



Veritas Preparatory Charter School

Minutes

Annual Meeting

Date and Time

Friday June 28, 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, C. Alves, D. Ford, D. Janes, G. Moody, J. Crowell, L. Doherty, M. Landon (remote), M. Sweet

Trustees Absent

D. Fuller, R. Sela, T. Gabinetti, T. Moran

Guests Present

R. Romano

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Romano called a meeting of the board of trustees of Veritas Preparatory Charter School to order on Friday Jun 28, 2019 at 8:20 AM.

C.

Approve Minutes - April

M. Sweet made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 04-26-19 Board Meeting on 04-26-19.

L. Doherty seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Alves Aye A. Mendelson Aye R. Sela Absent T. Gabinetti Absent M. Landon Aye D. Fuller Absent M. Sweet Aye D. Janes Aye J. Crowell Aye L. Doherty Aye G. Moody Aye D. Ford Aye T. Moran Absent

D. Approve Minutes - May

A. Mendelson made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 05-24-19 Board Meeting on 05-24-19.

L. Doherty seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Fuller Absent M. Sweet Aye R. Sela Absent L. Doherty Aye G. Moody Aye J. Crowell Aye D. Ford Aye M. Landon Aye T. Moran Absent C. Alves Aye A. Mendelson Aye T. Gabinetti Absent

II. Executive Director Report

Aye

D. Janes

A. Approval of Amendment Request - letter of intent due Aug 1

L. Doherty made a motion to authorize executive director Rachel Romano to submit the amendment request on their behalf to expand the charter to serve grades 9-12 with a seat expansion of up to 400 and to work with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to make any minor technical changes to the amendment submitted for approval if such changes are necessary to meet the requirements of statute or regulations, and are codified in Department guidance that was not adhered to in our submission.

D. Ford seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Sela Absent D. Janes Aye D. Fuller Absent L. Doherty Aye J. Crowell Aye T. Gabinetti Absent T. Moran Absent M. Sweet Aye M. Landon Aye G. Moody Aye A. Mendelson Aye C. Alves Aye D. Ford Aye

B. Organizational Capacity and Planning

Rachel shared an update on grants. She is submitting a proposal to the Barr Foundation to support the planning and design of a high school. These funds will support the Director of Talent position and other capacity building efforts to prepare for high school expansion.

III. Finance

A. FY20 Operating Budget

- A. Mendelson made a motion to approve the FY20 budget as presented.
- G. Moody seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Alves Aye
G. Moody Aye
R. Sela Absent
M. Sweet Aye
T. Gabinetti Absent
T. Moran Absent

Roll Call

D. Janes Aye
J. Crowell Aye
D. Fuller Absent
L. Doherty Aye
D. Ford Aye
A. Mendelson Aye
M. Landon Aye

B. Monthly Financials

IV. Governance

A. Annual Meeting: Approval of Trustees, Officers and Committees

M. Sweet made a motion to approve Robert Martin to a three year term on the board of trustees effective JUly 1.

L. Doherty seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Sela Absent T. Gabinetti Absent A. Mendelson Aye D. Janes Aye G. Moody Aye J. Crowell Aye T. Moran Absent C. Alves Aye M. Sweet Aye D. Fuller Absent D. Ford Aye M. Landon Aye L. Doherty Aye

A. Mendelson made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Governance Committee that the following individuals be nominated for an additional three (3) year term on the Board of Trustees beginning on July 1, 2019: a. Judith Crowell b. Matthew Landon c. Rebecca Sela d. Dale Janes.

D. Ford seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

L. Doherty AyeJ. Crowell AyeC. Alves AyeD. Fuller AbsentR. Sela Absent

Roll Call

D. Janes Aye
T. Gabinetti Absent
G. Moody Aye
M. Sweet Aye
M. Landon Aye
D. Ford Aye
A. Mendelson Aye
T. Moran Absent

A. Mendelson made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Governance Committee that the following individuals be nominated for the respective office listed below, for a one (1) year term beginning July 1, 2019 (the number of prior years served in such position is set forth (in parentheses) a. Chairman: Dale Janes (0) b. Vice-Chairman: Mike Sweet (0) c. Treasurer: Lisa Doherty (2) d. Secretary: Rebecca Sela (2).

D. Ford seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. Crowell Aye L. Doherty Aye D. Janes Aye D. Fuller Absent M. Landon Aye C. Alves Aye R. Sela Absent T. Moran Absent A. Mendelson Aye T. Gabinetti Absent M. Sweet Aye D. Ford Aye G. Moody Ave

M. Sweet made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Governance Committee that the committees be staffed as follows: A. Finance Committee. The following Board members shall serve on the Finance Committee: Lisa Doherty, Chair; Matthew Landon; Denise Ford; Anthony Gabinetti; Robert Martin. B. Academic Achievement. The following Board members shall serve on the Academic Achievement Committee: Rebecca Sela, Chair; Michael Sweet; Dale Janes; Judy Crowell; Greg Moody; Ann Erchetti. C. Governance Committee: The following Board members shall serve on the Governance Committee (subject however, further vote of such committee per the By Laws): David Fuller, Chair; Aaron Mendelson; Tom Moran.

D. Ford seconded the motion.

The motion did not carry.

Rachel reminded trustees to complete financial disclosure and conflict of interest training.

B.

By-Laws

- A. Mendelson made a motion to approve the amended and restated bylaws as presented.
- D. Janes seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. Crowell Aye A. Mendelson Aye G. Moody Aye C. Alves Aye D. Ford Aye T. Gabinetti Absent M. Sweet Aye T. Moran Absent R. Sela Absent M. Landon Aye L. Doherty Aye D. Janes Aye D. Fuller Absent

This has been an ongoing project with changes to DESE requirements prompting the original revision. Mike Sweet has worked with outside counsel to revise these bylaws and different versions have been vetted by the governance committee and the board over the past year. We feel confident with the current version and will submit to DESE for their approval.

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

- A. Mendelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- G. Moody seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Ford

L. Doherty Aye D. Fuller Absent M. Landon Aye D. Janes Aye T. Gabinetti Absent G. Moody Aye M. Sweet Aye C. Alves Aye R. Sela Absent J. Crowell Aye T. Moran Absent A. Mendelson Aye

Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. Romano