

Lake Oconee Academy Board of Governors

Regular Monthly Meeting
5:30 PM, Monday, October 5, 2020

- A. Call to Order:** Mark Lipscomb called the regular monthly meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. on October 5, 2020. The Meeting was held in the gymnasium of the new student life center to provide for social distancing. The public was invited in person. No virtual link was provided for the public to attend in person.
- B. Establishment of Quorum/Roll Call:** Governors Michael Tompkins, Sarah Peacock, Richard Schmidt, Mark Lipscomb, and Kim Larkin, were in attendance. Absent were Freddie Evans and David Mapp. Also present were CEO Dr. Otho Tucker, Dr. Jody Worth and Dr. Chris Harth.
- C. Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes:** Michael Tompkins made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 31, 2020, regular monthly meeting which was held in August due to Labor Day. Motion seconded by Kim Larkin. The motion carried unanimously.
- D. Finance Report:** Dr. Tucker gave the August, 2020 financial report. A motion was made by Kim Larkin to approve the report as information. Seconded by Sarah Peacock. The motion carried unanimously.
- E. Parent Association/Foundation Report:** Allison Evans and the Kendra Van Mol gave the Parent Association/Foundation Report. Currently there are two programs underway to raise money during a Covid year. The first program is called “Count Us In”. It will include a fall fundraiser campaign, a winter program called “Pajamas and Pearls” at which local vendor meals will be sold for pickup and an LOA informative video will be broadcast via the Internet for viewing at home. During the spring they will sponsor a drive-by flower pickup fundraiser. The second program is called “Titan Strong” and that will be made up of Foundation board members and others doing a direct call fundraiser.
- F. CEO Report and Action Taken:**
1. Dr. Tucker discussed new board member financial training which was attended by Michael Tompkins and Sarah Peacock.
 2. Dr. Tucker gave a report on the ongoing school operations which have gone smoothly. Slightly over 90% of students are back in school the balance are being strongly encouraged to attend if their grades are suffering and, if the students are performing well, then upon presentation to the administration, and meeting the requirements to remain an online learner, they may be allowed to remain physically out of school.
 3. Dr. Tucker discussed the APSI (training for AP teachers) survey report which was a resounding success. It is a virtual annual training being handled through New Greene Education. There were 1200 teachers worldwide. A survey showed that 94% of

attendees rate the program as good or excellent and 90% indicated they would return next year.

4. The Greene County School District has sold a used bus to LOA for \$1. LOA has recovered the seats replaced some tires and is in the process of repainting the bus which will be used for activities transportation. After discussion, Michael Tompkins made a motion to authorize the repainting of the bus. Seconded by Kim Larkin. Motion passed unanimously
5. Dr. Tucker discussed whole board training which would take place in February or March.
6. Dr. Tucker discussed the need to reappoint one board member which had not been done due to Covid and to elect a vice chair due to the resignation of Byron Lombard.
 - a. Kim Larkin made a motion to reappoint Richard Schmidt for a new 3 year term beginning effective March 2020 and running through March 2023. Seconded by Michael Tompkins. Motion carried 4-1 with Richard Schmidt abstaining.
 - b. Kim Larkin made a motion to elect Michael Tompkins as the vice-chairman of the Board. After discussion the motion was seconded by Sarah Peacock. Motion carried 5-0 and Michael Tompkins was elected vice-chairman.

G. Closed Session: Kim Larkin made a motion to enter into closed session at approximately 6:15 PM to discuss legal matters. Seconded by Sarah Peacock. The motion carried unanimously.

The parties left closed session at approximately 6:40 PM and invited the public back in. Kim Larkin made a motion to exit the closed session. Seconded by Sarah Peacock. The Board officially exited the closed session. No further action was taken based on the closed session.

H. Adjournment: There being no further business, Kim Larkin made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Michael Tompkins. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.