

Valley Academy, Inc Public Board Meeting Agenda
Jan 13th, 2022 @ 6 pm
539 N 870 W, Hurricane, UT 84737

1. Welcome

2. 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.*

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: School Fees [UAPCS | Training Videos \(utahcharters.org\)](https://www.utahcharters.org/training)

5. Review and discussion of Annual Board Calendar

6. Review and Report: Action Items from last month's meetings.

7. Student Council Update

8. Business Manager's Monthly Report

9. Director's Monthly Report

10. Reports from Board Committees:

- a. Finance/Audit
- b. Policy
- c. Charter Accountability
- d. Executive

11. Approval of minutes from the Dec 9th meeting.

12. First discussion of 2022-2023 School Fee Schedule and Spend Plan.

13. Discussion and possible approval of the Spring Fling Fundraiser.

14. Discussion and possible approval of the 7th grade field trip to Las Vegas for the Body Exhibit.

15. Discussion and possible approval of travel for the Ski Club.

16. Closed session, if needed. **Utah Code 52-4-205(a).**

17. Any action necessary from closed session

18. Recap and assignment of any action items needed from this meeting

19. Next proposed meeting is Feb 10th, 2022

20. Adjourn

Valley Academy, Inc Public Board Meeting Minutes (Proposed)
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Welcome @ 1809

Board Members in attendance: Buffy Nelson, Nicki Hill, Alisha Terry-Martin, Miranda Kloos, Weston White, Jackie Choto. Michael Palfreyman excused.

Additional in attendance: Tracy Stevens, JJ Tanner, Shannon Greer, Kandis White, Nate Adams, Steve Finley.

Member White led the Pledge

Member Nelson read the mission statement

No public comment

Board Training: School fees. Video from UCAP. Fee schedule adopted yearly. Assign a fee waiver administrator (ours is Dr. Stevens). No fees K-6 for regular school day activities. 6th graders can be charged fees if they are in a school that includes grade 7 and above. Fee waivers. Secondary students may be charged fees and be required to provide supplies. April 1 is the deadline for the fee schedule. There must be 2 public hearings prior to adoption of this schedule. Question about Ski Club. Question about yearbooks. Discussion of fundraising K-6. Discussion of fees for Mountain Bike Club vs Mountain Bike elective.

Board calendar items: training, director check in with exec committee, retreat date Jul 16, 2022, spring fling fundraiser. USDA reserve track is above what is required. 3 board members have intent to return coming up in May (Members Nelson, Terry-Martin, and Kloos).

Action items: Leave policy has been posted and communicated to staff. All required notices have been posted.

Student council update: focused on fundraising for Disneyland (leadership) trip. Valentines day grams. The sno-cial turned out well.

Business manager's update: Red apple updates document. Review of financials for the month and update on true-up from Oct 1 count. We are meeting our financial goals currently.

Director's report: enrollment, compliance, teambuilding fiesta fun, Jan 31 from 4-6pm BBQ and radio broadcast for open enrollment, goal for 200 on wait list for next year, March 25 anniversary party 4-7pm with radio broadcast with possibility of celebrity concert, highlights from Admin retreat.

Committees

Finance: working on re allocation of ESSER funds. Audit committee needs to meet this month. Question on separation of Audit committee and Finance committee.

Policy: working on policies

Accountability: Dr. Stevens gave a good report on what's going on in academics, students have just started their new electives (popular elective is Horsemanship), K-3 don't pick their electives but they do get daily exposure to all the arts on a rotating basis, new camera system is getting finished on install this week, using Safe Utah as a better fit for our school (instead of Hope Squad).

Executive: Review of mid-year surveys. Overall very positive. Students have a lot of good to say about the school environment and their teachers. Lots of positive shoutouts. Students also had a lot of funny comments. Parents had good feedback, overall positive. Goal to have more informational meetings about curriculum so parents can ask questions and get involved. Lots of comments on expanding to HS. Staff surveys overall positive.

Approvals:

Member White made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 9th meeting. Member Nelson second. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**

School fee schedule discussion: Add "student council leadership trip"- \$850 max. Discussion of potential raising the fee for ski club. Question about raising the max amounts because we can't be sure what the prices will be for next year. This is the first public hearing for this year's fee schedule.

Member White made a motion to approve the Spring Fling Fundraiser. Member Hill second. Discussion: What are we raising money for? Are we even charging to attend? No need for a motion at this time. Member White amended his motion to table approval of the Spring Fling Fundraiser. Member Hill second. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**

Member White made a motion to approve the 7th grade field trip to Las Vegas for the body exhibit. Member Nelson second. Discussion: How much are we charging for this field trip? Nothing. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**

Member White made a motion to approve the travel for ski club. Member Nelson second. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**

Chair Kloos made a motion to move into closed session for the purpose of discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual. Member Hill second. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**

Closed session began @ 1937 and ended @ 1959

Member White made a motion to move back into open session. Member Hill second. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**

No action necessary from closed session

Chair Kloos will make adjustments to the fee schedule. Member Terry-Martin will complete the posting of minutes, audio, and financials.

Member Hill made a motion to adjourn. Member White second. **Miranda Kloos - Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin - Yes, Buffy Nelson - Yes, Weston White - Yes. Jackelyn Choto- Yes. Nicki Hill- Yes.**
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