

**VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
5:30 P.M., Wednesday, December 13, 2023**

1. OPEN GENERAL SESSION

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order 5:35 p.m.

Procedural: 1.2 Establishment of Quorum

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Late	
Nelson	X	
Rhee		X

Procedural: 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance

Action: 1.4 Approval of the Agenda

Recommended Action: This agenda has been posted within the 72 hours required by the Brown Act.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Bonenberger	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Bonenberger	X		
Farukhi	Late		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	Absent		
Item Passes – Vote: 3/3			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

Procedural: 1.5 Public Comment

None

2. PARENT REPORTS

Information, Reports: 2.1 School Site Council (SSC) Report by Parent Representative

The SSC was represented by Linda (Mirta) Carmona, one of the parent-elected members. She reported that the last SSC Meeting occurred on December 7, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. She informed the Board that one of the SSC parent members moved out of the area, so the parent alternate, Jeremy Truman, has filled this vacancy. Additional topics that were covered at the SSC Meeting included:

- A brief report from ELAC
- Feedback regarding Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Preview of the California Dashboard
- The draft of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC)
- Progress on the California Community Schools Partnership Program (CCSPP) Planning Grant
- Status on the Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Information, Reports: 2.2 English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) Report by Parent Representative

ELAC was represented by Chammarra Nguyen, the Assistant Director. The ELAC Meeting occurred on the same day as the Board Meeting. Plans were discussed to move forward on the ESL classes, with parents meeting on a more frequent basis to support each other in the acquisition of English.

Information, Reports: 2.3 Family and Staff Team (F.A.S.T.) Report by Parent Representative

F.A.S.T. was represented by Yvette LaValle, a Coordinator. The topics she covered included:

- Success of the Winter Wonderland Performance held at new site
- Performance by the African Children's Choir; connection from the City Church
- Selected families benefitted from an event put on by Caterina's Club at the White House, which included lunch, face painting, gifts, and snow play
- Hearing assessment served 210 scholars
- The 70th day of school was celebrated on November 17 by scholars and staff dressing up in 70s attire
- Snow Day prior to the Winter Break was memorable with hot chocolate, face painting, tattoos, crafts, and sledding

3. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)

Action (Consent): 3.1 November, 8, 2023, 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: Nelson		Second: Anderson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Bonenberger	X		
Farukhi	X		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	Absent		
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER

Information: 4.1 Progress Report on New Site

Good news was shared about Bethel Baptist Church's willingness to support VMCS with staff parking at the new site. This may bring our school closer to receiving the Conditional Use Permit from the City of Anaheim. Nelson also shared the other areas the City of Anaheim now say need to be addressed for the issuance of a CUP. There was also a discussion of the church holding the note for the building, which could greatly reduce the cost of purchasing the building under a privately-issued bond.

Information: 4.2 California Community Schools Partnership Program (CCSPP) Planning Grant Update

Yvette LaValle provided updates on the CCSPP Planning Grant. She shared that she attends a meeting every other month where she collaborates with other coordinators and principals, which has provided worthwhile insights. She is also working on convening a team of parents who will provide their input on the development of VMCS as a community school. Also, there is a plan to provide coaching support to families, as well as in a large group parent workshop format.

Information, Reports: 4.3 California Dashboard Preview for 2022-2023

The Dashboard Preview information shared with the Board is unavailable to the public at this time. Based on the SBAC results from the 2022-2023 school year and as presented on the California Dashboard, VMCS still stands strong when compared with other Anaheim schools and charter schools in the area. The only negative result involved attendance issues last school year, which are better this school year. However, attendance is an area that needs to be constantly addressed.

Information: 4.4 School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

While some of the information for the SARC still needs to be provided by California Department of Education, the SARC is being presented to the Board "as is" in order to meet the due date for approval and posting.

Reports: 4.5 2022-2023 Audit Report

The Board was reminded that the Audit Report was presented at the November Board Meeting by the auditor in order to field any questions. It is now being presented as an action item for Board approval.

Reports: 4.6 2023-2024 Comprehensive School Safety Plan

The Board was reminded that the Comprehensive School Safety Plan was presented at the November Board Meeting by LaValle in order to field any questions. It is now being presented as an action item for Board approval.

LaValle also shared a series of incidents with three different homeless males on the same school day. The first incident in the morning resulted in a staff member who supervises drop-off in the morning to be chased with a small knife. The same homeless male pounded and broke the windshield of LaValle's car. The police became involved, and the homeless male was arrested due to his aggressive behaviors. Additionally, a homeless male was drunk and disorderly in front of the school in the afternoon and shouted profanities to our families in the area. Also, a homeless male attempted to open the car door where an older female sibling and baby were awaiting the mother to return from picking up a scholar. There will be a collaborative effort with APD to address ongoing issues with the homeless people in the area. Although, current laws such as Proposition 47 makes it difficult for APD to deal with issues with the homeless in the area.

5. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN

Information: 5.1 Enrollment for 2023-2024

- Grade TK/K -- 24 (14 TK and 10 K)
- Grade K -- 28
- Grade 1 -- 32
- Grade 2 -- 30
- Grade 3 -- 32
- Grade 4 -- 32
- Grade 5 -- 32
- Grade 6 -- 31
- Total -- 241

Information: 5.2 Waiting List for 2023-2024

- Grade TK -- 0
- Grade K -- 4
- Grade 1 -- 27
- Grade 2 -- 22
- Grade 3 -- 28
- Grade 4 -- 59
- Grade 5 -- 44
- Grade 6 -- 3
- Total -- 187 + scholars who do not qualify for enrollment in 2024-2025

6. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM

Reports: 6.1 October Financials

Kim presented the budget report using a detailed PowerPoint presentation.

Reports: 6.2 1st Interim Budget Report

The Interim Budget Report is brought to the Board for approval and will be submitted to Anaheim Elementary School District and the Orange County Department of Education. It covers VMCS's budget from July 1 through October 31, 2023. Also, Kim shared some negative developments in California's budget, which may impact school budgets.

7. ACTION ITEMS

Action: 7.1 Approval of 2022-2023 School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves what has been completed of the School Accountability Report Card (SARC).

RATIONALE: This is a mandated yearly document that must be posted on the VMCS Webpage by February 2024. All schools in California must complete and post a SARC.

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

Action: 7.2 Approval of 2022-2023 Audit Report

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the 2022-2023 Audit Report.

RATIONALE: The audit is a mandated yearly process completed by an outside entity to ensure VMCS is appropriately using State and Federal funds to implement all programs associate with the school.

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

Action: 7.3 Approval of 2023-2024 Comprehensive School Safety Plan

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the 2023-2024 Comprehensive School Safety Plan.

RATIONALE: The Comprehensive School Safety Plan needs to be revisited and refined year and is a requirement of all schools/districts in the State of California.

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

Action: 7.4 Approval of 2023-2024 1st Interim Budget Report

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the 2023-2024 1st Interim Budget Report.

RATIONALE: The 1st Interim Budget Report must be Board approved and submitted to the Anaheim Elementary School District and Orange County Department of Education in December 2023.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Farukhi
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	X	

Nelson	X	
Rhee	Absent	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Staff and Board Members shared hopes for a happy holiday season

Procedural: 8.1 General Comments

Information: 8.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 10, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be in-person.

9. BOARD ADJOURNMENT

Procedural: 9.1 Board Adjournment: 7:21 p.m.

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