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CCSA BOARD MINUTES

September 8, 2016

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Classical School, Room 124

1. **Call to Order:** Mrs. Tretinyak called the September 8, 2016, meeting of the Classical Charter School Association (CCSA) Board to order.
2. **Roll Call:** Tim Broeckert, Peter Chen, Melissa DeVantier, Dr. Bernard Mitchell, Sarah Roe, Anne Tretinyak, and Joanne Bielmeier.
3. **Invited Guest Attendee(s) – those invited pertinent to a specific agenda item:** Mrs. Christine VanRyzin
4. **Classical School Mission:** Mrs. Tretinyak reminded those in attendance of the mission of Classical School: *Building a just and excellent educational foundation.*
5. **Approval of Meeting Agenda:** Mrs. DeVantier moved to approve the agenda of the September 8, 2016, CCSA Board meeting with the addition of the Math and History proposals under Educational Program. Mr. Broeckert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
6. **Approval of Minutes of July 12, 2016, & July 19, 2016, CCSA Board Meetings:** Mr. Chen moved to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2016, and July 19, 2016, CCSA Board meetings. Mrs. Roe seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
7. **Board Committee Reports & Discussion Items:**
 - **Governance**
 - **Review staff feedback and finalize 2016-17 Strategic Plan:** Staff feedback was very positive. The strategic goals were reviewed for publication in the next *Columns*. Implementation strategies will be reviewed at the October CCSA Board meeting.
 - **Review feedback on principal interview process:** Mr. Broeckert reviewed the feedback from the interview committee, which was generally positive. The feedback will be stored with interview process documents for future reference.
 - **Review status of charter contract negotiations:** Mrs. DeVantier reviewed feedback from the recent meeting with AASD. AASD is putting together their edits to the contract.
 - **Educational Program**
 - Mrs. VanRyzin was present to answer questions regarding the three curriculum proposals:
 - **Logic proposal from staff members:** Mr. Broeckert moved to approve the proposal to eliminate the use of Book 2 of Traditional (Formal) Logic in 8th grade effective the 2016-17 school year. The English/Logic/History EPC will work on any pacing changes necessary to accommodate this change, as well as a logic assessment plan for 7th & 8th grade. Mrs. Roe seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
 - **Math proposal from staff members:** Mrs. Roe moved to approve the proposal to change the grading weighting in Geometry from 67% tests and

33% homework to 80% tests and 20% homework. Due to the nature of the proof work in Geometry, homework is corrected in class and should therefore not be weighted as heavily in grades. Mr. Broeckert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

- **History proposal from staff members:** Mrs. Roe moved to approve the proposal to move the study of the beginning of the Cold War to the end of 7th grade to more closely follow the Core Knowledge® sequence and balance the time needed to cover 7th & 8th grade history topics. Mr. Broeckert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
 - **Technology/website use in classrooms:** Mrs. Roe will conduct research on the www.goformative.com tool proposed for use in the 8th grade logic class by Mrs. Glenn. Dr. Mitchell will advise Mrs. Glenn to refrain from using the tool until the Governance Committee can work to define classroom technology guidelines.
 - **Writing Committee and Language Committees:** Dr. Mitchell will continue to pursue teacher leadership for these committees. Mrs. Tretinyak and Mrs. Bielmeier will meet with the teachers assuming leadership of the committees to be sure expectations are clear up front.
8. **Treasurer Report** – Mr. Broeckert will be meeting with Mrs. Chawla, previous CCSA Treasurer, prior to providing a report at the October meeting.
9. **Principal’s Report** – Dr. Bernard Mitchell provided an update on school operations. The class schedule for elementary and middle school came together with assistance from a variety of staff members. Dr. Mitchell is training in Infinite Campus and the teacher evaluation process.
10. **Program Support Reports:**
- **Mrs. Diedrich was not present.**
 - **Proposal for grades 7 & 8 field trip to EAA:** Mrs. DeVantier moved to approve the proposal Mrs. Diedrich provided prior to the meeting for the spring field trip to the EAA museum in Oshkosh. Mr. Chen seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
 - **Disposition of unused library inventory:** Mrs. Diedrich will be asked to provide additional information at a future board meeting.
 - **Mrs. Bielmeier**
 - **Enrollment update:** Approximately 180 students on waiting lists in grades K – 6. There are no waiting lists in 7th and 8th grade, and there are spots available in each of those grades.
11. **Public Comment:** Mrs. Tretinyak thanked members of the public for attending. Wendy Kohler suggested more communication regarding how funds raised by the Knowledge-A-Thon (KAT) are utilized. Uses are approved each year by the CCSA Board prior to KAT and are communicated in the *Columns*.
12. **Motion to Adjourn:** Mrs. DeVantier moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Roe seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.