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Oakland Military Institute, College Preparatory Academy

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday May 1, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location
Address: 3877 Lusk St. Oakland, CA 94608

Room: B104, B Side Building

In response to the expiration of Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, which temporarily suspended provisions of the Brown Act relating to public meetings, the Board will resume in-person board meetings.

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Directors Present
B. Cross, D. Clisham, J. Brown, J. Wire, M. Mares

Directors Absent
A. Campbell Washington, S. Bryce

Guests Present

14 other participants, C. James, C. Rodriguez, J. Pike, J. Welcome, M. Streshly, S. Delgadillo, S. Lipsey

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I. Opening Items

A. Roll Call

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Brown called a meeting of the board of directors of Oakland Military Institute, College Preparatory Academy to order on Thursday May 1, 2025 at 4:03 PM.

C. Adjourn to Closed Session

Jerry Brown called for the meeting to adjourn to closed sessions at 4:04 pm.

D. Reconvene to Open Session

Jerry Brown called for the meeting to be reconvened to open session at 4:26 pm.

Announcement of Action: No action was taken in the closed session.

E. Public Comment

There were no public comments at this board meeting.

F. Ordering of the Agenda

J. Wire made a motion to maintain the current order of the agenda.
S. Bryce seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Approval of Consent Items

A. Minutes of March 27, 2025 Regular Meeting

D. Clisham made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 03-27-25.
J. Wire seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. OMI Bank Account Activity (March 2025)

D. Clisham made a motion to approve the OMI bank account activity (March 2025).
J. Wire seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C.

Personnel Report

D. Clisham made a motion to approve the personnel report.
J. Wire seconded the motion.
Mr. Mares asked why the personnel report does not reflect what is displayed on Edjoin.

Dr. Streshly explained that some of the positions are being displayed as a pool so that they can have multiple candidates so OMI is not waiting for the summer to interview.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. New Contracts

D. Clisham made a motion to approve the new contracts.
J. Wire seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Cadet Commander Report

A. Cadet Commander Report

C/MAJ Bryan Ramos gave his first presentation as the new cadet commander of the OMI student body. C/CSM Keeghan Senft also made an appearance as he is going to working with Bryan Ramos.

Bryan mentioned activities like decision day, candidate introduction, and senior thesis.

- Seniors were finally able to confirm the college/university of their choice and were presented at the formation.
- There had been three candidate introductions at the time of the board meeting. These were used to have parents fill out their Aeries and bring the necessary documentation.
- Seniors were given a chance to present their senior thesis to a panel of OMI Staff.

IV. Superintendent's Update

A. Recognize Governor's Baccalaureate Diploma First Annual Awardees

Dr. Streshly began by letting the Board of Directors know that these six cadets have achieved the Governor's Baccalaureate Diploma. This is the first year that cadets have reached the threshold to achieve and obtain the Governor's Baccalaureate Diploma.

These cadets are:
Jose Delgado Castillo
Ngozi Onwuatogwu
Mmesomachukwu Ikechukwu Ozokolie
Angelina Wu
Anisbelly Malin

Gift Kofoworola

V. Information/Discussion Items

A. College/Career + Wellness Center Presentation

Tim Murray gave the presentation and explained that the counseling/Wellness center impacts the lives of these cadets in many facets like groupwork, instructional support, college application and financial aid, as well as one on one.

Tim mentioned that OMI has one of the highest Oakland Promise acceptance rates in all of Oakland. He mentioned that he organized three workshops pertaining to the business, medical, and STEM industries.

Some of the OMI classes got to go to various colleges and universities for tours. The seniors got to go to some of the colleges and universities that they were accepted to as well.

The counseling department has three tiers where they see cadets, and they give individualized support depending on what needs they have.

B. Cadet Performance: Math Review

Jonathan Pike gave the presentation and explained that the math scores from the ICAs (interim comprehensive assessments) indicate that the 9th and 10th graders increased roughly by 10%.

The 9th graders were given the 11th grade test so that they are accustomed to seeing the test. When they are in 11th grade, they would have been exposed to the visual and level of the test.

C. Financial Update

Jessika Welcome started by explaining that OMI is in a general hold until the Governor's budget May revise comes out.

There was not a lot of change between the previous forecast and the one from this meeting. Factors such as decreasing compensation and benefits from resignations, fundraising, and others contributed to a $35,000 change. The ADA target for the year was 456 and OMI came close with 455.29 which resulted in a $3000 loss in LCFF funding.

The 2025-2026 snapshot expressed that OMI is looking to have an average of 500 cadets enrolled with an average attendance rate of 94%.

Marc Mares mentioned that the kitchen project is still lingering in the background for OMI but Jessika explained that the project will be rolled out in June 2025.

D. CD Extension

CMSgt Thomas James explained that the CD was renewed for another three months, ending in mid-July. The opening deposit amount was $251,599.35. CMSgt James mentioned that a couple months prior, OMI decided to put around $800,000 back into the checking account and left the remainder in the CD cycling.

E. Recruiting Update

CMSgt James explained that OMI had candidates and parents come out for the third cadet orientation and it was a very successful event. OMI is projecting to have around 523 cadets starting in August. OMI is looking for more sixth and seventh-grade applicants in particular.

OMI has brought on two parents as independent contractors to help go out and spread the word about the school.

VI. Action Items

A. Approve Form 990 + California Tax Return

M. Mares made a motion to approve the form 990 + California Tax Return.
J. Wire seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VII. Standing Item: Review Board Meeting Quorum for next meeting

A. May 29, 2025 BM Quorum

Governor Brown (Yes)
Marc Mares (Yes)
David Clisham (Yes)
Anne Washington (?)
Joe Wire (No)
Simon Bryce (Yes)
BG Cross (Yes)

VIII. Board Member Comments

A. Comments

There were no board member comments.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

D. Clisham made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
J. Wire seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Brown