

Great Oaks – Wilmington
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes: May 15, 2017

In Attendance: Michael Maxwell, Geoff Langdon, Rob Snowberger, Sarah Hutton, Crystal Edwards (by phone), Chelsea Ringen, Kia Childs (staff) Jordan Jones (Staff), Nikki Darden (Staff), Patrick Ryan (Staff), Anthony Stanziale (staff), Mike McGregor (Foundation), Michael Duffy (Foundation; by phone), Rick Iandoli (Foundation; by phone)

I. Opening Items

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

Michael Maxwell made a motion to approve the April minutes. Geoff Langdon seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Head of School Report

Kia asked Patrick to update the board on athletic events and fundraisers.

Kia then gave a spotlight on staff appreciation activities.

We received a student recruitment update (109 first year commitments; 178 active applications) which is tracking similar to previous years.

We discussed the benchmarks from the third mock test compared to the first mock test of the year. A lot of growth was observed, particularly in 7th grade ELA.

We received a staff recruitment update. All teachers have returned intent to return forms. There are currently three vacancies to be filled for next year. There are 12 tutor slots open and 8 current tutors have indicated a desire to do a second year in the corps.

III. Finance

We received a finance update. Rob Snowberger made a motion to approve the web report. Michael Maxwell seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Information about finance training and governance training will be coming to the board soon.

IV. Executive Session

Michael Maxwell made a motion to enter executive session at 6:15 p.m. to discuss the pension committee. (Retention policy will not be discussed).

V. Return to Public Session

Michael Maxwell motioned to return to public session at 6:30 p.m. Geoff seconded.

VI. Other Business

The board was updated on leadership team members' trip to Sweden to observe sister schools and schools with similar models. Staff shared their ideas about aspects of the schools we could potentially implement at Great Oaks, particularly in the high school setting.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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