# Valley Academy Inc. Public Board Meeting Agenda 

## May 11th, 2023 @ 6:00 pm

539 N 870 W, Hurricane, UT 84737

1. Welcome
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement:

At Valley Academy we are dedicated to achieving excellence in our education, our character, and our pathways* for the future.
3. Public Comment

The Board requests that you provide written notice to be heard for public comment so we can plan for the time required for this agenda item. Requests may be sent to miranda@valleyacademycharter.com. Please plan ahead for your comments to be 3 minutes or less. Due to open meeting regulations, please be aware that the board will not be able to formally discuss or take action on items brought up in this meeting's public comment period.
4. Monthly Training Topic: None
5. Board Member Interviews
6. Review and discussion of Annual Board Calendar
7. Review and Report: Action Items from last month's meetings.
a. Posting of items - policy, minutes, audio
8. Student Council Report
9. Business Manager's Monthly Report
10. Director's Monthly Report
11. Reports from Board Committees:
a. Finance/Audit
b. Policy
c. Charter Accountability
d. Executive
12. Approval of the April 13th, 2023 meeting minutes.
13. Approval of the May 2, 2023 Uniform Taskforce meeting minutes
14. Discussion and possible approval of the School Fee Policy
15. Discussion and possible approval of the LEA Specific Licenses
16. Discussion and possible approval of the Pipe Springs Field Trip
17. Discussion and possible approval of the Peach Days Fundraiser
18. Discussion and possible approval of the Rodeo Fundraiser
19. Discussion and possible approval of the purchase of turf for FY22-23 or FY23-24
20. Discussion and possible approval to renew Miranda Kloos' 5th term for 1 year.
21. Discussion and possible approval to renew Jackelyn Choto's 2nd term for 3 years.
22. Closed session, if needed. Utah Code 52-4-205(a).
23. Any action necessary from closed session
24. Recap and assignment of any action items needed from this meeting
25. Next proposed meeting is June 22nd, 2023
26. Adjourn

# Valley Academy Inc. Public Board Meeting "Minutes" <br> May 11th, 2023 @ 6:00 pm <br> 539 N 870 W, Hurricane, UT 84737 

Board members In attendance: Miranda Kloos, Nicki Hill, Jackie Choto, Michael Palfreyman, Buffy Nelson and Alisha Terry-Martin. Additional attendees, performance given by students with accompanying parents and caregivers, Kandice White, Dale Vargas, Dawn Holland, Arthur La Baron, Nate Adams and Tracy Stevens. Board members applicants also present.

Chair Kloos opened the meeting at 6:09 PM
Pledge of Allegiance led by Member White
Mission Statement led by Member Palyfreyman.
Public Comment- Arthur LaBaron gave a quick presentation from SUBA, which advocates cycling and Healthy Dixie Council which promotes health and wellness including activity. Recognized Director Stevens and Valley Academy for being a great community partner in bringing the Outright Academy to VA. His organizations were also involved with the Strider bikes. Presented a certificate and plaque.

Board Member Interviews: Ethan Everett, Paul Gooch, Bonnie Stout, Ellen Olsen, Betsy Kimber, and Adam Allred
Break: 3 minutes
Review and discussion of Annual Board Calendar- next board meeting Jun 22, 2023.
Review and Report: Action Items from last month's meetings. Chair Kloos updates from Executive committee, Finance: updated mock up not yet completed, Policy- 6 policies a year on track, building and development has stalled due to State approval process, but continuing to move forward. Board development, training completed. Posting of items - policy, minutes, audio completed by Chair Kloos and Member Hill

Student Council Report- Kandice White gave a report. Many good applicants for student council next year. Next school president announced. Completed basket sales for fundraising.

Business Manager's Monthly Report given by Nate Adams- compensations on track. Stipends are completed. Substitute teaching is a bit low, which is a good thing. PTO cash outs are also coming up soon. A few upcoming events will likely impact the budget some: Ragnar and teacher appreciation. However, projections to end the year strong are expected. Discussed some preliminary projections for FY24 including some items that will no longer be a financial source.

Director's Monthly Report given by Director Stevens. Shooting for an increase in numbers to 570. Lots of exciting upcoming end of school events- graduations, performances, and Ragnar.. Three tied for first place of employee of the month. Continue to work on hiring for next year. RISE testing is currently happening with about 7 opt outs.

