

Minutes of the 125th Meeting
of the Board of Directors of the
Alabama School of Mathematics and Science
Montgomery, Alabama
Friday, February 4, 2022
11:00 a.m.

- PRESENT** Ms. Pam Doyle, Dr. Sandra Sims de Graffenreid, Dr. Rhinnie Scott, Mr. John Peebles, Dr. Sandy Ledwell, Dr. Robert Boyd, Honorable Jo Bonner, Dr. Lena Walton, Dr. Alec Yasinac, Mr. Raymond Bell, Jr., Ms. Sheila Roby, Mr. Mike Windom, and Mr. Daniel Commander.
- ABSENT** Mr. Thad Wheat, Mr. Mark Foley, Honorable Alan Baker, Mr. Bragg Van Antwerp, Honorable Steve McMillan, and Ms. Sharon Magee.
- GUESTS** Dr. John Hoyle, Mr. Robert Campbell, Mr. Nash Campbell, Dr. Samantha Church, and Ms. Cecilia Godwin.
- OPENING** Mr. Robert Campbell, legal counsel, welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Mr. Steve McMillan, Board Chair, was unable to attend the meeting.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Minutes from the November Joint Board of Directors meeting and the Board of Directors meeting were presented for action. Upon a motion being made by Mr. Jo Bonner and seconded by Mr. John Peebles, the Board duly
RESOLVED to approve the minutes from the Joint Board of Directors and the Board of Directors meetings. The motion passed unanimously.
- TREASURER'S REPORT** Ms. Kristy Gunther, the Director of Finance, joined the meeting by telephone. She gave an overview of the Treasurer's report. This report represents financial activity for the 1st quarter of fiscal year 2022. While revenue is down when compared to the prior year, the last fiscal year included \$150K in grants for COVID-19 relief. Ms. Gunther pointed out in the report that expenses are also lower than the prior year. This is due to related Covid specific purchases which were made last year only (See report page 7).

**FINANCE
REPORT**

Ms. Gunther presented the Finance report to the Board (see pages 8-10). Ms. Gunther referenced the balance sheet which shows a yearly comparison of funds for quarter ending December 2021. Upon a motion made by Dr. Mark Suto and seconded by Dr. Lena Walton, the Board duly

RESOLVED to approve the Finance Report as given.
The motion passed unanimously.

**GENERAL
REPORTS**

LEGAL

Mr. Robert Campbell presented his report to the Board. There are no lawsuits, no pending claims, or threats of claims against the school.

ASMS REPORT

Dr. John Hoyle, ASMS President, provided several updates to the Board. Construction on the two outdoor classrooms, the pavilion and amphitheater are 75 percent complete. Good news regarding the science building, plans were submitted to the state for approval in January. After the state responds, we will address any required changes, and then the project will go out to bid. The school and ASMS Foundation are diligently working to secure New Market Tax Credits to help pay for the science building, while working on a capital campaign. Two mid-year vacancies presented staffing challenges. Alison Rellinger left her position as a Biology Instructor and Carol McDonald left her role as an adjunct Spanish Instructor to pursue full-time work. We have several longtime employees who will retire this year. In Student Affairs, mental health concerns continue to take priority. Counselors are busy daily meeting with students. During the winter term, COVID-19 continued to show up this year, we had to send 42 students home for experiencing symptoms. The Development office is keeping busy. Since October 1, 2021, unrestricted giving was more than \$77K, and restricted giving was a little over \$19K for a total of \$96, 727. Dr. Hoyle also provided a progress update on the ASMS Five-Year Strategic Improvement Plan (See report pages 11-16).

NEW BUSINESS

Academic Calendar 2023-2024

The Board of Directors must approve the beginning and ending dates for the 2023-2024 Academic calendar. Upon a motion being made by Mr. Raymond Bell and seconded by Ms. Pam Doyle, the Board duly

RESOLVED to approve the beginning and ending dates of the 2023-2024 academic calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

2022 ASMS Graduation Date

Graduation will be Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. at the Mobile Convention Center. Upon a motion being made by Mr. Jo Bonner and seconded by Ms. Pam Doyle, the Board duly

RESOLVED to approve the graduation date as Thursday, May 26, 2022. The motion passed unanimously

Memorandum of Understanding between ASMS Foundation and School

ASMS is excited to get the process started for the new Research Science Center. The New Market Tax Credit transaction requires a Memorandum of Understanding between the Foundation and School. The document explains the responsibilities of both entities as they work together to fulfill the ASMS mission to provide motivated Alabama students with exceptional preparation in the fields of math and science, empowering them to improve their community, state, and nation (See pages 22-26). Upon a motion being made by Mr. Jo Bonner and seconded by Mr. John Peebles, the Board duly

RESOLVED to approve the presented Memorandum of Understanding. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.
The Board of Directors will meet on Friday, June 17, 2022.

Prepared by:

Mrs. Pam Doyle, Board Secretary

Mrs. Cecilia Godwin
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