

# September 27, 2023 Casa di Mir Board meeting Draft

**Board directors:** Munjal Munshi (President), David Fortune (Vice President), Kavitha Parmesh (Secretary), Sonya Ahuja, Jane Mulcaster, Archana Purushotham (Treasurer)

**Staff:** Tyler Bourcier, Deepti Devanagondi

**Guests**: none **Absent**: none

**Called to order at 6:36 PM:** Kavitha Parmesh, Board Secretary **Establishment of Quorum:** Kavitha Parmesh, Board Secretary

**Agenda Approval:** Jane moved to approve the <u>agenda</u>; Munjal seconded.

Minutes Approval: Jane moved to approve the minutes from 08/30/2023, Archana seconded.

#### Casa Vignettes:

- Jane- In HOS update, there is a nice picture of when middle school students were exploring dt Campbell. It was really nice to see kids move up through the years to middle school
- Tyler- overheard a conversation where kids were discussing ethnicity, background and nationality. Really nice to be around that dialogue.

#### Action items reviewed:

- 1. Tyler to update volunteer opportunities with board sign up- Done
- 2. Munjal to draft newsletter- "welcome to year" newsletter- Done
- 3. Jane to send out Conflict of Interest to all board members to sign off on **Done**
- 4. All board members set up their one-drive account. WIP
- 5. Kavitha to send Megan Last Board minutes to upload -Done
- 6. Tyler to piggyback on Megan's November 1 update on one school.
- 7. Tyler to send out a list of events for board members to sign up for September- **Done**

## HOS update (Tyler Bourcier):

• Great start to the year with guest speakers- great reception and turnout and with teachers moving into more leadership positions, great to see the accountability

- On relocation- Moving committee and scope initiated. Estimates of many T1 quotes sourced out (multiple quotes per project to have a comparison). Plan is to show range of estimates in October Board Meeting
- Communication to be sent out shortly as a marketing campaign to get everyone excited about updates. Middle schoolers are starting to work on projects and seeding out ways to get community help. Someone from the community helped develop a 3D Rendering of the school to start building out plans.
- Focusing on sub-lease actions with California Sports Academy. Negotiations are still in process and hope to wrap up in the coming weeks.
- With regards to strategy- through staff, they have been looking at things that have been done, what still needs to be done, targeted events and streamlined sign-ups. Identified messaging documents that are centralized and put into place training. Lastly, content creation to engage and retain students for enrollment.
- Long term strategy- 2024 to 2029. Increased need and focus on special needs professional development.
- Board help- general contractor contact. Under the roof campaign bumped to January. Calendar year (FY24-25) may start x2 weeks later based on needs re: moving. This may be too much of a stretch. Consider 1 week instead.

## Finance Committee update (Deepti/Archana):

- Another expense is the open item that needs to be run through Linda to verify proper treatment. Could take weeks/months to get finalized (P&L)
- Bank Balance is high- should think about restarting the investment committee since we can utilize money.
- Kavitha to join finance committee; David to join finance or investment (need to follow up)
- Munjal to chair investment committee; Sonya to join investment committee
- Bonus discussion- based on net overage (post depreciation) and averages. Bonus pool lower than previous year mainly due to previous year having PPE Loan Forgiveness etc. Consider a special bonus post move.
- Archana approves the bonus amount, Kavitha seconded. Unanimous approval from board
- FY21-FY22 Filing discussion. No substantial changes to wording with few edits to names and phrasing. Board vote- Archana approves; Jane seconds. Unanimous approval from the board.

#### Board Meeting Updates (Kavitha):

Next Quarter Meetings- 10/25, 11/29, 12/19, 1/31, 2/28, 3/27, 4/24, 5/29, 6/12. 12/19 meeting in person with BYOD doordash. 6/12 in person meeting with dinner after. 1/17 tuition setting meeting.

#### Board Development Committee (Archana/Jane/ Tyler):

• Meetings set up with potential candidates

- Exception to allow more than 2 potential candidates join the next board meeting
- Have candidates prepped and submit LOI prior to the October meeting.
- Special meeting and/or special meeting to approve candidates.
- One Drive- migrate files to OneDrive in time for the October meeting.
- Munjal to act as an liaison to board dev
- Sonya to join the board dev
- Invite Program leads to present and meet the board

## Committee Goals(Jane/ Tyler):

• Recruit to capacity with a 3 year commitment while developing our pipeline.

#### Annual Board Retreat (Jane):

- To be held in January after new board members get onboarded.
- Tyler to ask Eric to lead workshop.

## Office Hours (Sonya):

- Part of 360 feedback was that Sonya would have office hours for faculty.
- Messaging sent out to faculty re: office hours by David or Munjal

## Standing committee reports:

Find the committee reports in the 2023-09 folder.

- Advancement Committee (Kavitha)
- Board Development Committee (Jane)
- Head of School Committee (David)
- Investment Committee (Archana) On Hold
- Finance Committee (Archana)
- Site Committee (Munjal)

#### Action Items:

- 1. Jane to remove access for google drive to old directors **Done (10/25/23)**
- 2. All board members set up their one-drive account. Done
- 3. Kavitha to collaborate with Jane and Tyler re: December in person meeting.
- 4. Kavitha to send out calendar invites for the rest of the year + publish calendar. **Done**
- 5. Archana to share investment committee charter with board.
- 6. Kavitha to send Deepti minutes regarding approval of FY21-22 Filing Done
- 7. Archana/Jane/Sonya to meet/chat to talk about potential candidates and potential screening questions and provide updates for the next meeting.

- 8. Tyler to migrate files from google drive to OneDrive prior to October meeting.
- 9. David to coordinate schedules for HOS committee meetings.
- 10. Tyler to send out and coordinate program lead meet and greets/presentations on a quarterly basis.
- 11. Jane to review the Board Skills spreadsheet and circulate for input. **Done**

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM: Kavitha

Next Board meeting: Wednesday, 10/25/23 6:30 p.m. - Zoom

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