

New Orleans Military and Maritime Academy
Board Meeting
October 27, 2014
5:00 PM

Agenda

Roll Call – Col. Ebbert, Mr. Reiss, Mrs. McCall, Mr. Downing, Capt. Whiddon, Mr. Charpentier,
Absent: Mr. Hogue, Maj. Lemaire, Mrs. Bagneris, Gen Bergman, Mr. Bean

Approval of the minutes – Motion to Approve by Mr. Reiss, second by Capt. Whiddon; all in Favor.

Reports and Recommendations

Academic Update

Dr. Garcia reported that NOMMA enrollment for 2014-15 is 550 students with a waiting list. An academic open house had 59 prospective cadets and a total of 160 attending.

The Louisiana Department of Education has released the letter grades and NOMMA received a C. The grade is calculated by averaging the EOC and ACT scores. Since the School did not have a senior class, only 4 cadets took the ACT, and two who are not college bound failed. This meant that a score with only 4 results, an F, was averaged with end of Course scores, 600 of them, where the school rated an A. In LDOE policy it says on other issues that data with fewer than 10 scores should not be counted. Col. Davis will appeal to BESE. The written appeal is due Nov. 11, and BESE meets on DEC. 2. Documents related to this issue were distributed and are attached.

The court date on the embezzlement from 2012-13 is set for December 2014.

Financial reports – Ben Hicks covered the budget and statement of financial position. The cash position of the school is in good shape.

Construction Update

Frank Laurecella, the independent architect, reported that there will be a 70% design spec meeting this week. The plans will then be submitted to a professional estimator.

Legislative Update

LAPSC, the lawsuit challenging the legality of using state funding for Type 2 Charters, charted directly by BESE, will be heard in Baton Rouge on Oct 29, 2014. Col Davis will testify.

Public Relations

Nov 6 Color Guard New Orleans Police and Justice Foundation

Nov 11 NOMMA band World War II Museum, Veterans Day

Dec 7 Color Guard Saints Football Game

Development

Col Ebbert and Col Davis have met with prospects who are interested in securing the funding for the metal building renovation

Remarks from Board members

Col Ebbert recognized the School Leadership for the outstanding job that has been done to get the School to this point. The School is recognized as a leader in urban school systems.

Adjournment – Mr. Reiss motioned for adjournment; Col. Whiddon seconded. All concurred.