



Veritas Preparatory Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Friday April 26, 2019 at 8:15 AM

Location

Veritas Prep Charter School 1st Floor Conference Room or Dial-In Number: 866-848-2216, Conference Code: 7783935205, Leader Code: 2356

Trustees Present

A. Mendelson, D. Ford, D. Fuller, D. Janes, G. Moody (remote), J. Crowell (remote), M. Landon, M. Sweet, R. Sela (remote)

Trustees Absent

C. Alves, L. Doherty, T. Gabinetti, T. Moran

Guests Present

A. Martin, R. Romano

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Janes called a meeting of the board of trustees of Veritas Preparatory Charter School to order on Friday Apr 26, 2019 at 8:20 AM.

C.

Approve Minutes

A. Mendelson made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 03-29-19 Board Meeting on 03-29-19.

D. Fuller seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Mendelson Aye

L. Doherty Absent

T. Gabinetti Absent

G. Moody Aye

M. Landon Aye

J. Crowell Aye

D. Fuller Aye

T. Moran Absent

D. Ford Aye

D. Janes Aye

R. Sela Aye

C. Alves Absent

M. Sweet Aye

D. Approve January Minutes

A. Mendelson made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 01-18-19 Board Meeting on 01-18-19.

D. Fuller seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Janes Aye

M. Landon Aye

L. Doherty Absent

J. Crowell Aye

C. Alves Absent

T. Gabinetti Absent

D. Fuller Aye

T. Moran Absent

G. Moody Aye

D. Ford Aye

A. Mendelson Aye

R. Sela Aye

M. Sweet Aye

II. Executive Director Report

A. Meet the Network Team

The Network Team including; Lynne Mills, Sarah Hourihan, Katie Moran, Ashley Martin, Jonathan Swan joined the board meeting. The Trustees each introduced themselves to the network team and each network team member introduced themselves and shared their role with the board. The board had an opportunity to ask questions of the team and learn more about their work of supporting both schools.

B. Update on VPCS, VPH and High School plans

Rachel shared an update on MCAS testing going well and continuing next month with math and science. She also described the work the leadership is doing around equity and anti-racism. Rachel shared some research on high schools and the process for designing it which will include multiple stakeholders.

C. Site Visit Report

Rachel shared the Year 7 Site Visit Report with the board. We partially met expectations in access and equity. The board discussed the comparison to statewide discipline data and the lack of contextual data or narrative around this item. Given no growth data is available it seems that the local context and comparisons to other Springfield schools should be included. The board wants a follow up on how the team will be making the needed improvements as outlined in the site visit report.

III. Governance

A. SY2019-2020 Calendar

M. Sweet made a motion to approve the proposed 2019-202 calendar.

A. Mendelson seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

G. Moody Aye

D. Janes Aye

L. Doherty Absent

M. Sweet Aye

J. Crowell Aye

D. Fuller Aye

R. Sela Aye

T. Gabinetti Absent

Absent

T. Moran Absent

M. Landon Aye

C. Alves

D. Ford Aye

A. Mendelson Aye

IV. Finance

A.

Monthly Financial Reports

Matt Landon shared the monthly financials which are on track and we expect a surplus. He commended management for doing a good job with enrollment and being resourceful in what was anticipated to be a tight budget year. He invited questions from Trustees. There were no questions.

B. FY20 Operating Budget

Matt Landon shared the proposed FY20 budget and highlighted that increased tuition in FY20 brings in additional revenue to cover increases related to teacher compensation. He noted the additional seats offered next year and addition of new positions to support this increase in enrollment. Please review and come prepared to discuss and vote to approve in the May meeting.

V. Executive Session

A. Executive Director Evaluation

B. Proposed E.D. Goals

Ann Erichetti presented a draft of goals for the Executive Director and asked the board to share thoughts and feedback. Mike asked about adding a goal that is focused on making the academic program stronger. Creating a set curriculum is a focus based on feedback from teachers in the compensation and retention study and this might be the ideal place to capture that as a goal. Anne will work with Rachel to incorporate this feedback, please share any additional feedback with Ann about these goals.

VI. 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 10:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

- R. Romano
- A. Mendelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- D. Ford seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Sela Aye
D. Janes Aye
C. Alves Absent
G. Moody Aye
D. Ford Aye
T. Gabinetti Absent

Roll Call

J. Crowell Aye

A. Mendelson Aye

T. Moran Absent

D. Fuller Aye

L. Doherty Absent

M. Sweet Aye

M. Landon Aye