

AABOD Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2020
Map Room, Sonner-Payne

Meeting opened at 12:30pm

The chair welcomed the Board and gave remarks about the importance of committee work to the Board's efforts in all areas.

Minutes and budget review were tabled in the Secretary/Treasurer's absence.

Christine Meyer and Jenny Walton briefed the Board about the results of this year's J-Term. Feedback from students and parents was positive. In future years, the program may be expanded to include internships and study abroad opportunities. Christine then turned to R-MA's upcoming Giving Day plans, including the video and social media portions designed to generate enthusiasm for the day.

Jenny and Christine then proposed plans for Homecoming 2020, including plans for the Board to take on the cost of the Homecoming Dinner and Dance, while also receiving revenue from the event. The Board approved this plan and decided on a ticket price of \$50/person. Other major changes for Homecoming 2020 include separating the Homecoming Luncheon and the Alumni Association Meeting. Finally, there will not be an Academy-sponsored Saturday night event at Homecoming this year. Instead, staff have arranged discounts for alumni who show their nametags at area restaurants.

Upcoming events included the Military School Band and Chorus Festival, an Arlington Alumni Social, the April Ring Ceremony, as well as Graduation 2020.

The chair then turned to old business, including committee selection for FY19-20; however, given the absence of some Board members, no recommendation was accepted by the Board. Other old business included review of the notable/distinguished alumni project, including proposed list of criteria for qualification.

The Board further approved a \$100 reimbursement for the R-MA Bookstore's Homecoming 2019 coupons, as well as a \$500 room reservation fee for Bowling Green Country Club for Homecoming 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm. Select Board members then proceeded to the R-MA Hydroponics Lab for a tour with Biology teacher Lynette Lane.