

Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education

Regular Board Meeting - March

Date and Time

Thursday March 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM PDT

Location

Ventura Charter School
2060 Cameron Street
Ventura, CA 93001
Room 20

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND THE COMMUNITY

The Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education ("School") welcomes your participation at the School's Board meetings. The purpose of the public meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. We honor our partners in education. We recognize that we are a collective group of teachers, parents, students, and community. We encourage written and verbal communication. Your participation is vital to the healthy operation of our school. Our guidelines:

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting and online at venturacharterschool.org
 2. "Request to Speak" forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda item(s) or under the general category of "Oral Communications".
 3. "Public Comments" is set aside for members of the audience to address the Board. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to five (5) minutes each and total time allotted to non-agenda items that will not exceed
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thirty (30) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the opinion of returning with a community-requested item.

4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your request form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to five (5) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
5. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and affiliation with the School.
6. Community members may request that a topic related to School business be placed on future agenda in accordance with the guidelines in Board Governance Policy. Once such an item is properly agendaed and publicly noticed, the Board can discuss, respond, and possibly act upon such an item.
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8. Public requests for agenda and materials should be directed in writing to the Executive Director at lisa.h@venturacharterschool.us
9. Board agendas for regular meetings are posted 72 hours in advance at www.venturacharterschool.org and at 2060 Cameron Street, Ventura, CA 93001.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:30 PM
Opening Items			
A. Call the Meeting to Order		Tricia McClain	
B. Record Attendance and Guests		Tricia McClain	
C. Mission Statement		Tricia McClain	1 m
<i>VCS engages every student in meaningful and supportive learning experiences to grow resilient, educated, and socially intelligent human beings.</i>			
D. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting for February 23, 2023.	Approve Minutes	Tricia McClain	5 m
Board approval of the attached minutes is requested.			
E. Approval of the Agenda	Vote	Tricia McClain	1 m

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
F. Consent Agenda	Vote	Tricia McClain	5 m

All items listed under consent are considered to be routine and may be enacted by approval of a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the consent agenda upon request of any member of the Board and acted upon separately.

--**Ratification** of attached check register, purchase orders, summary of revenue and expenditures for the month of February 2023

--**Gifts to School:** None

--**Credit Cards:** February:

LHildebrand: \$1,933.40

CSandbach: \$557.93

--**Personnel:**

--Ratification of the hiring of Paula Gonzales as a .70 FTE paraeducator

--Ratification of the hiring of Erin Looker and Laura Bingham as substitutes.

G. Upcoming Events		Lisa Hildebrand	2 m
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--April 3-7: Spring Break

--April 16: EarthDay/EcoFest at VCS! 10:00 - 2:00

--MAP Testing

--CAASPP Testing Begins

--ELPAC Testing

--GATE Testing

--700 Forms due!

II. Communications **6:44 PM**

A. Public Comments	FYI	Tricia McClain	5 m
B. President and Board Report	FYI	Tricia McClain	5 m

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C. Board Committee Reports	FYI	Tricia McClain	5 m

Governance Committee: Cecilia Johnston (Chair), Dominic Aguirre, Tricia McClain
 Finance Committee: Tom McNerney (Chair), Liz Smiley, Cecilia Johnston
 CEO Support and Evaluation Committee: Tricia McClain (Chair), Liz Smiley, Cecilia Johnston
 Fundraising Liaison: Dominic Aguirre

D. Parent Liaison Report	FYI	Tony Biasotti	5 m
E. Teacher Report	FYI	Liza Scheer	5 m
F. Directors' Report	FYI	Lisa Hildebrand	5 m

The Board will hear a report from the Assistant Director and the Executive Director.

G. VCOE Director of Charter School Support and Oversight Report	FYI	Marlo Hartsuyker	5 m
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III. Items Scheduled for Information, Discussion, and/or Action 7:19 PM

A. VCS Mid-Year Family Survey	Discuss	Lisa Hildebrand	20 m
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A presentation of the results from the 22/23 VCS Mid-Year Family Survey will be heard by the Board.

B. 2022 Audit Report	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	5 m
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Board approval is requested for the 2022 Audit Report.

C. Ventura County Business Services Authority (BSA) 2023/2024 Contract	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	5 m
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Board approval is requested for the attached contract with BSA. VCS is charged a 6.75% fee on all revenues with the exception of local revenue (i.e. fundraising, donations, etc.). For this year, the projected BSA fee is \$402,820, and next year's projection is \$355,626. It's higher this year due to the one-time revenues VCS received.

D. MOU with Western Governor's University	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	20 m
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Approval is requested for the ratification of the attached MOU with Western Governor's University in a partnership to engage with the university for student-teacher placements at VCS.

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E. Resolution for a Local Teacher Assignment Option (Ed. Code § 44258.3)	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	10 m

Board approval of a resolution for the School's use of a local assignment option under Education Code section 44258.3 is requested. This resolution allows Ashley Johnson (Multiple Subject Credentialed Teacher) to teach as a STEM Specialist teacher. STEM is offered to our K-4th grade students on a weekly basis.

F. Resource Specialist Waiver	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	5 m
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VCS is in need of a Resource Specialist Waiver to allow our Special Education teachers to have more than 28 students and up to 31 students on their caseload. Without the waiver, Special Education teachers' caseloads are capped at 28 students. VCS expects that this waiver is only needed for the remainder of the 22/23 school year with caseloads reverting to under 28 in the 23/24 school year.

Board ratification of the attached is requested.

G. Short Term Variable Waiver	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	10 m
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Ventura County is experiencing a shortage of Speech-Language Pathologists. S. Melbardis is completing her Speech-Language Pathologist Credential in May of 2023. This waiver will allow S. Melbardis to work as a Speech-Language Pathologist at VCS through the remainder of the 22/23 school year.

H. Pioneer Healthcare Services Agreement	Vote	Lisa Hildebrand	5 m
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Board ratification is requested for the Pioneer Healthcare Services Agreement for Jullian Griffith to work as a virtual Speech-Language Pathologist to assist in making up speech services lost due to the death of Jami Beck and assisting with Speech-Language assessments for the remainder of the 22/23 school year.

IV. Other Business 8:39 PM

A. Future Topics	Discuss	Lisa Hildebrand	5 m
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- ConApp
- LCAP
- Off-Schedule Bonus
- Board Selection Committee Presentation of Interest
- CharterSafe Agreement
- Hiring of Sarah Melbardis, SLP

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B. Board Meeting Check In	Discuss	Tricia McClain	5 m

VCS Board Goals for the 2022/2023 School Year

Goal 1: Develop a well-governed organization- Governance Committee (Recruit diverse board members from the community, review/revise annual board survey, research a replacement for Board on Track.)

Goal 2: Students progressing towards the highest level of achievement.

Goal 3: Build community presence/outreach for a sustainable organization (Marketing plan, increase enrollment and a waiting list, create an online presence, promote VCS as a leader in education in Ventura County)

V. Closing Items

8:49 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Tricia McClain
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