Reports from Board Committees:
e. Finance/Audit- met and discussed ERC money.
f. Policy-met and worked on fiscal policy.
g. Charter Accountability-met and discussed RISE testing data retrieval. Reviewed data moments. Discussed risk assessment surveys.
h. Executive- LEA specific licenses discussion, Nancy Roundy retiring, surveys and parent feedback was good overall. Also discussed Uniform task force meeting, which seemed like a big success.

Member White made a motion for the approval of the April 13th, 2023 meeting minutes. Member Palfreyman second. Miranda Kloos - Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member Palfreyman made a motion for the approval of the May 2, 2023 Uniform Taskforce meeting minutes. Chair Kloos, Member Terry-Martin second. Miranda Kloos -Yes,, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes WhiteYes

Member Palfreyman made a motion for the approval of the School Fee Policy. Member Choto second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member White made a motion for the approval of the LEA Specific Licenses. Member Terry-Martin second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy NelsonYes, Wes White- Yes

Member Palfreyman made a motion for the approval of the Pipe Springs Field Trip. Member White second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy NelsonYes, Wes White- Yes

Member White made a motion for the approval of the Peach Days Fundraiser. Member Choto second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member Palfreyman made a motion for the approval of the Rodeo Fundraiser. Member Hill second. Miranda Kloos Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member White made a motion for the approval of the purchase of artificial turf for FY22-23 or FY23-24. Member Nelson second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member Palfreyman made a motion for the approval to renew Miranda Kloos' 5th term for 1 year. Member TerryMartin second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member White made a motion for the approval to renew Jackelyn Choto's 2nd term for 3 years. Member TerryMartin second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Chair Kloos made a motion for a closed session. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member PalfreymanYes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes Utah Code 52-4-205(a).

## Closed session

Chair Kloos made a motion to close closed session. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Member Palfryman made a motion to open session. Member White second.. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Chair Kloos opened session at 9:02
Recap and assignment of any action items needed from this meeting- Member Hill to post minutes and recordings. Discussion of teacher appreciation lunch on Friday May 19th.

Next proposed meeting is June 22nd, 2023
Member Palfreyman made a motion to adjourn. Member Nelson second. Miranda Kloos -Yes, Alisha Terry-MartinYes, Member Palfreyman- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Jackelyn Choto- Yes, Buffy Nelson- Yes, Wes White- Yes

