



**Agenda**  
**Destin High School, Inc.**  
**Location: Remote/Zoom**  
**Date/Time: Thursday March 30, 2020 3:30 PM CST/4:30 PM EST**  
**Zoom links posted online**

**Roll Call**

**Participants:** Board Members – Prebble Ramswell, Denise Fountain, Heidi Locicero, Jim Luttrell, Sarah Stone, Al Gardner, Myra Williams, Mitch Silver **CEN** – Christy Noe, Lindsey Granger

**Public:** Janice Fergeson (DUMC), Jaff Fanto,, Caroline Hare (DUMC), Gene Floor (DUMC), Bud Weaver (DUMC), Katie Thillet (Jacobs Ladder), Rick Powell, Nathan (DUMC Youth Pastor), Travis David (CLI) –(on the phone), Mike Wind (Grace Lutheran), Roger Cox, Todd Burke (Lawyer for DUMC), Pastor Doug (DUMC).

**Vision**

Destin High School will be a model for innovation, providing unique educational opportunities for both college-bound and vocationally-minded students living along Florida’s Emerald Coast.

**Mission**

The mission of Destin High School is to prepare students academically, physically, and mentally to become responsible, productive, empowered citizens. Embracing the area’s history as a tourist destination, military hub, and “world’s luckiest fishing village” with support from strong public/private partnerships, our diverse and specialized programs will provide the foundation each student needs to secure a solid future.

We are committed to implementing a comprehensive framework for 21st century education that focuses on the skills, knowledge, and expertise students must master to succeed in work and life. Critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity will be embedded within the context of core subjects and interdisciplinary themes that will challenge our students, teachers, and school leaders to excel. A place-based approach to learning will take advantage of the local geography and community to create authentic, meaningful and engaging personalized learning for students.

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**1. Call to Order – 3:32PM**

**2. Committee Reports:**

- **Finance & Fundraising** – Reviewed current financial report, involvement of CLI, Travis presented option of purchasing DUMC Life Center for Year 1 and waiting to purchase rest of DUMC until DUMC had a contract to purchase with Grace Lutheran.

and need to continue fundraising; given current circumstances with COVID – fundraising efforts may be more challenging.

- **Facilities** – Discussed communication efforts with DUMC and involvement of Grace Lutheran; DUMC is not ready to close despite the pending contract because they do not have purchase and sales agreement with Grace Lutheran; Discussion about due to COVID-19; and any extension of contract would make it difficult to make necessary renovations to facility prior to school starting. Contract expires on March 31, 2020. Gene Floor and Mike Wind said that they would refund the deposit to DHS. (DHS has a deposit of earnest money of \$100,000).
- **Student Recruitment & Enrollment** – Students are confirmed and continue to apply but are awaiting confirmation of facility and hiring of Principal.

### 3. Old Business

#### ➤ Discussion/Selection of Candidates

Strong candidates, finalists to be made aware of any next steps and remain in the loop regarding any back-up planning; need to be the face of the school and assist with future student recruitment.

### 4. New Business

- M.W. made motion for ***DHS to defer for one planning year given the current circumstances surrounding Covid-19 and DUMC's inability to finalize a timely closing.***
- D.F. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, vote passed unanimously by Board contingent upon agreeing to future communication efforts with DUMC and the press.

Discussion ensued – issues addressed regarding impact on CSP grant, students and families, and language needed to ensure collaborative efforts are evident. Dr. Noe said she would confirm with FLDOE as to whether CSP grant could be converted from “implementation phase” to “planning phase”.

DHS confirmed with church that they would get \$100,000 deposit back from DUMC. Todd Burke offered to finalize agreement to be signed by all parties to terminate agreement.

### 5. Next Steps

Draft communication for Board approval for public; reach out to families individually, divvy up contacts among Board members; ensure communication regarding deferral is shared with district and FDOE (CEN to complete).

**Meeting adjourned @ 5:20PM**

