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**Vertus**  
HIGH SCHOOL

## Vertus High School

### Minutes

#### Monthly Board Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Tuesday July 19, 2022 at 4:00 PM

##### **Location**

Vertus Charter School

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##### **Trustees Present**

C. Gantt, D. Johnson, E. Gallina, F. Johnson, J. O'Connell, S. Ash, V. VanVoorhis

##### **Trustees Absent**

C. Garrett, M. Mandina

##### **Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

C. Gantt

##### **Ex Officio Members Present**

A. Brisson

##### **Non Voting Members Present**

A. Brisson

##### **Guests Present**

J. Locey, T. Hill

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##### **I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

C. Gantt arrived.

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

V. VanVoorhis called a meeting of the board of trustees of Vertus High School to order on Tuesday Jul 19, 2022 at 4:04 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes**

D. Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from the June Board Meeting.

S. Ash seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**II. Reports**

**A. Month At A Glance**

Ms. Locey updated the board on school activities, including that the students are back in the building and began summer session on July 13th. Upon return, students enjoyed the first harvest out of the school garden and hope to build a green house over the garden to be able to grow food year round. The school has also received a donation of two (2) passenger vans from Wegmans, which will be branded with a Vertus wrap.

**B. Board Statistics**

With graduation in June, the school has already backfilled the forty-seven students that have graduated, which keeps enrollment stable. Recruitment remains a large focus to ensure that the school meets its target goal come September.

**C. Recruitment Report**

Recruitment efforts remain a focus and total enrollment for the '22-'23 school year is trending higher than past school years.

**III. Finance**

**A. Budget vs Actual & Cash Flow**

Ms. Brisson updated the board on the budget of the school and ensured that the school is in its best cash position since its inception. Strong enrollment numbers into the new school year will help the school remain financially stable and achieve long term success.

**IV. Committee Reporting**

**A. Accountability Reporting**

Ms. Locey shared Regents' data discussed at the accountability meeting and plans for summer remediation.

**B. Board Committee Structure & Monthly Reporting**

Reviewed reporting chart to establish a timeline for future committee meetings.

**V. Discussion Items**

**A. 501c3**

Trustee Ash presented the steps necessary to create a 501c3 charitable organization for future consideration.

**B. Board Retreat**

The board discussed the need to schedule the annual board retreat.

**C. Investment Options**

Based on the discussion of our current financial status, Evan Gallina will reach out to our banker to discuss possible investment options.

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Action Item Review**

Review of action items assigned during meeting.

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
E. Gallina

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