

Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting - May

Date and Time

Tuesday May 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Location

Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education
2060 Cameron Street
Ventura, CA 93001
Room 20

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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".
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Directors Present

Cecilia Johnston, Liz Smiley, Tom Mc Nerney, Tricia McClain

Directors Absent

Dominic Aguirre

Ex Officio Members Present

Lisa Hildebrand

Non Voting Members Present

Lisa Hildebrand

Guests Present

IRhode@vcoe.org, Liza Scheer, Rudy Calasin, Tony Biasotti

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 Tuesday May 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Mission Statement

Cecilia Johnston read the VCS Mission Statement.

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

D. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting for April 20, 2023

Liz Smiley made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting - April on 04-20-23.

Tricia McClain seconded the motion.

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

E. Approval of the Agenda

Items E, F, and H were removed from the Agenda.

Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the amended agenda.

Cecilia Johnston seconded the motion.

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

F. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda Items

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

--**Gifts to School:**

Paypal - \$200 from A Kylie Riley for end of the year Middle School Party

Paypal- \$50 from Christopher Leslie for the school play

Paypal- \$100 from Jackie Sepulveda for the school play

Paypal- \$200 Aki Freshman for the school play

Total is \$550

--**Credit Cards:** April:

LHildebrand: \$1,261.12

CSandbach: \$1,357.12

--**Personnel:**

--Hiring of Leticia Hernandez, custodian, .78 FTE

Tom Mc Nerney made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

G. Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events

- June 13 - Promotion - 4:45pm - picnic starts, 5:30pm ceremony
- June 14 - Last day of school
- June 15 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- July 3 - July 31 - Office Closed
- GATE Testing

II. Communications

A. Public Comments

None.

B. President and Board Report

None.

C. Board Committee Reports

The CEO Support and Evaluation Committee will meet before the June Board Meeting.
The Governance Committee is interviewing a Board candidate with the Board Selection Committee before the June Board Meeting.

D. Parent Liaison Report

None

E. Teacher Report

Liza reported on the culminations of the projects that the teachers are working on.
3rd grade - Watershed Project
1st Grade - Birds
2nd Grade - Dinosaurs

F. Directors' Report

The Executive Director reported on:
- VCS hired two teachers for the 23/24 school year
- Kindergarten Orientation was held on May 17
- The 5/6 and 7/8 have camping trips scheduled for May
- 6th grade had their production of Oliver in May
- Christi and Lisa held post inquiry meetings individually with all classroom teachers, special education teachers, and intervention teachers.

- Joe Granados (School Counselor), Rachel Fulton (1st/2nd grade teacher) and Anya Tobin (Special Education teacher) attended a site seminar with me at Conway Elementary School in Escondido, CA. We were excited to spend two full days at this school learning about how they live the CREW spirit and EL Education principles. We brought home a lot to share!

- We had two projects win Impact II awards this year!

- Holly Johnson - KDG for A World of Feelings - Understanding our emotions to help ourselves and others thrive
- Emily Noel, Hector Rodriguez, and Michelle Wilson - 3rd grade - Mini Libraries: Access to Books for ALL!

G. VCOE Director of Charter School Support and Oversight Report

None.

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

A. Local Control and Accountability Plan

The public hearing for the 2023/2024 LCAP was presented.

B. Revised 2023-2024 VCS Calendar

Cecilia Johnston made a motion to approve the revised 2023/2024 VCS school calendar. Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

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

C. MOU with Ventura County Indian Education Consortium

The MOU with Ventura County Indian Education Consortium was erroneously placed on the Agenda as a discussion item instead of an item up for a vote. This MOU will be placed on the June 2023 Board Meeting Agenda.

D. Board on Track Contract

Liz Smiley made a motion to approve the Board on Track contract for the 2023/2024 school year.

Tom Mc Nerney seconded the motion.

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

E. 457(b) Plan Resolution #23-24-01

This item was removed from the Agenda.

F. Authorization to allow Temporary Loans Between District Funds Resolution #23-24-02

This item was removed from the Agenda.

G. Authorization to allow Appropriation Transfers Resolution #23-24-03

Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the Resolution to Allow Appropriation Transfers by BSA.

Cecilia Johnston seconded the motion.

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

H. Authorization to Allow the Board to Improve Compensation for Certain Categories of Employees Resolution #23-24-04

This item was removed from the Agenda.

I. Certification of Signatures

Tom Mc Nerney made a motion to approve the Certification of Signatures.

Tricia McClain seconded the motion.

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

IV. Other Business

A. Future Topics

--ConApp

--LCAP

--Off-Schedule Bonus

--Board Selection Committee Presentation of Interest

--CharterSafe Agreement

B. Board Meeting Check In

The Board reviewed their 2022/2023 Board Goals.

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

A.

Adjourn Meeting

Cecilia Johnston made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Liz Smiley seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cecilia Johnston