

VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, March 9, 2022

1. CLOSED GENERAL SESSION

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order 5:08 p.m.

Procedural: 1.2 Establishment of Quorum for Closed Session

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee		X

Procedural: 1.3 Public Comment -- Closed Session Agenda Item(s)

None

Information: 1.4 Conference with Real Estate Agent

Real estate negotiations.

2. OPEN GENERAL SESSION

Procedural: 2.1 Call to Order 5:20 p.m.

Procedural: 2.2 Establishment of Quorum for Open Session

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee		X

Procedural: 2.3 Pledge of Allegiance

Action, Procedural: 2.4 Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Hernandez Figueroa	Second: Farukhi
Roll Call	Aye Nay
Anderson	X
Farukhi	X
Hernandez Figueroa	X
Nelson	X
Rhee	Absent
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4	
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:	

Information: 2.5 Reporting of Closed Session

Discussion occurred regarding the evolving Purchase and Sales Agreement for proposed property. At this time, the Seller has accepted offer.

Procedural: 2.6 Public Comment

None

3. PARENT REPORTS

Reports: 3.1 School Site Council (SSC) Report by Alyssa Truman (Parent)

At the meeting on March 3, 2022, the SSC Representatives discussed the need for a new Board Member since Maria Hernandez Figueroa will term out as a parent on the Board due to her son's promotion from 6th grade. SSC discussed possible candidates, as well as the established process. For Parent/Teacher Conferences, there was a discussion as to how to make them as meaningful as possible. Ideas included scholar-led conferences and Zoom option. The surveys for the LCAP were discussed, as well as the need to address attendance and punctuality issues. Also there was a discussion of the Summer Academy, as well as plans for the new campus.

Reports: 3.2 English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) Report by Chammarra Nguyen (Assistant Director)

Survey was sent out to parents of English Learners to determine best format to engage more parents. Families who responded preferred virtual meetings in the evening. Some parents may prefer later time. For one scheduled ELAC Meeting, the Latino Health Access presented a series of sessions on mental health. Some parents of English Learners attended.

Reports: 3.3 F.A.S.T. Report by Yvette LaValle (Coordinator and F.A.S.T. Secretary)

The calendaring of the following F.A.S.T. events were discussed:

- March 16, 2022 -- Baba the Storyteller will be part of a F.A.S.T. event for families. The scholars' art and photography will also be on display.
- March 27, 2022 -- The scholars will experience a mobile planetarium, which will be set up at My Day Counts.
- April 20, 2022 -- VMCS Talent Show
- April 22 2022 -- VMCS Color Run
- April 29, 2022 -- VMCS Multi-Cultural Family Dance Party
- May 2-5, 2022 -- Staff Appreciation Week
- May 4, 2022 -- Star Wars theme for "May the 4th be with you"
- May 18, 2022, 6:30-8:00 p.m. -- Stage production of Pandora's Box by VMCS drama scholars
- May 26, 2022 -- End-of-Year Carnival
- May 27, 2022 -- Last day of school with Grade TK/K Celebration and Grade 6 Promotion

4. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)

Action, Minutes: 4.1 February 9, 2022, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Recommended Action: Consent section items are for routine matters that do not require discussion or deliberation by the Board. The consent calendar permits the Board to approve multiple items by one action. All Board members have the right to remove a consent item from the consent calendar so that normal discussion and deliberation may take place.

Motion: Farukhi	Second: Hernandez Figueroa
Roll Call	Aye Nay
Anderson	X
Farukhi	X
Hernandez Figueroa	X
Nelson	X
Rhee	Absent

Item Passes – Vote: 4/4
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER

Information: 5.1 Changes in Mask Mandates

The changes to recommendations by the Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) and California Department of Public Health (CDPH) were presented, with a focus on making face coverings optional. Through a Parent Survey, the majority of parents communicated that they were comfortable with parents deciding whether their scholars would wear face coverings in class. The process by which VMCS plans to communicate with parents was shared. Board members discussed making face coverings optional, while continuing to test for Covid-19 weekly.

