

Sarasota Military Academy

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

15 June 2017

Board of Director Members' Attendance

Present:

Howard G. Crowell, Jr., LTG USA (Ret), Chairman

Mr. Herb Jones, Vice Chairman

Ben Knisely, COL USA (Ret), Asst. Secretary

Ms. Carter Donovan

Dr. Logan Malone, RADM USN (Ret)

Mr. Kimball Bobbitt

Absent:

Frederick Derr, CAPT USN (Ret), Treasurer

Mr. Steve Herb, Secretary

SMA Administrative Staff in Attendance

SMA-COL Christina Bowman, Executive Director of Schools

SMA-MAJ Steve Kok, Director of Finance (interim)

SMA-LTC Robin Livingston, Head of School, High School Campus

Guests: Members of the SMA faculty and staff, parents and cadets.

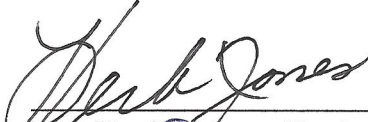
Location: High School Campus Gymnasium. The chairman called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Purpose of Meeting: Discuss the 2017-2018 high school schedule.

SMA-COL Bowman presented the history of the change in schedule for the 2015-2016 schedule change from the traditional 4x4 Block Schedule to the A/B Schedule. This history included a committee comprised of faculty, staff, cadets, parents and administrators who researched and visited schools in Florida utilizing a variety of schedules at the high school level. The committee determined the change to the A/B Schedule for the 2015-2016 school year. SMA-LTC Livingston continued the discussion providing insight into parent and staff surveys related to the types of proposed surveys. Both surveys recognized the 4x4 block schedule as their top choice. Discussion continued regarding the pros and cons of all of the schedules and what is best for the overall student population. SMA-LTC Donehew addressed the board of directors regarding concurrency of learning and the philosophy of IB.

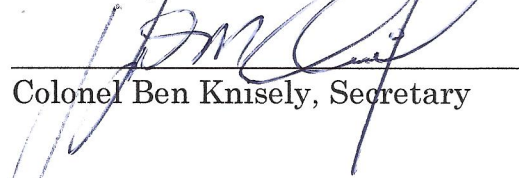
Hearing of Citizens: Communication from parents in attendance regarding questions and concerns was addressed immediately with no apparent gaps in communication or outlying concerns.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:45 pm.



Mr. Herb Jones, Chairman

Date 8-2-17



Colonel Ben Knisely, Secretary

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