**Oceanside Collegiate Academy**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**November 29, 2016**

**Carolina One Realty Community Room**

**Highway 17 N**

**Mt Pleasant SC**

* Chairman Marvin Arnsdorff called the meeting to order at 6:45pm. All board members were in attendance with the exception of Gina Wertz. Kira Perdue attended via telephone. Mike D’Angelo and Mike Miller was in attendance via Facetime. Also in attendance were Michael Bobby, Brenda Corley, Jermel President, Todd Helms and Traci Bryant-Riches.
* Public notice was made.
* There was no public input.
* Mission statement of OCA was read.
* A motion was made by Gene D’Agnostino to adopt the agenda, seconded by Mary Anna Lewis. The motion passed.
* In regards to the school and board culture, the 80/20 principle was discussed. Marvin encouraged the attendees to broaden the base of people who do the work, not just the 20% that typically do the work. Growing the number of participants can exponentially strength and broaden accomplishments. Encourage parents to become involved. Setting the standard of participation starts from the Board and goes down throughout the organization.
* Communication through social media and Planet High School is improving.
* Fins Club – December 6 is the club’s big fundraiser, the Landshark Classic. Club has raised $15K so far. Contributions might have been more but the corporate contacts typically need 90 days in order to contribute. It was suggested that a potential corporate sponsors be contacted in January 2017 in order to get their contributions designated for that year. Game tickets and tailgate tickets are $10 each. Todd Helms sent out invitations to all SC legislators. All school age kids get in free. Kira will send invitations to media to attend the event. All tournament promotional items have been sponsored. The trophy will be named the Pinnacle trophy. The Fins Club dates need to be communicated to all parties that have an interest in the meeting to make sure there is adequate representation. Nicole Spencer gave an update on volunteers for the upcoming tournament.
* Brenda Corley gave the principal’s report. The school had a fundraiser for Volleyball team which was a game between students and teachers. The teachers did a flash mob for the kids at Halloween. The school will start doing “Feeding Frenzies” between first and second session. Individual Graduation plans are in full swing. Brenda and Mike Bobby visited the Charter school district in Columbia recently and the meeting was positive. Dr. Lee Westbury, Director of Middle Schools and High Schools for Berkeley County, did a professional development day recently with OCA teachers. PTO would like to remain a separate entity from the Fins club. The first PTO meeting had about 15 people in attendance. The biggest issue that the PTO has is how to communicate with parents. They are doing the Harris Teeter school support card and are looking for volunteers to create the OCA float for the Mt Pleasant Christmas parade. PTO is doing an oyster roast in February. The principal’s newsletter was started last week. This newsletter puts all the info together in one place, 141 students on A-B honor roll and 52 A honor roll. Parents are complaining about the appearance of the webpage. Brenda plans to redesign it. Daniel Island magazine is doing an article on OCA and the story will be coming out this week. The intent to return form went home with kids today. The lottery starts January 2, 2017 and notice must be in place 30 days prior. Everyone has to participate in the lottery. The form will explain the priority process. Open enrollment is from January 1, 2017 til February 28, 2017 with the lottery taking place on March 1, 2017. It was suggested to do a Parent Forum in January. Jermel needs to organize parent forums in diverse areas. Fall sports awards ceremony is December 1, 2016. The Miltiary Magnet tournament was over Thanksgiving and the OCA basketball team won. Applications are being review for Head Football Coach and the position for Athletic Director will post soon.
* Mike Miller reviewed October financial summary. Line items were reviewed and the monthly budget is on target with what is to be expected. Funds will be tight until the enrollment numbers go up.
* Board nominations and elections must take place January 12-19, 2017 . The four sitting officers will stay intact. The remaining board members are encouraged to run. A motion was made by Pamela Leigh that the four existing officers remain on the board as the appointed members of the first elected board. Kira Perdue seconded the motion. The January 24th meeting will be the first meeting of the newly elected board. Voting will take place at the school in McClellanville. The nomination forms will be sent out via Planet High School. Interested parties must complete the form and pass a SLED background check. Staff gets one vote and each family gets one vote per child in attendance at the school.
* A motion was made by Pamela Leigh to not have a board meeting in December and that our next meeting be in January. Gene D’Agnostino seconded the motion. The motion passed.
* A motion was made by Gene D’Agnostino to adjourn and it was seconded by Nora Howard. The motion passed.