

Vida Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday January 22, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Location

Vida Charter School - gymnasium

Trustees Present

C. Bowen, D. Marritz, F. Dutrisac, G. Murry, J. Brandauer, L. Leonard, M. Rosenberger, R. Rahman

Trustees Absent

J. Arnold

Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened

M. Rosenberger

Ex Officio Members Present

M. Davis

Non Voting Members Present

M. Davis

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Brandauer called a meeting of the board of trustees of Vida Charter School to order on Monday Jan 22, 2018 at 6:32 PM.

C. Announce executive session

The board announces is held an executive session from 5:30-6:20 for the purpose of discussing confidential legal and personnel matters.

D. Approve Minutes

C. Bowen made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 12-19-17 Board Meeting on 12-19-17.

D. Marritz seconded the motion.

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

E. Call to Public

No members of the public were present.

M. Rosenberger arrived.

F. Executive Director's report

Ms. Davis provided an extensive report detailing academic, personnel, administrative, and student issues. Ms Davis reported that the NWEA and Spanish language testing will begin soon and data will be provided to the board upon its completion. She also discussed enhancements to the 6th grade curriculum intended to retain students at the upper grades. Teacher observations have been completed and the 2nd rounds of observations will be starting later this season.

She also reported that Vida has around 70 ESL students and is currently working with the LIU to meet the needs of these students. Ms. Davis is initiating a taskforce made up of teachers and staff to discuss how to distribute the administrative tasks. Currently they are discussing areas such as supervising student services, ESL, regulatory compliance, and instructional coaching. More work will be done by this taskforce and a recommendation will be made to the board at a future date.

Ms. Davis is also working on getting feedback from students on their experiences at Vida. Many are requesting after school clubs and are excited about their learning at Vida.

Ms. Davis continues to work on fostering a growth-mindset among teachers and students, as well as moving the recharter process forward.

G. Update on rechartering process/comprehensive plan

Ms. Davis informed the board that she and board chair, Josef Brandauer, submitted a letter of intent to GASD and HPSD indicating their desire to seek a renewal of our charter for an additional five years. The process is just now getting underway and would be for the term 2019-2024.

H. Amend Agenda to Include "Approve Quarterly Governance Report"

D. Marritz made a motion to amend to meeting agenda to include "Approve Quarterly Governance Report".

C. Bowen seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic Excellence

A. Committee update

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III. Finance

A. Approve December monthly Financials

L. Leonard made a motion to approve the December 2017 monthly financials.

M. Rosenberger seconded the motion.

The motion did not carry.

Roll Call

F. Dutrisac	Aye
J. Arnold	Absent
J. Brandauer	Aye
G. Murry	Aye
L. Leonard	Aye
D. Marritz	Aye
R. Rahman	Aye
C. Bowen	Aye
M. Rosenberger	Aye

B. Committee update

The committee met briefly last week and discussed items such as tuition reimbursement, health insurance options for the upcoming school year, and enrollment in relation to the upcoming budget season. The budget season is upon us and more will be shared in that regard as developments proceed.

C. SOFI forms

All members filled out SOFI forms and submitted them to the main office for filing.

IV. Governance

A. Committee update

B. Quarterly report

F. Dutrisac made a motion to approve the quarterly governance report.

R. Rahman seconded the motion.

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

V. Personnel

A.

Personnel report

C. Bowen made a motion to approve the January Personnel Report, pending the addition of one item to said report: namely Sarah Parker will transition from One-to-one paraprofessional to substitute teacher.

G. Murry seconded the motion.

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

The board entered executive session at 7:50 for the purpose of discussing confidential personnel matters. It exited executive session at 8:30.

VI. Closing Items

A. Call to public

No comments were made.

B. Adjourn Meeting

C. Bowen made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M. Rosenberger seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Leonard