

Valley Arts Academy Public Meeting Agenda 8/24/2010

1. Welcome and call to order (7:30)
2. Review and accept minutes from the previous meeting (7:30-7:35)
3. Unfinished business
 - a. Discussion of Vision Statement- how should we proceed with the development? (7:35-7:40)
 - b. Discussion of school Director recruitment and skill set (7:40-7:50)
 - c. Discussion of grade level options (7:50-8:10)
 - d. Addition of new Board members with expertise in accounting, HR, fundraising and education. Official process for selection, dismissal and resignation. (8:10-8:20)
 - e. Assign Board Members to Committees of interest to them (8:20-8:30)
4. New Business
 - a. Board Members wanting to work at the school (8:30-8:35)
 - b. Discussion of iSchool and Highmark timeline (8:35-8:45)
 - c. Time and place for next meeting
 - d. Any other?
5. Adjourn

Valley Arts Academy Public Meeting, 8/24/2010, 7:30pm at 726 N 150 W, Hurricane
In attendance: Alisha Terry-Humphries, Dawn Martin, Trent Seegmiller, Gaylene Knoke, Monica Iglesias, Steve Goodman, Lane and Judy Blackmore, Derek and Amanda Lewis, Megan Gatlin.

1. Welcome and call to order at 7:30.
2. Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting by Lane Blackmore, all members in favor.
3. Discussion of vision statement- It's long. It needs to be condensed. Megan Gatlin volunteers to take on the project of creating a condensed version that we can then discuss further and vote on at a future meeting. Derek says we need to vote on what points are most important. Email vision and mission to Monica and Megan.
4. Steve Goodman talking about what we need to look for in a director. Compilation of what different schools are using and what iSchool is recommending. (see attached documents) Trent asks what are we looking for more---a higher skill set or a principal that will stay longer? Steve says that a director that stays longer will help students and parents feel stable. All members in agreement. Consider a contract for a period of years with the director. Our budget amount for director salary is ok. We want to keep the director for a long term. We will create a committee for hire- we want to hire before March, probably January of 2011 if our charter is approved for the 2011 school year.
5. Discussion of grade level options led by Steve Goodman. (see attachment) We need to make this choice by the next board meeting. Between 450 and 720 student body. Members will consider the information given and this will be brought up again at the next meeting.
6. Discussion of Board member recruitment, dismissal and resignation. Read policy directly from charter that had been previously voted on. Distributed forms for nomination of new board members and new board member application by email. We will form a board development committee.
7. Discussion of possible committees for board members: Legal, Financial, Education, Contracts/Real Estate, Technology, marketing. Board members will serve as advisors or heads of committees.
8. Discussion: Board members should resign from the board prior to applying to the school as an employee. All members in agreement. Trent brought up that our corporation renewal is due in the next couple months.
9. Called Jeff Skousen with Highmark to discuss the timeline (see attachment). Timeline may be altered slightly depending on charter approval times. Jeff requesting to be informed when the next round of comments comes back from the charter section staff.
10. Next meeting planned for September 21, 2010 at 7:30pm. Place to be announced.
11. Adjourn at 8:50pm.

