



July 26, 2025
ZOOM Meeting
10:00 AM

Attendance

OBAA Board of Directors:

Present: Michael Hoover, Kyle Popek, Dave Zirngibl, Dan Koniecko, Michael Dayton, Pete Waskel, Sean Lane, Jeff McGlynn, Bill Sanders, Cory Byrnes, Mike York,

Staff, Alumni & Guests:

Bob Fine, Mary Loucks Voltz, Anita Kopaczewski, J Hankwitz, Lee Breitkopf, Kirk Langben, Reed Stoney, Crain Bliwas, Jimmy Hoover, Frank Mungo, Bard Bond, John Wetzel

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Opening Remarks:

OBAA President Michael Hoover called the meeting to order at **10:08 am hours**. Made some brief remarks about the tenor of the meeting.

10:09 hours: Michael Hoover asks for the last meeting minutes' approval. John Hankwitz motions to accept the last meeting minutes and Dan Koniecko seconds the motion. Motion passes with a unanimous voice vote.

10:11 hours: Michael Hoover introduces Guest Bob Fine (President of Academy) gives a brief introduction.

-The Academy enrolment is at about 192 so far upcoming year, opening at 220, goal is to be at 250 on campus by end of the year.

-We ended last year at 234

-Finances, First year operational deficit was \$4.6 million, year 2 was \$2.1, last year ended at under \$1 million. Hoping to be in the black by end of next year.

-AP scores came back for students, just under 80%, and the previous was 37%. New teachers have made a significant gain this past year.

-We have a couple of teachers that got everyone in their classrooms got 3,4,5's. huge improvement.



- The school continues to change the culture and climate and move ahead for what's best to make this a sustainable school. There have been a lot of staff changes for the better.
- Renovation of Chapel organ is almost completed, now we are looking for someone to play he organ since we do not have anyone currently.
- Summer has seen two adventure camps, a few lancers camps, JCLC camp with 320+ ROTC kids here in June.
- Collect \$12,000-\$14,000 in school rentals per month, trying to use passive income to make us more sustainable moving forward.
- Had a nice graduation, thank you to all that attended.
- We continue to build drone pilots and aviation, we did have a booth at EAA which has worked out really well for us. A lot of feedback toward the open houses because of the EAA.
- We anticipate 140 cadets, and the rest will be other students.
- Our marketing funnel is larger than it has been before, because of the changes we have made.
- Bob Fine will be at school through the remainder of this school year, not sure about longer than that.

10:14 hours: Michael Hoover asks if there is anything on the secretaries' report.

-Kyle Popek states there is nothing to report other than 5 vacancies on the board.

10:17 hours: Michael Hoover speaks on the need for secretary for the OBAA as Kyle Popek has asked to step down as of the first of the year. He will be reaching out to people but if anyone is interested in the job please contact Michael Hoover.

10:19 hours: Financial Report presented By David Zirndibl.

-Current cash on hand \$7,300.00 that includes \$5,000 in scholarships paid out.

-The \$7,300 does not include the senior steak dinner or awards from commencement.

-We are left with \$4,614.97 and it does not include the 5% withdraw from old trust.

-March 2025 numbers for Old Trust was \$73,561.29 and New Trust was \$45,152.87

-We should be getting \$3,500 from the old trust.

-Only income in the last 3 months was from Reoccurring donations.

-We need ideas for income, and people need to get involved.

-Thank you for the reoccurring donations!!

-10:30 hours: Michael Hoover asks for a motion to approve the Financia report John Hankwitz makes a motion and Dan Koniecko 2nds the motion and it passes with a unanimous voice vote.



-10:42 hours: Michael Hoover discusses the Pig Roast on the Fall Families weekend. That we will need volunteers to help the event. Michael Hoover asks for approval to continue the Pig Roast and investigate if Alumni can cook the food. This will be left up to the Executive Board, Lee Breitkopf motions and Dan Koniecko 2nds the motion and it passes with a unanimous voice vote.

10:59 hours: Michael Hoover discusses the OBAA Walkway project, the Academy asked us to use our “talents” to improve academy. A suggestion was made for filling the cracks in the bricks on the walkways. The OBAA will fund the of \$500 for sand and brooms to fill the gaps after the Pig Roast. Michael Hoover asks for Motion to approve, Jimmy Hoover Motions and John Hankwitz 2nds the motion, and it passes with a unanimous voice vote.

11:02 hours: Michael Hoover discusses the possibility of charging dues to the Executive board and Directors of the OBAA. The proposal was \$500 a year for the Executive board members and \$100 a year for each Board member. This would be over the course of the year, monthly or yearly, however you would like to pay it. There was general discussion about the proposal. This will be discussed further at future meetings.

11:25 hours: Cubs Brewers game this will be discussed further at the next meeting.

11:26 hours: May 1st and 2nd is Alumni Weekend

11:27 hours: Commencement Weekend will be May 22nd and 23rd, 2026

11:28 hours: Next meeting will be October 4th, at 10AM in the TLC room.

10: 33 hours: New Business, General discussion was had about adding a fundraiser to the Pig Roast.

10:36 hours: Michael Hoover asks for a motion to Adjourn the meeting. Dan Koniecko makes a motion and John Hankwitz seconds the motions. The Meeting is adjourned.

This report was prepared and submitted by Kyle F. Popek, OBAA Secretary, for & on behalf of the OBAA Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

Kyle F. Popek

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Secretary, OBAA