Information: 5.2 LCAP Surveys for Community Partners

The scholar, parent, and staff surveys to solicit input for the development of the LCAP were shared. The Board had no input or questions regarding the surveys.

Information: 5.3 Proposed Salary Schedules

The process by which the proposed salary schedules was developed was shared, as well as the resulting products. Nelson asked if what was offered would be enough. Schroeder communicated that it was a good start, and later revisions could be considered.

Information: 5.4 Form 700 Conflict of Interest Form

Must be completed by the Assistant Director, Executive Director, and Board Members. The goal was to have it completed by March 18, 2022.

6. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN

Information, Reports: 6.1 2021-2022 School Enrollment

The current enrollment is 239, with class sizes falling into the range of 26-32.

Information, Reports: 6.2 2022-2023 Recruitment Efforts and Results

Additional recruitment locations are being explored, including the Fullerton Farmers' Market, Adventure City, Packing House, etc. A number of Interest Forms have been submitted for the upcoming drawing.

Information: 6.3 Staff and Scholar Testing Procedure after Spring Break

Plan to test on Monday and Wednesday after Spring Break because of the past pattern of increased cases after breaks. This may be especially important since face coverings may be optional.

Information: 6.4 Covid-19 Case Counts

Greatly improved, with the last four weeks having 0, 0, 0, and 2 Covid-19 cases. When the two cases occurred, they were siblings.

7. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM

Information, Reports: 7.1 January Financials

Kim presented the financials for January 2022 via a PowerPoint presentation. The finances of VMCS remain strong.

Information, Reports: 7.2 2nd Interim Budget Report

The 2nd Interim Budget Report is the third mandated report to the State. The main shift was in enrollment due to the number of absences with a shift from 228 to 221.66.

8. ACTION ITEMS

Action: 8.1 Changes in Masking Expectations

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors adopt the revised recommendations for masking from the Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), and Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which would be implemented after March 11, 2022.

RATIONALE: This appears to be the next step as the impact of Covid-19 pandemic wanes. As a school, we will continue to test on a weekly basis to determine the effect of the lifting of masking expectations.

Motion: Farukhi		Second: Nelson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi	X		
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	Absent		
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

Action: 8.2 LCAP Surveys for Community Partners

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the Scholars, Parents, and Staff Surveys, which will be used in the development of the revised LCAP.

RATIONALE: Similar surveys have been used in the past, but the surveys have been slightly revised each school year. It is important to get Board input and approval to support the validity of the surveys.

Motion: Hernandez Figueroa		Second: Anderson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi	X		
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	Absent		
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

Action: 8.3 Proposed Staff Salary Schedules

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the proposed salary schedules for the classified, certificated, and administrative staff pending a sustainability study by Icon School Management.

RATIONALE: By adjusting the salary schedule for the staff, it is hoped that VMCS will continue to attract and retain quality staff.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Hernandez Figueroa	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi	X		
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	Absent		
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

Action: 8.4 2nd Interim Budget Report

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the 2nd Interim Report, which will be submitted to the Anaheim Elementary School District, as well as the Orange County Department of Education.

RATIONALE: This is a mandatory report that needs to be Board-approved prior to being submitted to AESD and OCDE under a specific timeline.

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Motion: Farukhi	Second: Anderson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	Absent	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

9. BOARD COMMENTS

Procedural: 9.1 General Comments

Anderson acknowledged the efforts of Nelson and Kott to work on purchasing a new location for the school. Nelson thanked everyone for all of the support to get it done.

Procedural: 9.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 13, 2022, 5:00 p.m.

10. BOARD ADJOURNMENT

Procedural: 10.1 Board Adjournment: 6:26 p.m.

Motion: Hernandez Figueroa	Second: Nelson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	Absent	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		