



**VIBRANT MINDS CHARTER SCHOOL**

**TK-6 Grade, Free, Public Education**

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, December 9, 2020, 5:30 P.M.**

**Board Members**

Mike Anderson

Fareed Farukhi

Maria Hernandez Figueroa

Robert Nelson

Sharon Rhee

*As a result of COVID-19, and the resulting orders and direction from the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of California, and the County Public Health Department, as well as the City Health Declaration(s), so as to limit exposure to the COVID-19 virus, Vibrant Minds Charter School Board Meetings will be conducted via remote access until further notice.*

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<https://goalsacademy-us.zoom.us/j/88486749234?pwd=TDg1SWWhiZXA1MExZSjlXaEtWbngwZz09>

Meeting ID: 884 8674 9234

Passcode: 980082

**1.0 OPEN GENERAL SESSION**

**1.1** Call to Order 5:30 p.m.

**1.2** Establishment of Quorum

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

**1.3** Pledge of Allegiance

**1.4** Approval of the Agenda

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

Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

- 1.5** Public Comment: Vibrant Minds Charter School welcomes your participation at Vibrant Minds Board Meetings. The purpose of the meeting of the Board of Directors (Board) is to conduct the affairs of Vibrant Minds Charter School in public. Your participation ensures continuing community interest in Vibrant Minds Charter School. **Email to provide comment during school closure due to COVID-19 to [dschroeder@vibrantminds.us](mailto:dschroeder@vibrantminds.us). Please submit your comment prior to 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.**

Comments are to address Open/Closed Session items found on the agenda. Public Comments will be read by a Board Member or Designee. Each Comment will be limited to three (3) minutes. A total of twenty-one (21) minutes will be afforded for public comment. Unless an item has been placed on the published agenda in accordance with the Brown Act, there shall be no action taken, nor should there be comments on, responses to, or discussion of a topic not on the agenda. All Public Comment emails will be presented to the Board of Directors. The Board members may: (1) acknowledge receipt of information/report; (2) refer to staff with no direction as to action or priority; or (3) refer the matter to the next agenda.

Personal attacks against Vibrant Minds Charter School employees and/or Vibrant Minds Board members are inappropriate and not considered by the Board at a public Board Meeting. The Board has a complaint process which should be followed. The Board will not respond to personal attacks against employees or Board members in a public meeting, and cautions members of the public that they will be personally responsible for any remarks made.

No Public Comments

## 2.0 PARENT REPORTS

- 2.1** SSC Report by Parent Representative
- Areli Rodriguez, a fifth grade teacher and a member of the SSC, provided the report on behalf of the SSC.
  - She shared the discussion that occurred regarding ELAC, Wellness Plan, ASES Plan, and School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA).
- 2.2** ELAC Report by Parent Representative
- Chammarra Nguyen, the Assistant Director, provided the report on behalf of ELAC. She coordinates these meetings.
  - There was a discussion of after-school programming, Covid-19 updates and school reopening status, and the English Learner Designation and Reclassification Criteria.
- 2.3** F.A.S.T. Report by Parent Representative
- Yvette LaValle, a Coordinator, provided the report on behalf of F.A.S.T.

- F.A.S.T. coordinated Thanksgiving food support for nine families, and is supporting a toy drive for families in need. Additionally, F.A.S.T. is supporting the Pajama Jam on December 21, 2020.

**3.0 CONSENT** (One Vote). 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.

**3.1 November 4, 2020, Board Meeting Minutes**

Motion: Nelson		Second: Rhee	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi	X		
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

**4.0 INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**

**4.1 Brown Act Training by Erica Klein and Rich Hansberger**

- Rich Hansberger provided the training on behalf of the legal team for VMCS.
- A PowerPoint was delivered covering main requirements of the Brown Act.
- After the meeting, additional materials were provided to all Board Members and the School Cabinet.

