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Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education

**Minutes**

Regular Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday December 17, 2020 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

Join Zoom Meeting

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**Directors Present**

Adam Meyers (remote), Cecilia Johnston (remote), Deanna Weik (remote), Dominic Aguirre (remote), Liz Smiley (remote), Tom Mc Nerney (remote), Tricia McClain (remote)

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Ex Officio Members Present**

Lisa Hildebrand, Mary Galvin

**Non Voting Members Present**

Lisa Hildebrand, Mary Galvin

**Guests Present**

Laura Bingham, Marlo Hartsuyker, Rudy Calasin, Tony Biasotti

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Call the Meeting to Order

Tricia McClain called a meeting of the board of directors of Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education to order on Thursday Dec 17, 2020 at 6:02 PM.

### B. Record Attendance and Guests

Dominic Aguirre was present and voted on agenda items only after the Board voted to approve him to join the Board.

### C. Mission Statement

*VCS engages every student in meaningful and supportive learning experiences to grow resilient, educated, and socially intelligent human beings. Read by Adam*

### D. Approve the Agenda

Deanna Weik made a motion to approve agenda with the removal of item III G.

Adam Meyers seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Adam Meyers Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Abstain

### E. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 6-18-20

Liz Smiley made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 06-18-20.

Cecilia Johnston seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Dominic Aguirre Abstain  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye

### F.

**Board Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of 7-16-20**

Tom Mc Nerney made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 07-16-20.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Abstain  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye

**G. Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes of 9-22-20**

Cecilia Johnston made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 09-22-20.

Adam Meyers seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Abstain  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye

**H. Approval Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting 11-19-20.**

Liz Smiley made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 11-19-20.

Tricia McClain seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Tricia McClain Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Abstain  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye

**I.**

## Consent Agenda

- Ratification of attached check register, purchase orders, summary of revenue and expenditures for the month of November, 2020.
- Gifts to School: \$346. Farm Boxes \$371.70 Amazon Smile
- Credit Cards: MGalvin: \$141.89; Lisa Hildebrand: \$608.61
- Personnel:
- Acceptance of the resignation of Mahika Morin, para educator. 12/18.
- Approval of Kalie Crayne as long term substitute 30-90 days;

Deanna Weik made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items.  
Tom Mc Nerney seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## Roll Call

Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Abstain  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye

## J. Upcoming Events

- Winter Break: 12/21/20 through 1/1/21
- Special Board Meeting 1/7 noon
- PAC Meeting: 1/14 6:30 pm
- Regular Board Meeting 1/21 6:00 pm
- Semester 2 Begins: January 26, 2021

## II. Communications

### A. Public Comments

None

### B. President and Board Report

None

### C. Board Committee Reports

Governance Committee: Deanna Weik (Chair), Cecilia Johnston, Tricia McClain  
Finance Committee: Tom Mc Nerney (Chair), Tricia McClain  
CEO Support and Evaluation Committee: Tricia McClain (Chair), Deanna Weik, Cecilia Johnston  
Development Committee: Adam Meyers (Chair), Liz Smiley

No Committee Reports

**D. Parent Liaison Report**

Tony reported that PAC discussed the re-opening of school and waivers and there was no consensus of opinions. They also reviewed policies on the board agenda and had a lengthy discussion about the school lice policy, again stating that there was no consensus among parents.

**E. Teacher Report**

Laura reported that Friday will be a Spirit Day where all are encouraged to wear pajamas; Hannah's second graders created **self portraits for the Collective Community Portrait Project that is part of the Santa Paula Art Museum. Students learned about realistic, abstract and conceptual portraiture and then created their self portraits using oil pastels, paints and shapes. These will be headed to the Santa Paula Art Museum soon and will be on display; third graders are working on a Peace Project; middle school students working on a project called VCS TV; all are looking forward to winter break.**

**F. Directors' Report**

Lisa reported on the NWEA MAP testing; Mary reported that attendance was over 99%; and she and Bailey spent \$200K of CARES money that needed to be spent by Dec. 31st on COVID supplies and electronics.

**G. VCOE Director of Charter School Support and Oversight Report**

Marlo reported that the renewal petition will be accepted on January 11, 2021 and a hearing will be held on February 22, 2021. She also mentioned she will send us the MOU to be re-signed in tandem with renewal.

**III. Items Scheduled for Information, Discussion, and/or Action**

**A. Board Nominating Committee**

Deanna recommended that the Board vote for Dominic Aguirre to join the Board.

Liz Smiley made a motion to approve Dominic Aguirre to join the Board.

Cecilia Johnston seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Deanna Weik Aye

Liz Smiley Aye

Adam Meyers Aye

Dominic Aguirre Abstain

Cecilia Johnston Aye

**Roll Call**

Tricia McClain Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye

**B. Petition for Renewal Draft**

Tom Mc Nerney made a motion to approve the petition as amended.  
Tricia McClain seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

Deanna Weik Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Aye

**C. Visitor and Volunteer Policy Revised**

Item tabled until January.

**D. Independent Study Policy and Master Agreement Revised**

Liz Smiley made a motion to approve the Independent Study Policy and Master Agreement Revisions.  
Tricia McClain seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

Liz Smiley Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye

**E. Parent/Student Handbook Revised**

Mary presented revisions to the Handbook noting VCS Counsel's recommendation to change the School's current lice policy so that no student with lice is excluded from school per CDC advice.  
Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the revised handbook with Counsel's recommendation to change the School's lice policy.  
Liz Smiley seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye

**F. Title IX Policy Revised**

Deanna Weik made a motion to approve the Title IX Policy as presented.

Adam Meyers seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye

**G. VCS Safety and Emergency Policy Revised**

Item removed from agenda.

**H. Lease Agreement with St. Paul's**

Adam Meyers made a motion to approve the St. Paul's Lease as presented.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Deanna Weik Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye

**I. Future Topics:**

--Homeless Students Policy Revised

--Student Records Policy Revised

--School Safety Policy Revised

- SARC Approval
- Volunteer and Visitor Policy
- VCBE MOU

#### **IV. Closing Items**

##### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

Cecilia Johnston made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Liz Smiley seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### **Roll Call**

Tom Mc Nerney Aye  
Cecilia Johnston Aye  
Deanna Weik Aye  
Adam Meyers Aye  
Tricia McClain Aye  
Dominic Aguirre Aye  
Liz Smiley Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cecilia Johnston