

VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA (Wednesday, May 12, 2021)

Generated by Debra Schroeder on Wednesday, June 9, 2021

1. OPEN GENERAL SESSION

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order 5:05 p.m.

Procedural: 1.2 Establishment of Quorum

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

Procedural: 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance

Action, Procedural: 1.4 Approval of the Agenda

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

Procedural: 1.5 Public Comment -- None

2. LEGAL COUNSEL

Information: 2.1 Legal Consultation Regarding Structure for Purchasing a School Building

Richard Hansberger shared a PowerPoint and discussed the structure and timeline for the purchase of a building that would then qualify for the SB 740 grant. This presentation is in preparation for an eventual new site for the school.

3. PARENT REPORTS

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

Alyssa Truman presented on the behalf of the SSC. She shared that the SSC Agenda was similar to what occurred at the Board Meeting in April. The results from the Parent Survey were shared, with areas of primary concern including the following: scholars' level of respect, increased academic challenges, varying homework preparedness, training for parents, and the need for a bigger facility. Also, there was a discussion of a need to improve not only attendance, but also the quality of attendance. The LCAP will provide a plan for academic growth in English-Language Arts, English Language Development, Special Education, and Mathematics. While iReady was used for the 2020-2021 school year, the SBAC will be reinstated for the 2021-2022 school year.

Reports: 3.2 English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) Report by Parent Representative

The ELAC Meeting was canceled for April 2021.

Reports: 3.3 Family and Staff Team (FAST) Report by Representative

Yvette LaValle shared events that have occurred since the April Board Meeting, which involved the Virtual Talent Show and planning for the TK/K Celebration and Grade 6 Promotion. There is also a recruitment for new officer for F.A.S.T., as well as the name change has been officially approved with elimination of a reference to GOALS.

4. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)

Action (Consent), Minutes: 4.1 April 14, 2021, 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: Anderson	Second: Nelson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi		
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER

Reports: 5.1 Survey Results Scholars, Parents, and Staff

Survey results from the various stakeholders were shared, with a strong focus on the parent survey results. The spreadsheet of data was shared, and the areas of concern were highlighted. It was discussed that while behavioral expectations and procedures are in place, it will be important to create greater transparency for the parents.

Information: 5.2 LCAP Public Hearing

Time was devoted for the Board, staff, and public to ask questions and offer input regarding the proposed LCAP. There was no input.

Information: 5.3 Staffing for 2021-2022 School Year

A list of staff positions was shared with the Board. The positions reflected what was established in the LCAP.

Information: 5.4 Funding for Search, Appraisal, and Other Costs for Relocation

Robert Nelson had expressed a need to have a budget dedicated to the search for a new site for the school. Appraisal costs, feasibility studies, architectural renderings, etc. may need to be paid for, and this is not currently included in the budget.

Information: 5.5 BP Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Scholar Discrimination

There was a discussion as to whether another policy was needed related to the area of transgender and gender nonconforming scholar discrimination. There was a question as to whether the bullying policy would be sufficient. It was determined that in accordance to State and Federal regulations, a policy does need to be adopted.

Information: 5.6 June 9, 2021, Board Meeting

There is a need to have a June 2021 Board Meeting, that was not on the original calendar.

6. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN

Reports: 6.1 Current In-Person vs. Distance Learning Numbers

Currently, 80% of the scholars are attending in-person instruction. There has been a gradual growth in this percentage, and teachers have been supportive of accepting scholars, even though parents had originally selected distance learning through the end of the school year.

Reports: 6.2 2021-2022 School Enrollment and Waiting List

- For the 2021-2022 school year, all classes with the exception of Grade 6 are at their full capacity of 30 with the goal of reducing class size from 32 to 30. There are currently 3 openings in Grade 6 with the two classes at this grade level.
- For the waiting list, there are 14 TK, 59 K, 49 1st Grade, 48 2nd Grade, 47 3rd Grade, 29 4th Grade, 29 5th Grade, and 0 6th Grade.

Information: 6.3 Extended Learning Opportunities Grant

Information: 6.4 VMCS Summer Academy

Plans for the Summer Academy were shared, as well as the criteria for selecting scholars for the program.

7. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM

Information, Reports: 7.1 April Financials

A PowerPoint was shared and the financials for VMCS was discussed.

8. ACTION ITEMS

Action: 8.1 Staffing for 2021-2022 School Year

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the tentative staffing for the 2021-2022 school year.

RATIONALE: Although the LCAP does not need to get approved until June 30, we need to secure staffing for the 2021-2022 school year prior to this time.

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

Action: 8.2 Funding for Search, Appraisal, and Other Costs for Relocation

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board approve funds in the amount of \$25,000 for the cost of searching for, appraising, and Other Costs for Relocation.

RATIONALE: While there are predictable costs associated with seeking a different location for the school, it is difficult to determine how much this cost could be. For this reason, receiving Board approval for an established cost will be helpful, which can also be revisited in the future as needed.

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

Action: 8.3 BP Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Scholar Discrimination

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors adopt the Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Scholar Discrimination Policy. Legal counsel has provided examples of alternative language that may be considered.

RATIONALE: This is a policy that reflects the State and Federal legal requirements in this area.

Motion: Hernandez Figueroa		Second: Rhee	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi			
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Nelson	Abstained		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes – Vote: 3/3			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

Action: 8.4 Board Meeting on June 9, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

RECOMMENDATION: For the effective and efficient operation of VMCS, it is necessary for the Board to meeting in June.

RATIONALE: Because the May Board Meeting needed to be devoted to hosting a public meeting for the LCAP, this necessitated planning another meeting on Wednesday, June 9, at 5:00 p.m.

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

Action: 8.5 Extended Learning Opportunities Grant

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the submission of the Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant.

RATIONALE: Funds from this grant will permit VMCS to provide our scholars with the Summer Academy, as well as individual and small group tutoring.

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

9. BOARD COMMENTS

Procedural: 9.1 General Comments -- None

Information, Procedural: 9.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 9, 2021, 5:00 p.m., Pending Board Approval

10. BOARD ADJOURNMENT

Procedural: 10.1 Board Adjournment: 7:25 p.m.

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

11. GENERAL INFORMATION

Information: 11.1 Notifications

