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Veritas Preparatory Charter School

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Zoom Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday August 19, 2021 at 11:00 AM

Location

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Committee Members Present

A. Mendelson, D. Fuller, R. Romano

Committee Members Absent

T. Moran, X. Delobato

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Fuller called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Veritas Preparatory Charter School to order on Thursday Aug 19, 2021 at 11:04 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

D. Fuller made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 07-15-21.

A. Mendelson seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Fuller Aye

R. Romano Aye

X. Delobato Absent

T. Moran Absent

A. Mendelson Aye

II. Governance

A. FY22 Goals

Governance Committee will work toward accomplishing the following things this year:

1. Governance will create an onboarding template for new trustee which is presented by E.D. and/or Chair

- Link or direct to documents in Board on Track –order of priority with timeline
- Chair or staff leader meets with new committee members to orient, share goals, etc.
- Committee Chair serves as mentor
- we will get feedback from Xiomara and other newer trustees on the process.

Committee discussed its role in ensuring high school launch is successful, discussed lines between governance and management. Rachel and team need to do the work of planning and provide frequent updates on progress and board needs to set and hold high expectations for performance. Accountability Plan for the third term is a great opportunity for this and way for the board to drive high performance. Committee discussed what needs to happen in terms of learning and development in order to do this well. Committee agreed on language for the second goal:

2. Governance will oversee the development of a new accountability plan for the third charter which incorporates high expectations for high school performance.

- consider implications of opening our high school and development of the board around changes in accountability
- build capacity discussion around accountability in high school
- Recruit with an eye toward high school and diversity, one from Design Team and one from either HS, college or career space (dependent on design and capacity needed)

- Advisory Board with local employers in STEM and Health/Sci (dependent on HS design) could lead to future trustees

Committee discussed the principal role and the timeline for hiring the principal. Rachel explained where the team was in the process, on hold now and will reboot new process for spring hire and July start. Rachel, Lily, Ashley stepping up to do the planning, middle school leaders supporting on the student facing things like recruitment.

Committee discussed early college and potential partners. Rachel talked about the 5th year as something that the board needs to understand and consider when it comes to accountability. Rachel will be giving the board an update about high school developments at the next meeting and will give more information about early college.

3. Maturity Model is still on our list, we need Tom's vision here and probably will develop after we do strategic planning.

B. Board Assessment Discussion

Dale and Rachel are planning to hold a strategic planning session this fall. The committee wants to have all trustees take the Board on Track assessment to have current data which can inform the planning and goals setting for committees. The committee discussed the Education Board Partners survey we took in the Spring and how we can use the results of that at the strategic planning sessions as well. Rachel will send an assessment link to all trustees and we will encourage 100% participation at the next board.

III. Other Business

A. Committee Member Changes

Xiomara DeLobato will move from the Academic Achievement Committee to the Governance Committee. David will be away next week so Rachel will present to the board of trustees this month for their approval to make this change and Rachel will get Xiomara's role changed in board on track and send her invites to new meeting. David asked if the time will work for her with her job, we are not sure so we will need to check and potentially reschedule to accommodate Xiomara's work schedule.

IV. 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 12:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Romano