Chair Kloos adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

## School Fee Policy

## I. Purpose

a. To allow Valley Academy Charter (VAC) to continue providing a first-class education, and an array of additional learning opportunities to our students, a fee schedule has been instituted, as required by law, for the school. Approved fees will help offset some costs, and maintain availability of programs. While VAC tries to keep fees reasonable and fully within reach for VAC families, waivers that the law requires are also applicable.
b. The School Director is the designated Utah State Board of Education (USBE) fee contact and makes administrative fee decisions consistent with the law.
c. Application of Fees: By Utah statute, fees may never be charged for grades K-5. Fees for older grades may be assessed for school materials, supplies, activities and programs, consistent with R277-407 and Utah Code 53G-7-5 and 6.
d. Fees at Valley Academy Charter will apply to grades $6-8$ subject to approval by the VAC Board, as required by law. Specifically, VAC will charge fees to students in grade 6 consistent with R2777-407-3(3)(c ) and will provide annual notice to parents consistent with the law.
e. A K-5 teacher may provide a suggested list of student supplies for use during the regular school program. A parent may voluntarily furnish those supplies. If a teacher provides such a list, the notice to parents will begin with the following statement:
NOTICE: THE ITEMS ON THIS LIST WILL BE USED DURING THE REGULAR SCHOOL DAY [AT VALLEY ACADEMY]. THEY MAY BE BROUGHT FROM HOME ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, OTHERWISE, THEY WILL BE FURNISHED BY THE SCHOOL.
f. Fee Requirements
i. No fees will be charged for classes, programs or activities that are held during the regular school day for grades K-5.
ii. Fees are due in full upon the student's first day of school or activity due date specified in Valley Academy Fee Schedule, for students in grades 6, 7 and 8.
iii. If fees are not paid in full by the student's first day of school, a $\$ 50.00$ late fee will be incurred.
iv. Families who meet the requirements of the law may apply for a waiver of student fees, according to Utah law and this policy.
g. Waivers
i. It is the position of VAC that no student should be denied the opportunity to participate in a school activity because of an inability to pay a fee.
ii. Fees will be waived for students consistent with Utah law (R277-407-11).
iii. Families requesting waivers who do not meet the above criteria may apply for a hardship waiver from VAC Administration, consistent with R277-407-11.
iv. Determination of qualification for a waiver of fees for those students who do not satisfy the automatic qualifiers will be made on a case-by-case basis.
v. Students who apply for waivers must provide documentation and certification of eligibility, including tax returns or current pay stubs, consistent with Utah Code 53G 7-504(4)(b).
vi. If a waiver request is denied, the family may petition the VAC Board for a hearing by contacting the VAC fee administrator. The hearing shall be held within 10 days of the written request before the VAC Board. The Board's decision is final. If a parent appeals a fee waiver decision, the fee may not be charged until the appeal process is complete.
h. Payments
i. All Student Fees are to be paid directly to the VAC office in the form of cash, check or through the school Website, if offered.
ii. Teachers are not allowed to accept student fee payments.
i. Refunds: All fees are non-refundable, unless determined by the Executive Director, or designee.
II. Fee Schedule
a. The fee schedule will be set by the VAC Board annually by April 1, beginning in 2020.
b. Public discussion of the fee schedule will be provided at a minimum of two public Board meetings.
c. The approved fee schedule will be posted on the school's website and also made available to parents at school registration.
d. If parents do not speak English, the school will provide an interpreter so that parents adequately understand the fees and procedures.
e. The name of the designated school contact for fees will be provided with the notice. The School Director will typically be the designated school fees contact for students and parents.
f. The annual approved fee schedule will set a maximum fee per each activity/program for which a fee is charged and a maximum total fee amount for each student.
g. Appeal and waiver policies and requirements will be provided with the fee schedule.
III. Miscellaneous
a. VAC will have a spend plan for the revenue collected from each fee charged.
b. The school may request parents to donate items for use by students only following notice to parents as provided in R277-407-3(6).
c. VAC will carefully maintain the confidentiality of students who receive fee waivers.
d. School-wide and voluntary student fundraising activities may be sponsored by the school to pay for all or part of a student's required fee for a course, activity or project. VAC fundraising efforts will comply with the law and R277-407. See the separate VAC Fundraising Policy.



