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Minutes

Regular Board Meeting - January

Date and Time
Thursday January 18, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Location
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 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 agendized 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.
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9. Board agendas for regular meetings are posted 72 hours in advance at www.venturacharterschool.org and at 2060 Cameron Street, Ventura, CA 93001.

Directors Present
Cecilia Johnston, Dominic Aguirre, Tom Mc Nerney, Tricia McClain

Directors Absent
Liz Smiley, Skye Stifel

Ex Officio Members Present
Christi Sandbach, Lisa Hildebrand

Guests Present
Mahika Morin, Tony Biasotti

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Tom Mc Nerney called a meeting of the board of directors of Ventura Charter School of Arts and Global Education to order on Thursday Jan 18, 2024 at 6:32 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Mission Statement

The VCS mission was read by Cece Johnston.

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 November, 2023

Dominic Aguirre made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting - November on 11-14-23.
Tricia McClain seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Approval of the Agenda

Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the agenda.
Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Consent Agenda

Board approval was requested for the following:

--**Ratification** of attached check register, purchase orders, summary of revenue and expenditures for the months of November and December 2023.
--**Gifts to School**: none

--**Credit Cards**:

November:
LHildebrand: $1,719.57
CSandbach**:** $128.20

December:
LHildebrand: $8,815.48
CSandbach: $2,360.04

-Personnel:
--Substitute Teachers: Sierra Schlesinger, Phillip Santiago, Dawn Blauer, Rugile Pekinas
--Substitute Paraeducators: Kathy Marin, Harmony Eckberg
--1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher: Leah Kahler

--Resignations: Zoe Manoguerra
Cecilia Johnston made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
Tricia McClain seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

G. Upcoming Events

--700 Forms due now
--January 22nd - VCS Anual Programmatic Audit at VCOE - 6:00PM
--January 25th - Challenge Day with 7th/8th graders - 7:30 - 3:30
--January 29th - Beginning of 2nd semester
--February 5th - Teacher In-Service Day
--Tuesday, February 13th - VCS Board Meeting - *Change of Date*
--February 16th - 19th - No School, Presidents' Weekend

II. Communications

A. Public Comments

There was one public comment requesting more field trips.

B. President and Board Report

Liz Smiley sent an email to the board encouraging members to attend the 2024 EL Education National Conference in Atlanta, GA.

C. Board Committee Reports

Cece reported that the Governance Committee is waiting to receive applications from interested persons before scheduling interviews for prospective Board Members.

D. Parent Liaison Report

Lisa Hildebrand presented that PAC discussed parent drivers on field trips. It was decided there were not enough parents willing to drive on field trips. The SARC and LCAP Mid-Year Review was also discussed.

E. Staff/Teacher Report

A slide show was shared highlighting the 7/8 Expedition on student mental health.

F. Directors' Report

Assistant Director Report
* Teachers are working on creating new report cards k-8.
* Christi is observing teachers for teacher growth and evaluation.
* Christi has been busy covering Room 13 until Jenny returns.

* Four staff members will be traveling to the Plain Talk Reading Conference from January 31-February 2 in New Orleans.

Executive Director Report
* Accadiance and MAP Growth testing are taking place during January.
* Math Intervention will begin in February.
* VCS teachers have completed our Staff Agreements.
* We are preparing for our Mid-Year Review with EL Education in February.

G. VCOE Director of Charter School Support and Oversight Report

None.

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

A. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Monitoring Report

The Board heard a presentation on the Local Control Accountability Plan Mid- Year Monitoring Report.
Dominic Aguirre made a motion to approve the LCAP Mid-Year Monitoring Report.
Cecilia Johnston seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

The Board heard a presentation on the SARC
Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the SARC.
Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Titan HST

Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the Titan HST contract.
Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approval of 2023-24 CARS Winter Release

Cecilia Johnston made a motion to approve the 23-24 CARS Winter Release.
Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Approval of 2022-23 Audit Report

Tricia McClain made a motion to approve the 22-23 Audit Report.
Dominic Aguirre seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Other Business

A. Future Topics

--VCS Safety Plan
--700 Forms
--2nd Interim Budget
--Hire Justus Hicks

B. Board Meeting Check In

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Tricia McClain made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM.
Tom Mc Nerney seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 7:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cecilia Johnston