



## Voices College-Bound Language Academies

### Minutes

#### Governance Committee Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Wednesday November 29, 2017 at 8:30 AM

##### **Location**

14271 Story Road, San Jose, CA 95123

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Alternate address: 333 Lakeside Drive, Foster City, CA 94404; [555 University Avenue, Palo Alto](#)

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#### **Committee Members Present**

A. Valladarez, D. Cadette (remote), F. Teso (remote), K. Wisckol (remote)

#### **Committee Members Absent**

*None*

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

D. Cadette called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Voices College-Bound Language Academies to order on Wednesday Nov 29, 2017 at 8:33 AM.

#### **C. Approve Minutes**

D. Cadette made a motion to approve minutes from the E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 05-10-17 E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 05-10-17.

K. Wisckol seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

A. Valladarez    Aye

K. Wisckol      Aye

F. Teso          Aye

**Roll Call**

D. Cadette     Aye

**D. Approve Minutes**

D. Cadette made a motion to approve minutes from the E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 03-15-17 E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 03-15-17.

K. Wisckol seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

D. Cadette     Aye

F. Teso         Aye

K. Wisckol     Aye

A. Valladarez Aye

**E. Approve Minutes**

D. Cadette made a motion to approve minutes from the E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 02-15-17 E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 02-15-17.

K. Wisckol seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Valladarez Aye

D. Cadette     Aye

K. Wisckol     Aye

F. Teso         Aye

**F. Approve Minutes**

D. Cadette made a motion to approve minutes from the E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 12-14-16 E.G.D (CEO Evaluation/Governance/Development) Committee Meeting on 12-14-16.

K. Wisckol seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

F. Teso         Aye

D. Cadette     Aye

K. Wisckol     Aye

A. Valladarez Aye

**G. approve Minutes**

D. Cadette made a motion to approve minutes from the Development Committee Meeting on 04-28-15 Development Committee Meeting on 04-28-15.

K. Wisckol seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Valladarez Aye

D. Cadette Aye

K. Wisckol Aye

F. Teso Aye

**II. Board Business: Discussion/Action Items**

**A. Board Composition**

D. Cadette opened the discussion with how the board and committees were distributed in the past, and what goals the board's direction moving towards the future.

K. Wisckol talked about the importance of having a board member that represents the community we serve by changing the geography composition to meet the Bay Area as a whole.

Committee members commented on the expected characteristics of future board members, and the direction that should be considered to improve the ethnic diversity of the communities Voices serves.

**B. Board Training**

D. Cadette discussed having a Brown Act training session for board members that will allow an umbrella overview on the development and learn of any changes that may have been made.

K. Wisckol will be contacting a Brown Act specialist to perform a governance training.

**C. Governance Committee Goals**

D. Cadette discussed the goals of committees and the method of tracking their effectiveness.

Committee members discussed the overall commitment of all committees meeting their goals while maintaining individual accountability for each member.

**D. Governance Committee Meetings**

F. Teso commented on improving the uniformity of monthly meetings, and distribution of responsibilities of committee members.

D. Cadette suggested future meetings dates that work for all parties involved.

### III. Closing Items

#### A. Adjourn Meeting

D. Cadette made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

K. Wisckol seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

A. Valladarez Aye

K. Wisckol Aye

F. Teso Aye

D. Cadette Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Valladarez