

Valley Academy Inc. Public Board Meeting Agenda
October 19th, 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. Review and discussion of Annual Board Calendar
6. Review previous month's action items:
7. Student Council Report
8. Business Manager Monthly Report
9. Director's Monthly Report
 - a. Title I Compliance Report
10. Reports from Board Committees:
 - a. Finance/Audit
 - b. Policy
 - c. Charter Accountability
 - d. Executive
11. Approval of the September 14th, 2023, meeting minutes.
12. Discussion and possible approval of the Parental Engagement Policy
13. Discussion and possible approval of the parking lot improvements
14. Discussion and possible approval of the Teacher Student Success Act (TSSA) grant
15. Discussion and possible approval to submit the large expansion application
16. Closed session, if needed. **Utah Code 52-4-204, 205.**
17. Any action necessary from closed session
18. Recap and assignment of any action items needed from this meeting
19. Next proposed meeting is November 9, 2023.
20. Adjourn

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Board Members Present: Miranda Kloos, Alisha Terry-Martin, Ellen Ranta-Olson, Betsy Kimber, Wes White, and Nicki Hill via Zoom. Excused: Jackie Choto
Admin Present: Tracy Stevens, JJ Tanner, Dale Varga.
Additional in attendance: Kandis White, Megan Smith, student council president.

Pledge of Allegiance led by member White and Mission Statement led by Member Kimber

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No Public Comment

Monthly Training Topic: None

Review and discussion of Annual Board Calendar: None

Review previous month's action items: posting of last month's items, which Chair Kloos completed.

Student Council Report reported on upcoming events such as annual Spooktakular, Starving Student cards sales and the Middle School Market.

Director's Monthly Report- given by Tracy Stevens.

Title I Compliance Report, school report card will be released on 10/31/23 publicly. Reported quite a bit of growth and improvement with scores in most areas.

Business Manager Monthly Report given by Nate focus on the budget has been on the impact of the student count, which is high. Budget should be increasing based on current enrollment. Federal funds a bit lower based on allotment for school lunches in August. Have spent less on supplies so far as well as employee benefits. Reported healthy bottom line. Audit is going well, towards the end of the process at this point.

Reports from Board Committees:

- e. Finance/Audit- presented by Chair Kloos, did meet in October - no additional updates other than what Nate shared
- f. Policy- Member Ranta-Olsen presented, should have two policies ready for next month one ready for tonight. Did meet in October.
- g. Charter Accountability- Member Terry-Martin presented, met in October had discussion about data moments meetings with various teams. Passed bus inspections. Tracy Stevens offered information about some accountability training- this year will be Classroom management training.
- h. Executive- Chair Kloos reported on Acadian numbers, did meet this month.

Member White made a motion for the Approval of the September 14th, 2023, meeting minutes. Member Kimber second **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- recused.**

Member White made a motion for approval of the Parental Engagement Policy Member Ranta-Olsen second. Member White asked about procedures to assist with ESL or non English speaking parents. JJ Tanner explained that the school counselor reaches out to these parents, although nothing formal is in place. **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes**

Member White made a motion for the approval of the parking lot improvements Member Terry-Martin second. Director Stevens led an explanation for some concerns that have been brought to the attention of the school regarding traffic congestion during drop off and pick ups. **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes**

Member White made a motion for the approval of the Teacher Student Success Act (TSSA) grant Member Kimber second **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes**

Member White made a motion for the Discussion and possible approval to submit the large expansion application
Member Terry-Martin second **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes**

Chair Kloos made a motion to go into Closed session for a strategy session to discuss the purchase/, lease, or sale of real estate. Member White second. Roll call of **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes** Tracy Stevens and [JJ Tanner](#) also present.

Member White made a motion to move back iinto open session, Member Kimber second. Roll call of **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin-Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes**

7:34 open session.

No action necessary from closed session

Next proposed meeting is November 9, 2023.

Member White made a motion to Adjourn, Member Terry-martin second **Miranda Kloos- Yes, Alisha Terry-Martin- Yes, Ellen Ranta-Olson- Yes, Betsy Kimber- Yes, Nicki Hill- Yes, Wes White- Yes**

7:35 Adjourned.