

APPROVED

# Vida Charter School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday January 26, 2026 at 6:30 PM

#### Location

Virtual due to snow closure

<https://zoom.us/j/97876447561?pwd=WFpKaFJ0RDFKNVdwRTFaU3MwN0ZUdz09>

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Executive Session from 5:30pm-6:37pm to discuss personal matters.

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#### Trustees Present

B. Reyes-Lua (remote), J. Burmistrova (remote), J. George (remote), J. Lewis (remote), M. Harple (remote), P. Miller (remote), S. Luque (remote), T. Arias (remote)

#### Trustees Absent

*None*

#### Ex Officio Members Present

C. Miller (remote)

#### Non Voting Members Present

C. Miller (remote)

#### Guests Present

Marc Jalbert (remote)

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### 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 Jan 26, 2026 at 6:42 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

J. George made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-15-25.

M. Harple seconded the motion.

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

Christine Miller shares the video created by Ghost Writer to promote Vida.

## **II. Public Comment**

### **A. Open for Comment**

Shared appreciation of experience and opportunity to involve students at Vida Charter School.

## **III. Executive Director Report**

### **A. Executive Director Monthly Report**

- Comprehensive Planning is in progress. Will be submitted to PDE March 2026.
- Board Appreciation Month!
- Shared new Vida Charter School promotional video.

Discussion of the challenges that a school sponsored trip possess to Vida Community in relation to access and equity.

## **IV. Academic Excellence**

### **A. Staff Satisfaction Survey**

- Brenda mentions that the board will receive the Staff Satisfaction Survey next month.
- Sergio L mentions his concerns regarding the '27 PR trip

## **V. Finance**

### **A. Monthly Financials**

- Jessica George explains how she is gathering information regarding the different rates that the school pays.

- She also explains how the Vertex team considers Vida's numbers strong.

J. Burmistrova made a motion to approve the monthly Financials.

B. Reyes-Lua seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

M. Harple      Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Burmistrova Aye  
S. Luque Aye  
B. Reyes-Lua Aye  
J. George Aye  
J. Lewis Aye  
T. Arias Aye  
P. Miller Aye

**VI. Governance**

**A. Board Policies for Approval**

- Christine Miller explains the new wording in the document for approval  
[857 Title I Family Engagement Policy Jan 2026.docx](#)

M. Harple made a motion to Approve to Policy 857 Family Engagement Policy Jan.  
J. Lewis seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Burmistrova Aye  
S. Luque Abstain  
M. Harple Aye  
P. Miller Aye  
J. George Aye  
B. Reyes-Lua Aye  
T. Arias Aye  
J. Lewis Aye

**B. Board Retreat Saturday, Feb. 21, 2026**

- Paul Miller explains the Board Retreat 26  
B. Reyes-Lua made a motion to approve Julia Burmistrova resignation from the Board.  
P. Miller seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**VII. Other Business**

**A. Personnel Report**

- Christine Miller explains the Personnel Report  
- Two new hires  
- Vida still looking for a part time Computer Science teacher.  
J. Lewis made a motion to approve two new hires.  
J. Burmistrova seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

B. Reyes-Lua Aye  
J. Burmistrova Aye  
T. Arias Aye  
S. Luque Aye  
M. Harple Aye  
J. Lewis Aye  
P. Miller Aye  
J. George Aye

P. Miller made a motion to move the discussion for the MOU to next month.

B. Reyes-Lua seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

J. George Aye  
P. Miller Aye  
M. Harple Aye  
S. Luque Aye  
T. Arias Aye  
J. Burmistrova Aye  
B. Reyes-Lua Aye  
J. Lewis Aye

**B. 2025-26 Calendar Revision**

- Christine Miller explains the revision on the calendar due to an error.

P. Miller made a motion to approve the calendar revision.

J. Burmistrova seconded the motion.

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

**VIII. 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
B. Reyes-Lua