

New Orleans Military and Maritime Academy
Meeting Minutes
30 April 2019
5:00 p.m.

1. 1. Roll Call: Col Terry Ebbert, Mr. James Bean, Mrs. Erin Beaty, Mr. Doug Downing, Mrs. Carol McCall, Gen David Mize, LtCol Tom Shinn, Mr. Tony Staines. Absent: Mr. Peyton Bush, Mr. John Charpentier, Mrs. Nicole Finkbeiner, Dr. Marcellus Grace, Mr. David Welker, MGySgt Melanie Young. Quorum Achieved.
2. Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve by Mr. Downing; second by Mrs. McCall; all in favor.
3. Reports and Recommendations
 - a. Financial Report – Mr. Downing gave financial report.
 - i. Ahead of budget by approximately \$46,000
 - b. General School Update – Commandant provided the report
 - i. Community Benefit Report was submitted on time; annual requirement associated with NMTCs.
 - ii. Submission of Super App, federal and state grant submissions, was approved with conditions. Questions will be answered and resubmitted during May. The amounts reflected in the system are based on a percentage of 2018-2019 figures and will be adjusted when 2019-2020 allocations are finalized.
 - iii. The planned tall ship cruises for cadets during May were canceled as no ships could be secured for the voyages.
 - iv. NOMMA's 3D printer is fully functional. A technician/trainer was brought in to service the printer and get it online. NOMMA is pursuing purchase of a laser cutter to enhance the cyber lab capability.
 - v. NOMMA's SMI and Student Dean visited Marine Leadership Academy in Chicago to meet with school and MCJROTC leaders. Upon return to NOMMA, the leadership team met to discuss lessons learned and implementation of best practices.
 - vi. US News and World Report school rankings published. NOMMA is ranked 13 in the New Orleans area.
 - vii. The cadet change of command was executed successfully.
 - c. Academic Update – Principal gave the update
 - i. 8th grade completed LEAP 2025 testing before break. High school students began testing April 29 and will finish the 2nd week in May
 - ii. NOMMA hosted its fifth open house on April 10. There was standing room only. The only openings are in 8th grade. Additional open houses are planned on May 13, and if needed, May 29. Round two of One App ends May 31.
 - iii. The board was informed of the numerous end-of-the-year award events.

iv. Graduation for the class of 2019 will be held on May 18, 4:00 p.m. at the Alario Center.

d. Facilities Update – Commandant gave facilities report.

i. Current Food Service Management Company contract comes to an end in 2019. An RFP to select a new FSMC will be conducted during May.

ii. Bids for a yellow bus transportation provider will be solicited over the summer.

iii. Suite 104 in the annex will be converted into two classrooms to accommodate the additional eighth grade cadets expected for the 2019 – 2020 school year.

4. Campus Expansion Update – Commandant gave report.

i. Reported that ADD did not approve NOMMA’s campus expansion plan as presented to the ADD Board during January. Commandant requested to meet with ADD reps before taking action to revise the plan.

5. New Business

a. Initial discussion of 2019 – 2020 budget – Presented by Commandant.

i. Discussion of BESE proposal regarding teacher and support personnel raises (\$1000, \$500 respectively) and increase to MFP rate by 1.375%. Total of \$101M in pay raises and \$39M in general aid for school. The House of Ed Committee has considered and sent back to BESE asked BESE to reconsider and return with just the \$101M.

ii. NOMMA preparing budget based on student count of 950 (increase predominantly in the 8th grade).

iii. Budget will include new positions required to support larger student population.

6. Public Comment Period – None

7. Remarks from the Board – None

8. Adjournment – Motion was made by Mr. Downing. Second was by Mrs. McCall. All in favor.