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Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education

**Minutes**

Regular Board Meeting - March 17, 2022

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**Date and Time**

Thursday March 17, 2022 at 6:30 PM

**Location**

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### **Directors Present**

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

### **Directors Absent**

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None

**Ex Officio Members Present**

Amanda Aragon (remote), Lisa Hildebrand (remote)

**Non Voting Members Present**

Amanda Aragon (remote), Lisa Hildebrand (remote)

**Guests Present**

Laura Bingham (remote), Rudy Calasin (remote), 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 Mar 17, 2022 at 6:31 PM.

**B. Record Attendance and Guests**

**C. Virtual VCS Board Meeting**

Cecilia Johnston made a motion to Conduct the March board meeting virtually in compliance with AB 361.

Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**D. Mission Statement**

Adam Meyers read the VCS mission statement. *VCS engages every student in meaningful and supportive learning experiences to grow resilient, educated, and socially intelligent human beings.*

**E. Approval Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting February 17, 2022.**

Adam Meyers made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting - February on 02-17-22.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**F. Approval of the Agenda**

Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the agenda for the March 17, 2022 board meeting.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**G. Consent Agenda**

Adam Meyers made a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

--Ratification of attached check register, purchase orders, summary of revenue and expenditures for the month of February, 2022.

--Gifts to School: None

--Credit Cards: LHildebrand: \$1,913.94 ; AAragon: \$583.82

--Personnel: None

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

**Roll Call**

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

**H. Upcoming Events**

--PAC Meeting - April 2022, date TBD @6:30pm via Zoom

--VCS Board Meeting - April 2022, date TBD, @6:30pm

--700 Forms due from every Board Member by March 31st

--Campout April 20 - 22, 2022 at Steckel Park

## II. Communications

### A. Public Comments

None

### B. President and Board Report

None

### C. Board Committee Reports

Governance Committee reported that they met and were working on board recruitment. They are hoping to recruit alumni and former parents to serve on the board. They are also contacting all current board members about term extensions.

CEO Support and Evaluation Committee met to discuss the Executive Director's mid-year evaluation.

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

### D. Parent Liaison Report

Tony Biassotti reported that the PAC met on March 10, 2022 and discussed the VCS Safety Plan.

### E. Teacher Report

Laura Bingham reported on MAP testing.

### F. Directors' Report

Amanda Aragon, Assistant Director, reported on:

--Winter Map Testing completion

--COVID Update - no cases in the last two weeks, 3/14/22 was the first day with optional masking.

--Grade level meeting recommencing after Spring Break.

--Update on ELA curriculum decision

--PARSEC Dashboard

Lisa Hildebrand, Executive Director, reported on:

--ELPAC, GATE, PFT, MAP (K-2), and CAASPP will be completed before the end of the year. Amanda will be ensuring that these assessments happen.

- Brought vaccinated parents back on campus.
- CCSA conference
- The LCAP Survey has been distributed to parents for input on the 2022/2023 LCAP

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

Marlo was not in attendance.

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

**A. COVID Update**

A COVID update was given. Cases continue to decline, testing continues, and vaccinated parents are being welcomed back on campus. In accordance with State guidelines, masks are now optional for students and staff.

**B. VCS Safety Plan**

The Board approved the VCS School Safety Plan after staff, School Safety Committee and PAC had a chance for input. Cecilia Johnston made a motion to approve the VCS Comprehensive School Safety Plan. Liz Smiley seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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

**C. Board Committee Membership**

No action was taken on this item. The Board Committee memberships remain the same.

**D. Board Meeting Dates for the Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year**

The Board voted to change the April meeting from April 21st to April 28th, 2022 due to a conflict with Campout, and to change the May 19th meeting to May 26th, 2022 due to a conflict of a Board member. Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the Board meeting dates for the remainder of the 2021/2022 school year. Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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

**IV. Other Business**

**A. Future Topics**

VCS 2022/2023 school budget.  
Review of 2021/2022 LCAP.  
Approval of 2022/2023 LCAP.

**B. Board Meeting Check In**

A check-in discussion was held.

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tricia McClain

Liz Smiley made a motion to adjourn the meeting.  
Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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