Lake Oconee Academy Board of Governors

Regular Monthly Meeting 5:30 PM, Monday, November 2, 2020

- **A.** <u>Call to Order:</u> Mark Lipscomb called the regular monthly meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. on November 2, 2020. The Meeting was held in the High School. 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, Freddie Evans, and Kim Larkin, were in attendance. Also present were CEO Dr. Otho Tucker, Dr. Jody Worth, Dr Ashley Funderburke, and Dr. Chris Harth.
- **C.** <u>Approval of Monthly Meeting Minutes</u>: Michael Tompkins made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 5, 2020. Motion seconded by Sarah Peacock. The motion carried unanimously.
- **D.** <u>Finance Report</u>: Dr. Tucker gave the September, 2020 financial report. A motion was made by Sarah Peacock to approve the report as information. Seconded by Michael Tompkins. The motion carried unanimously.
- **E.** Parent Association/Foundation Report: Dr. Tucker gave the Parent Association report and the LOA Foundation report. The two parties are working together on an annual giving campaign which is currently underway.
- **F. Public Comment**: there was no Public comment.
- **G.** Special Report on Baseline Testing: Dr. Ashley Funderburke gave a report on baseline testing. The school is establishing a base line of testing performance for LOA using the NWEA MAP Program. It is a replacement for the Georgia Milestone Testing.

H. CEO Report and Action Taken:

- 1. Dr. Jody Worth, Chief Academic Officer, gave a report on academics and returning to campus. She is currently working on and reported upon, sustaining, maintaining and improving advances in teaching innovation. With the school moving towards personalized learning, after approximately 2 years of teacher training, the program is starting to show results. In addition, a new facet to promoting excellence in learning is keeping a close tab on student's academic as well as emotional needs due to the isolation brought by the Covid-19 Pandemic.
- 2. Dr. Chris Harth presented proposed criteria for determining whether or not children will remain in virtual learning/off-campus studies or whether they will be required to return to school in person.

- 3. Dr. Tucker discussed board member training which will take place, February 1st, 2021.
- 4. Dr. Tucker, Mark Lipscomb and Richard Schmidt discussed interviews with two potential new board members to fill the seats of Byron Lombard and David Mapp.
- 5. Dr. Tucker announced that he would be meeting with the Greene County College and Career Academy to discuss ways of making the program more workable between LOA and Greene County.
- **I.** <u>Closed Session:</u> Michael Tompkins made a motion to enter into closed session to discuss legal matters. Seconded by Freddie Evans. The motion carried unanimously.

The parties left closed session. Michael Tompkins made a motion to exit the closed session. Seconded by Freddie Evans. The Board officially exited the closed session. No further action was taken based on the closed session.

J. <u>Adjournment</u>: There being no further business, Freddie Evans made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Sarah Peacock. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.