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| 600 Supplies and Materials |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 611 Classroom | \$ | 40,000 | \$ | 56,524 | \$ | 45,000 | \$ | 13,500 | \$ | 58,500 | 96.6\% |
| 611 Intro to Agriculture Supplies | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | 3,484 | \$ | 2,500 | \$ | 3,682 | \$ | 6,182 | 56.4\% |
| 612 Office | \$ | 15,000 | \$ | 32,362 | \$ | 20,000 | \$ | 15,000 | \$ | 35,000 | 92.5\% |
| 612 PTO/PAC | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | 3,049 | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | 49 | \$ | 3,049 | 100.0\% |
| 613 SpED Supplies | \$ | 7,000 | \$ | 9,375 | \$ | 7,000 | \$ | 2,500 | \$ | 9,500 | 98.7\% |
| 617 Student Appreciation / Parties | \$ | 4,000 | \$ | 3,049 | \$ | 3,500 | \$ | - | \$ | 3,500 | 87.1\% |
| 618 Student Gov't | \$ | 2,500 | \$ | 7,503 | \$ | 4,000 | \$ | 3,500 | \$ | 7,500 | 100.0\% |
| 618 Professional Dev / Appreciation | \$ | 23,500 | \$ | 21,102 | \$ | 20,000 | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | 23,000 | 91.7\% |
| 619 Counselor Supplies | \$ | 2,500 | \$ | 2,738 | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 3,000 | 91.3\% |
| 621 Natural Gas | \$ | 4,500 | \$ | 5,071 | \$ | 4,000 | \$ | 1,500 | \$ | 5,500 | 92.2\% |
| 622 Electricity | \$ | 38,000 | \$ | 36,328 | \$ | 38,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 38,000 | 95.6\% |
| 626 Motor Fuel (Buses) | \$ | 35,500 | \$ | 36,968 | \$ | 35,000 | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | 38,000 | 97.3\% |
| 631 Food Program Supplies | \$ | 178,000 | \$ | 137,926 | \$ | 120,000 | \$ | 40,000 | \$ | 160,000 | 86.2\% |
| 641 Textbooks \& Curriculum | \$ | 72,000 | \$ | 72,865 | \$ | 61,000 | \$ | 12,000 | \$ | 73,000 | 99.8\% |
| 644 Library Books | \$ | 5,000 | \$ | 4,916 | \$ | 5,000 | \$ | 500 | \$ | 5,500 | 89.4\% |
| 650 Supplies - Technology Related | \$ | 105,520 | \$ | 78,218 | \$ | - | \$ | 78,218 | \$ | 78,218 | 100.0\% |
| 670 Software (Educational) | \$ | 32,000 | \$ | 23,992 | \$ | 31,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 31,000 | 77.4\% |
| 680 Maintenance \& Cleaning Supplies | \$ | 30,000 | \$ | 29,564 | \$ | 30,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 30,000 | 98.5\% |
| Total 600: | \$ | 601,020 | \$ | 565,034 | \$ | 432,000 | \$ | 176,449 | \$ | 608,449 | 92.9\% |
| 700 Property, Equipment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 710 Land \& Site Improvements | \$ | 65,000 | \$ | 92,270 | \$ | 55,000 | \$ | 37,500 | \$ | 92,500 | 99.8\% |
| 720 Buildings | \$ |  | \$ | 87,372 | \$ |  | \$ | 99,000 | \$ | 99,000 | 88.3\% |
| 732 Buses | \$ | - | \$ | 28,263 | \$ | - | \$ | 28,263 | \$ | 28,263 | 100.0\% |
| 733 Furniture \& Fixtures | \$ | 12,000 | \$ | 9,627 | \$ | 6,000 | \$ | 3,627 | \$ | 9,627 | 100.0\% |
| 734 Technology Hardware | \$ | 45,000 | \$ | 15,987 | \$ | 16,000 | \$ | 2,000 | \$ | 18,000 | 88.8\% |
| 739 Kitchen Equipment | \$ | 20,000 | \$ | 5,701 | \$ | - | \$ | 5,701 | \$ | 5,701 | 100.0\% |
| 790 Cap Ex Fund | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 77,000 | \$ | 12,000 | \$ | 12,000 | 0.0\% |
| Total 700: | \$ | 142,000 | \$ | 239,220 | \$ |  | \$ | 188,091 | \$ 265,091 |  | 90.2\% |
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| 800 Debt Service and Misc 810 Dues \& Fees | \$ | 12,000 | \$ | 13,429 | \$ | 10,000 | \$ | 5,000 | \$ | 15,000 | 89.5\% |
| 812 Banking Fees | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | 1,795 | \$ | 3,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 3,000 | 59.8\% |
| 831 Wells Fargo Loan Re-payment <br> 890 Miscellaneous <br> 890 Contingency | \$ | 7,000 | \$ | 5,013 | \$ | 7,000 | \$ | - | \$ | 7,000 | 71.6\% |
|  | \$ |  | \$ | 1,841 | \$ |  | \$ |  | \$ |  | 0.0\% |
|  | \$ | 15,000 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 20,000 | \$ | 20,000 | 0.0\% |
| Total 800: | \$ | 37,000 | \$ | 22,078 | \$ | 20,000 | \$ | 25,000 | \$ | 45,000 | 49.1\% |
| Total Expenses: | \$ | 4,839,331 | \$ | 4,840,200 | \$ | 4,840,724 | \$ | 709,877 | \$ | 5,550,601 | 87.2\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net Income: | \$ 259,778 |  | \$ (108,244) |  | \$ 171,203 |  | \$ 278,121 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Current Oper | ing | argin | \$ | 278,121 | 4.77\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Operatin | Soal |  | \$ | 174,862 | 3.00\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Operatin | Goal |  | \$ | 291,436 | 5.00\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Operatin | Goal |  | \$ | 349,723 | 6.00\% |

## Financial Summary

as of April 30th, 2023


