

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
THE WOODSTOCK ACADEMY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ACADEMIC COMMITTEE
November 12, 2018



These minutes are for informational purposes only.

PRESENT: P. Paquette, M. Harten, V. May, J. Musko, H. Singleton, D. Walley, M. Eaton, J. (Jane) Pan
ABSENT WITH NOTIFICATION: B. Child, J. Musumeci Y. (Eddy) Chen

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairperson, Philippa Paquette.

2. Citizen's Participation – None.

3. Secretary's Report—Minutes of October 9, 2018

MOTION: (Singleton/May) To approve the Minutes of October 9, 2018.

Unanimous

4. Class Size Report

M. Harten presented Fall 2018 Class Size report. Recommended range is 18-22. Most departments fall within the range. Overall average class size is 18.2. Discussion followed.

5. Residential Life

M. Eaton shared that the students she spoke with miss some of the seniors who graduated, but that they are beginning to build relationships with the new students. They are a fan of the fan buses to athletic contests, especially at Bentley or on North Campus. Mr. Bottone and Mrs. Bottone, as dorm parents, have been a big link to the students attending volleyball and soccer games. Weekend trips are also popular. J. Pan shared some results from a survey she sent to residential students. The great majority of students speak English most of the time, are interested in sharing about their culture, like to learn, feel comfortable, feel included and connected, and have a positive view of their dorm parents. Lowest marks on cleanliness and food. Jane will share the results of survey with Mr. Rigney and Mr. Jenkins. Committee brainstormed other ways to connect residential students to day students, including local trips, karaoke nights, competitive events. V. May noted that decreased attendance/interactions among students is a nation-wide trend; students' increased screen time has led to a decrease in social interactions outside of the home.

6. Veteran's Day Programming

M. Harten shared the school's Veterans Day Programming on November 9. Ten local veterans spoke throughout the day to classes on North and South Campus and joined students and staff for lunch. Teachers signed up their classes for various speakers. Overall, the audiences for the speakers included over 1200 students. Thanks to Chris Jolliff, who did all of the planning and organizing for the speakers.

7. NEASC Update

NEASC Overview from the October BOT meeting was shared. Committee reports will be presented at faculty meetings throughout the year. Visit in Fall 2019.

8. Other – None.

9. Citizen's Participation – None.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: (Pan/Eaton) To adjourn at 6:18 p.m.

Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Harten, Ed.D.

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