**4.2 Executive Director’s Report by Debra Schroeder**

- COVID-19 update
  - Current data for 92805 – Covid-19 statistics are accelerating, and there are more stringent guidelines in place by the State of California.
  - Exploration of Zion Lutheran Church for space – Because VMCS needs to be prepared whenever there is an opportunity to reopen, continued dialogues are occurring with Zion Lutheran Church for use of the school space. This would permit the school to practice social distancing upon our return while serving all scholars who attend in-person instruction.
- School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) – Major points in the plan were shared, including why it is necessary for VMCS to complete the SPSA this year in lieu of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). This should be a one-year requirement.
- Establishment and Revisitation of Board Policies – The Board members were given an opportunity to ask questions and provide suggestions regarding the following proposed Board Policies. There were no questions or suggestions.
  - Wellness Policy
  - Mandated Child Abuse Reporting Board Policy
  - Nepotism Board Policy

- 4.3 Assistant Director's Report by Chammarra Nguyen**
- Enrollment Numbers and Attendance Data
    - The school continues to be filled to capacity in Grades TK-4 and 6, with 32 scholars per class.
    - The two Grade 5 classes have 30 scholars each, and could enroll and additional four scholars.
    - The total enrollment is currently 252.
  - VM Distance Learning Center Enrollment
    - The total capacity of the VM Distance Learning Center is 96.
    - Currently, there are 92 participating scholars.
- 4.4 ICON School Management Report by Roy Kim – Roy Kim provided a PowerPoint Presentation for the following topics. There were no questions from the Board. However, Hernandez Figueroa asked if there was a way to receive more details about various reimbursements made. This will involve a follow-up discussion between Kim and Schroeder.**
- November Report
  - Budget Overview for Parents
  - First Interim Report

**5.0 ACTION ITEMS**

**5.1 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA).

**RATIONALE:** This is not a document that a charter school typically needs to complete. In the past, only the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) is required of a single charter school that also serves the role of a district. However, because the typical LCAP was not required due to the pandemic and the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCAP 2) was completed instead, it was decided that single school districts had to complete this additional document for 2020-2021. It captures what is already in place.

Motion: Rhee		Second: Nelson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi	X		
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

**5.2 Board Policy -- Wellness Policy**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the Wellness Policy, which has been discussed and approved by the School Site Council.

**RATIONALE:** The Wellness Plan requires an annual update and approval. The changes made to it were refinements rather than anything substantive.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Farukhi
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**5.3 Board Policy – Mandated Child Abuse Reporting**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the Board Policy related to Mandated Child Abuse Reporting, which is legally mandated.

**RATIONALE:** Now that VMCS is independent of GOALS Inc., it is important to develop and review all VMCS Board policies as an independent organization.

Motion: Anderson		Second: Rhee
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**5.4 Board Policy – Anti-Nepotism**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the Board Policy related to nepotism, which is legally mandated.

**RATIONALE:** Now that VMCS is independent of GOALS Inc., it is important to develop and review all VMCS Board policies as an independent organization.

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

Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**5.5 LCFF Budget Overview for Parents**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approve the Budget Overview for Parents.

**RATIONALE:** A charter school must submit the Budget Overview for parents to the authorizing entity and county by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Motion: Farukhi		Second: Anderson
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**5.6 First Interim Report**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors ratify the First Interim Report.

**RATIONALE:** A charter school must submit the First Interim Report to the authorizing entity and county by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Farukhi
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Farukhi	X	
Hernandez Figueroa	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**6.0 BOARD COMMENTS**

**6.1 General Comments:** Farukhi suggested that the Board Meetings be changed to an earlier time, either 4:30 or 5:00 p.m. This was agreeable to the other Board members, especially in light of the Zoom format. Schroeder wanted to seek parent input regarding this change, and the SSC was in agreement. This will go into effect at the January 13, 2021 Board Meeting.

6.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

7.0 BOARD ADJOURNMENT: 7:05 p.m.

Motion: Farukhi		Second: Rhee	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Farukhi	X		
Nelson	X		
Hernandez Figueroa	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

**THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE.** Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

**REASONABLE LIMITATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON PUBLIC TESTIMONY.** The Board’s presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure the agenda is completed.

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