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Veritas Preparatory Charter School

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday August 13, 2020 at 1:00 PM

Location

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Committee Members Present

A. Mendelson (remote), D. Fuller (remote), R. Romano (remote), T. Moran (remote)

Committee Members Absent

None

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Romano called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Veritas Preparatory Charter School to order on Thursday Aug 13, 2020 at 1:04 PM.

C. Approve minutes

D. Fuller made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 07-13-20.

T. Moran seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

T. Moran Aye

R. Romano Aye

A. Mendelson Aye

D. Fuller Aye

II. Governance

A. FY21 Goals

Aaron shared some of the questions to guide our discussion around goals:

What is our vision for the future?

In five years we will have a fully populated 5-12 with students and staff. Is this all we want to do or do we have opportunities to merge with other MA Charter schools?

Do we have management capacity to do more?

What is the charter renewal timeline and how does it align with h.s. opening?

Should we be looking to continue to operate in turnaround in Holyoke?

How does this contribute or detract from our mission at VPCS?

The committee discussed these questions and drafted the following goals:

1. Design a process to support the board in its decision around continuing to engage in a Collaborative Space and Services Agreement with the Friends of VPCS in order to support the turnaround of the HPS through the management of VPH.

-create space to have a broad discussion with all trustees about the work in Holyoke, hear opinions and questions to guide next steps.

-collaborate with a rep from Friends to create a timeline for a decision.

2. Create a maturity plan for the board that aligns with our organizational values and shares a vision for where we want our board to be in 3 - 5 years.

3. Create a new trustee onboarding process that can be done remotely.

-review content from old binders

-explore Board on Track to see how to use it for this purpose

4. Explore options and possibilities that would allow us to expand in the charter sector

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

D. Fuller made a motion to adjourn.

A. Mendelson seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Fuller Aye

A. Mendelson Aye

T. Moran Aye

R. Romano Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. Romano