

Valley Academy Public Board Meeting Agenda  
July 9th, 2016 at 9:00am  
1212 Zion Park Blvd, Springdale, UT 84767

1. Welcome and open regular session (9:00am)
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement: (9:00-9:05)

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.*

3. Approval of minutes from 5/12/16 meeting and 6/7/16 meeting

4. Update from Red Apple (9:05-9:15)
  - \*Approval of 2016 Budget
  - \*Approval of High Mark Lease Amendment

5. Public Comment (9:15-9:25)

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.

10. Work session of the Board

Closed session if needed

Open Meeting Training – UAPCS and Red Apple (9:30-10:00)

Break (10:00-10:15)

Governance vs Management Training – UAPCS and Red Apple (10:15-11:00)

How to Conduct an Effective Meeting & What should be on the annual calendar– UAPCS and Red Apple (11:00-12:15)

Lunch 12:15-1:00

Board Committees – Which are needed and why – UAPCS and Red Apple (1:00-1:45)

Board Committee Assignments and Responsibilities (1:45-2:00)

Valley Academy Strategic Plan: 3, 5 and 10 year plans/goals (workshop) Red Apple and VAC Board – (2:00-3:30)

Reflection and Closing Circle (3:30-4:00)

Valley Academy Board Meeting Minutes  
July 9, 2016 at 9:00am  
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Work Session Opened at 9:00am.

In attendance – Lane Blackmore, Miranda Kloos, Steven DeMille, Monty Hardy, Eva Pelton, Kevin Castro, Kevin Dunkley, Ben Ruesch, Debby Llewelyn, Jennifer Moulder

9:00am- Pledge led by Steven

9:02am- Ben read mission statement

Approval of 5/12 minutes- Miranda made a motion to approve minutes from 5/12 meeting, Eva 2nd the motion, all in favor

Approval of 6/7 minutes- Miranda made a motion to approve minutes from 6/7 meeting, Ben 2nd the motion, all in favor

Public comment- no public attended

Budget Approval- Ben concerned for negative margin. Monty stated it forecasted fine. Lane stated we need to approve a positive balance. Monty stated this year is better than last year. We have 40 days cash. Should be 60 days. The budget was turned in on 6/22 which was the deadline. Lane stated we must approve a budget in the positive, no deficit. Monty explained in detail that all is well. It has been ratified. Ben made a motion to approve budget as ratified and submitted. Miranda 2nd the motion All in favor.

High Mark Lease Amendment- Monty stated High Mark used term “defer” instead of “waive” They fixed it. It’s still a deferral and rent will be due 2018 if the bldg is not paid off. Might be hard to get a loan this year. Will save \$30k & only 10 months. Ben stated Clause #4 “Good faith effort” is vague. Monty suggested to approve based on clarifying if clause #3 is 2 or 4%. Ben made a motion to approve First Amendment to sublease with Valley Academy Project Development LLC with Clauses #1 & 2 to be approved; Clause 3 needs to clarify 2 or 4%; Clause 4 needs to clarify “Good Faith Effort”. Miranda 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Motion made to go into closed session by Miranda at 9:22, all members in favor.

Motion made at 9:30 to move back into open session by Ben, all members in favor.

Motion made to adjourn meeting 9:35 by Steven, Miranda second, all in favor.

Work Session

Additional Attendance: Peggy Childs and David Hinton

Open Meeting Training led by Jennifer Moulder, Debby Llewelyn, Monty Hardy

Governance vs Management Training led by Jennifer Moulder, Debby Llewelyn, Monty Hardy

How to Conduct an Effective Meeting & What should be on the annual calendar led by Jennifer Moulder, Debby Llewelyn, Monty Hardy

Discussion of Board Committees:

Accountability (Steven, David, Kevin D.)

Surveys  
School grade  
Assessment scores  
Charter fidelity  
Curriculum evaluation

Finance/Audit (Miranda, Lane, Kevin, RA)

Audit  
Monthly Reports  
Budget  
Building Purchase

Executive (Lane, Ben, Kevin D.)

Legal  
Director evaluation  
Director Communication  
HR

Policy/Governance (Miranda, Steven, Eva)

Policy review  
Training  
Retreats  
Social/emotional

Development (Kevin C, Eva, Lane, David)

Grants  
Enrollment  
Business partnerships  
Outside fundraising  
PR/Marketing  
Arts Sub committee  
Tech Sub committee  
PTO Sub Committee  
Social Resp Sub Committee

Discussion of Valley Academy Strategic Plan: 3, 5 and 10 year plans/goals:

Strategies in order of priority

1. Obtain a school grade of B or better.
2. Finance the building through USDA, leaving flexibility with extra acreage.
3. Develop Arts and other community partnerships.
4. Inform every member of our community about VACS.
5. Create and follow through on new board committees and responsibilities.
6. Increase enrollment to 450 for the 2017 October Enrollment Count.
7. Increase parent volunteerism.
8. Visible improvements to the school, may include a marquee.

4:00pm- Dave made a motion to adjourn. Ben 2nd the motion. All in favor