min (7:40) (7:15)
 Action: (Moulton)
 Motion: (Discussion)
 Rationale: to review the questions on the Board's Self Evaluation
- The Board agreed to add a macro question to the evaluation
 - Questions 39 (to be answered only by the Board): Is the Board effective?
 - Board members are asked to provide a written answer to the question no matter what score is given
 - The Board Self-Evaluation will be sent out on April 8, 2019 via Survey Monkey
 - All responses will be anonymous
- Break (7:21)
4. **Review Next Year's Board Meeting Schedule** 5 min (7:50) (7:30)
 Action: (Moulton)
 Motion: (1st Read)
 Rationale: to review the dates of next year's Board Meetings, Working Sessions, and Board Off-site
- The Board discussed having the Board July Offsite at a different location than last year to save money
 - Some Board members liked the idea of saving money but liked the idea of having the offsite away from TCA
 - Options discussed include TCA North Campus and The Penrose House; will look for other options
5. **Reschedule March 4 Working Session** 5 min (7:55) (7:35)
 Action: (Moulton)
 Motion: (Discussion)
 Rationale: to reschedule March 4, 2019 Board Working Session due to snow day
- The Board agreed to move the working session to August 1, 2019 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the North Campus in the Pikes Peak Conference Room
- D. **Board Communication** 5 min (8:00) (7:41)
 Action: (Bennett)
 Rationale: to develop and approve of communication update to community and to update the Board on e-mail traffic and distribution
- Celebrate TCA
 - HB1032
 - President Report (Dugouts)
 - Secondary Text Book Review
 - President's Report (Quote)
- E. **Closing Comments from the Board** 5 min (8:05) (7:43)
- F. **Executive Session (President's Bi-Annual Board Feedback)** 20 min (8:10) (7:44)
 Action: (Moulton)
 Motion: (vote) to move into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(f) President Bi-Annual Feedback
 Rationale: to give bi-annual feedback to the TCA President
- **Motion: Mr. Rudder moved to move into executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4)(f) President Bi-Annual Feedback and was seconded**
 - **Rationale**
 - Discussion: The Board and Dr. Sojourner entered the executive session
 - **Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)**
- G. **Future Board Agenda Items**
1. 5 Year Budget Projection, Info, Apr, VanGamplere
 2. Approve Next Year's Board Meeting Schedule, vote, Apr, Moulton
 3. Student Fee Schedule, 1st Read, Apr, Jolly

4. Annual Staff Climate Survey, info, Apr, Schulz
5. Curriculum Review/Text Review (Secondary), vote, Apr, Jolly/Galvin
6. Initiate Board Annual Evaluation Process, info, Apr, Moulton
7. July Board Working Session Topic Discussion, disc, Apr, Moulton

XII. **Adjournment** (Approx. 8:30 p.m.)

(8:30) (8:46)

- **Motion: Mr. Moulton moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded**
- Discussion: None
- **Vote: By a roll call vote of 6-0 the Board approved the motion. (Mr. Bennett: Yea // Mrs. Goin; Yea // Dr. Jennings; Yea // Mr. Moulton; Yea // Mr. Rudder; Yea // Mrs. Van Vleet; Yea)**

Rich Bennett
TCA Board Secretary