

APPROVED

Vida Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday August 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Location

120 E. Broadway
Gettysburg, PA 17325

Trustees Present

B. Reyes-Lua, J. Lewis, L. Rice, P. Miller, S. Luque (remote), V. Fonseca

Trustees Absent

N. Oberholtzer Hess, T. Arias

Ex Officio Members Present

C. Miller

Non Voting Members Present

C. Miller

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

B. Reyes-Lua called a meeting of the board of trustees of Vida Charter School to order on Monday Aug 28, 2023 at 6:39 PM.

The Board conducted an executive session between 5:30 and 6:30, focusing on professional development. Christine Miller compiled valuable information and resources from BoardOnTrack and BoardSource. She aimed to present three distinct texts to offer an initial insight and to formulate preliminary plans for new board member orientation.

Additionally, the session aimed to establish ongoing mini-PD (professional development) sessions to further enhance the capabilities of our trustees.

C. Approve July 2023 Minutes

P. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees on 07-27-23.

V. Fonseca seconded the motion.

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

II. Executive Director Report

A. Monthly Report

During the meeting, Christine Miller provided an update on the Monthly Report, specifically highlighting the figures concerning the registration of current students.

B. Personnel Report

Christine Miller has reviewed the email attachment containing the resignation notices. Furthermore, she provided an explanation of the recent updates regarding the Exit interviews.

L. Rice made a motion to Approve the Executive Director Report.

P. Miller seconded the motion.

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

III. Academic Excellence

A. Academic Excellence update

The academic excellence did not meet this month.

IV. Finance

A. Monthly Financials

Leighton has conducted a review of the Finance Report and shared the following updates:

- The Annual Independent Audit is currently in progress and is on track.

V. Fonseca made a motion to Approve the Finance Report.

P. Miller seconded the motion.

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

B. Advertising

Christine presented the advertising package for approval.

There are two packages, the board discusses the two options.

The Board approves package A

S. Luque made a motion to Approve the acquisition of package A.

P. Miller seconded the motion.

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

C. Social Worker contracts

Christine presented three distinct Social Worker contracts for consideration.

It's important to note that this expense aligns with the approval within our PCCD grant. As part of her recommendation, Christine suggests moving forward with Phoenix Social Work.

Once Elana Nashelsky joined the meeting, the Board made a proposal to include the price per hour on the contract.

L. Rice made a motion to Approve the Motion to approve Phoenix Counseling Services to begin providing services immediately at a rate of \$100/hour for clinical staff and \$150/hour for Dr. Tish N. Weikel to be covered by PCCD Funding.

P. Miller seconded the motion.

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

D. Related Special Education Services contracts

Christine provided an overview of three contracts for Related Special Education Services. These services are essential for students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and are mandatory in nature. The contracts are as follows:

Vida Vary Audiology

Vida Vary OT PT

Vida Vary Speech DHH

For these services to be offered to our students, the Board's approval is required.

P. Miller made a motion to Approve the Related Special Education Services contract.

J. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

V. Governance

A. Board Recruitment Update

Joselyn Lewis presents the last updates about the Board Recruitment

B. 803 Proof of Residence Policy

Victor Fonseca explains how this policy may affect Vida families.

The Board discusses the importance of this policy.

L. Rice made a motion to Approve Proof of Residence Policy.

P. Miller seconded the motion.

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

C. 502 Video Surveillance Policy

This policy applies to all video surveillance systems and equipment installed within Vida Charter School, including but not limited to buildings, grounds, parking lots, and common areas within the school. The Board discusses this policy.

J. Lewis made a motion to Approve Video Surveillance Policy.

V. Fonseca seconded the motion.

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

D. 329 Administrative Leadership Benefits Policy

During the meeting, the Board engaged in a discussion regarding the recent updates to the Leadership Benefits Policy. This policy is designed to foster a sense of mutual understanding, support, and loyalty between the school's Administrative Leadership and the Board of the Charter School. The primary objective of this policy is to promote a harmonious relationship and collaboration between these two entities.

The board discusses the need to include an allocation of money for this policy annually.

E. 330 Classified Benefits Policy

Classified Benefits Policy will be revised on the next meeting.

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 8:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Reyes-Lua