

BOARD MEETING BRIEFS.

Date: February 12, 2021

In attendance: Board members, AAS Executive Leadership Team, Faculty observer, Board secretary.

The list below is the highlights of discussions and the Board decisions made at the meeting.

Finance and Facilities Committee Report.

- The FFC Committee presented the Preliminary budget parameters for the Board's review and/or approval. There were a range of viewpoints exchanged. It was requested that the Board FFC have another meeting to review the feedback for possible adjustment for the final budget taking into account suggestions shared.
- The current financial position for the year was presented and reviewed as well as there was general conversation about projections going forward in relation to multiple year budgeting models.
- The Board approved on consensus a temporary waiver related to the requirement to have no more than 30 per cent cash and investment limits in one financial institution.

PG Committee Report. The Board unanimously approved on the second reading of the revisions to Policy 4.11 "Transition in Learning and Closing of the School" (former policies 4.11 Closing of School Facilities and 6.51 Indefinite or Long Term Closing).

NKO Ad-Hoc Committee Report. The Board heard the report from the Board's newly incepted NKO Working Group and the Executive summary presented by Mr .Maga Bashirov, the school's Compliance director. An update on the School Status Transition had been shared through general updates to both staff and parents. More detailed updates will be communicated once we have receipt of the educational license as well as when we have a more firm timeline.

Director's Report Action items.

- NEASC reports reflecting on their preliminary virtual visit to the school were shared with the Board. The visit was successful and ascertained that AAS can continue with the internal reflection process in pursuit of NEASC ACE (Architecture, Culture, Ecology) protocol accreditation.
- The process for considering future Board membership was reviewed.
- Communications.
 - The Board welcomed the live spreadsheet incorporating parents messages and feedback to the Board.
 - The Board noted the community and staff demand for the Board's visibility
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 - The Board agreed to be proactive in Board members attending PTO events.

PTO Report

- Shared ongoing community engagement for PTO through Monthly Connect, social clubs, providing treats and gifts for students as well as running fun activities.
- It was noted that the regular student presentations at the PTO meetings have been and continue to be highly valued.
- The Board was informed that the PTO and AAS leadership are collaborating on the transition of the management of the PTO shop to the school.
- PTO Chair and Mr. Aydinoglu shared their reflections from attending the CEESA workshop on the School Head evaluation process.