



# Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education

## Annual Retreat - August

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### Date and Time

Monday August 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM PDT

### Location

Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education  
2060 Cameron Street  
Ventura, CA 93001

Room 20

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### 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](http://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 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 agendaized and publicly noticed, the Board can discuss, respond, and possibly act upon such an item.
7. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, the School may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modification of the agenda in order to participate in Board meetings are invited to contact the Director's office. To request assistance contact (805) 648-5503.
8. Public requests for agenda and materials should be directed in writing to the Executive Director at [lisa.h@venturacharterschool.us](mailto:lisa.h@venturacharterschool.us)
9. Board agendas for regular meetings are posted 72 hours in advance at [www.venturacharterschool.org](http://www.venturacharterschool.org) and at 2060 Cameron Street, Ventura, CA 93001.

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## Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>6:00 PM</b>
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<b>A.</b> Call the Meeting to Order		Liz Smiley	
<b>B.</b> Record Attendance and Guests		Liz Smiley	
<b>C.</b> Mission Statement		Liz Smiley	1 m
<i>VCS engages every student in meaningful and supportive learning experiences to grow resilient, educated, and socially intelligent human beings.</i>			
<b>D.</b> Approval of the Agenda	Vote	Liz Smiley	1 m
<b>II. Communications</b>			<b>6:02 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> Public Comments	FYI	Liz Smiley	5 m
<b>III. Items Scheduled for Information, Discussion, and/or Action</b>			<b>6:07 PM</b>
<b>A.</b> VCS Board Crew	Discuss	Lisa Hildebrand	30 m
The board will participate in a CREW activity.			

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<b>B.</b> Annual Review of Board Bylaws	FYI	Liz Smiley	15 m
<b>C.</b> Board Officer Elections	Vote	Liz Smiley	10 m
<b>D.</b> Board Meeting Date Selection 2025-2026	Vote	Liz Smiley	5 m

The Board will select monthly meeting dates for the 2024/2025 school year.

The 3rd Thursday of each month for the 2024/2025 school year are as follows:

August 21

September 18

October 16

November 20

December 18

January 15

February 19

March 19

April 16

May 14

June 18

<b>E.</b> Board Committee Membership for the 2024/2025 School Year	Vote	Liz Smiley	10 m
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24/25 Board Committee Members:

Governance Committee: Liz Smiley (Chair), Tricia McClain, Tom McNerney

Finance Committee: Sam Estes (Chair), Tom McNerney, Erika Dowd

CEO Support and Evaluation Committee: Liz Smiley (Chair), Sam Estes, Skye Stifel

Fundraising Liaison: Sam Estes

<b>F.</b> Board Self Evaluation	Discuss	Liz Smiley	20 m
<b>G.</b> Annual Board Goals	Vote	Liz Smiley	15 m

**VCS Board Goals for the 2024/2025 School Year:**

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

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

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<p>Goal 3: Build community presence/outreach for a sustainable organization (Marketing plan, increase enrollment and a waiting list, promote VCS as a leader in education in Ventura County)</p> <p>Potential Goal Areas for 2025/2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Facilities</li><li>* Board Recruitment</li><li>* Budget examination through stakeholder meetings</li></ul>				
H.	Executive Director Goals for the 2025-2026 School Year	Discuss	Lisa Hildebrand	15 m
<p>Board approval is requested for the attached Executive Director goals for the 2025-2026 school year.</p>				
<b>Other Business</b>				
<b>Closing Items</b>				
A.	Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Liz Smiley	