

Valley Academy Public Board Meeting Agenda
Nov 9th, 2017 at 6:00 pm
539 N 870 W, Hurricane, UT 84737

1. Work session of the Board
 - a. Closed session if needed
 - b. Any action necessary resulting from discussion in closed session
 - c. Board Training by UAPCS
 - d. Board Member election process discussion
 - e. Annual Calendar Review

2. Welcome and open regular session

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement:

The mission of Valley Academy is to provide a superior, character building academic program enhanced by integrated training in fine and performing arts, and a technologically advanced curriculum; *in a Social Emotional Learning environment that promotes responsible freedom.*

4. Approval of New Board Member

5. Approval of minutes from Oct 19th, 2017, meeting

6. Approval of Meal Charge Policy

7. Board committee reports
 - a. Arts Program Development
 - b. Accountability
 - c. PR/Marketing
 - d. Policy

8. PTO Report

9. How well are the school's finances being managed?
 - a. Business Manager's monthly report
 - b. Discussion and possible action on any purchase orders over \$1,000.

10. How well are students achieving the outcomes for which the school was chartered?
 - a. Mr. Dunkley's monthly report

11. Public Comment

Valley Academy's Charter requires, and the Board requests, that you provide written notice to be heard for public comment. Request 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.

12. Next meeting *proposed* for Dec 14th, 2017.

Board Attendance: Lane Blackmore, Eva Pelton, Kevin Castro, Miranda Kloos. Excused: Alisha Martin.

Attendance: Debby Llewellyn, Jennifer Moulder, Andria Vincent, Kevin Dunkley, Leeanna Fenn, Tara Freiberg, Peggy Childs, Amber Bain, Kaylee Hudson, Mike Hudson, Shannon Greer, Kandis White

Lane opened meeting 5:58

Lane led the Pledge

Eva read the Mission Statement

Debby and Jennifer led the training regarding Board role and function. Discussed governance vs management, how well vs how will, empowering others to make decisions, committees. Discussion of election process and how it ties into the by-laws; to change it there is quite a process to go through. Recommended to consider staff liaison and/or parent liaison to assist in grievance policy. What is the Board's responsibility of following up on Public comment? Needs to follow up, but you may not always hear the answer depending on the circumstances.

Public Comment:

Mike Hudson – apologized to Board for a previous interaction. Feels like the Board has improved and appreciated the work that they do

Miranda appointed Michael Palfreyman for the open board position, Ben 2nd, all in favor

Kevin Castro motioned to approve Oct 19th, 2017, meeting minutes. Eva 2nd, Lane and Miranda in favor. Ben abstained due to excused absence.

Miranda motioned to approve Meal Charge Policy, Kevin 2nd, all in favor

Committees:

Arts Program –Eva - no update other cards in the Art classes have been completed

Accountability – Tara – observations in classroom to see the 4 pillars in action – only positive. Observed 3 Kindergarten classrooms – Academics – all teaching core, but all different. SEI – very positive feedback to the students. One used apples as comparison to teach feelings. Technology is present in all 3 rooms
Kaylee – survey results – lots of positive responses, unfortunately many negative comments left. 51% of survey respondents were very satisfied, 70% felt their children were cared for. Overall responses were positive. Committee will put together an action plan for next meeting.

PR/Marketing – no update

Policy – no update

PTO – lots of great events in the past – Walk to School, Red Ribbon Week, Parents and Pastries. Coming up this year– Penny Wars, Angel Tree and Gingerbread House night. Still struggle with getting volunteers.

Nate – Finance update – Enrollment is at 353 up from 350 which will help funding for next year. Revenues are right on track, state is slightly under and will true up with Oct 1 count. Expenses – most are right on track. 3 are slightly high due to front loading.

Kevin – appreciates time and effort of Board put forth. Kindergarten aides have been very beneficial. 93-94% attendance. Weekly letter is going out via email and hard copy. Positive feedback from Focus School. And, received letter from State recognizing significant improvement from the Focus School.

7:53 - Ben motioned to move into closed session to discuss competence of individual, Eva 2nd. Kevin, Miranda, Lane all in favor

Kevin C motioned to move into open session 8:27, Eva 2nd. Ben, Miranda, and Lane all in favor.

Ben motioned to adjourn 8:29, Eva 2nd, all in favor