

VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

1. OPEN GENERAL SESSION

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order 5:37 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, Procedural: 1.4 Approval of the Agenda

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

Motion: Bonenberger		Second: Nelson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay	
Anderson	X		
Bonenberger	X		
Farukhi	Late		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes Vote: 4/4			
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

Yvette LaValle reported that the SSC has not met since the last Board Meeting. Therefore, there was nothing to report.

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

Chammarra Nguyen reported that the ELAC has not yet met for the new school year. She was awaiting the completion of the ELPAC Assessments, which could result in the possible inclusion of new parents of English Learners.

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

Yvette LaValle presented on behalf of F.A.S.T.

- The first day of school had a strong enrollment, with TK the only grade level with space. For this reason, a TK/K combination class was formed.
- According to the City of Anaheim, they will be breaking ground in La Palma Park in October for an improved area. This may further impact the parking in the area, with the option of some parking spaces at the Carl's across from the school being investigated.
- Healthy Smiles was a success with a total of 32 scholars served.
- VMCS in the Community is the theme for our Community School Planning Grant.
- Vision screening will occur, with support provided even when scholars break their glasses.
- 80-90% of the Cow Chip Bingo tickets were out. Grades 4 and 6 will directly benefit from the sales of tickets with support going to their special field trips..

3. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)

Action, Minutes: 3.1 August 9, 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: Anderson	Aye	Second: Nelson	Nay
Anderson	X		
Bonenberger	X		
Farukhi	Late		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes Vote: 4/4			
Item Does Not Pass Vote:			

4. LEGAL CONSULTATION/TRAINING -- HANSBERGER & KLEIN

Information: 4.1 Annual Brown Act Training Portal

Board Members were reminded of the need to complete the online training on the Brown Act.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER

Information: 5.1 VMCS Board Calendar

The Board Members were reminded of the decision at the previous Board Meeting to modify the previously adopted Board Meeting Calendar. The two changes were highlighted during the meeting, and the new calendar was made available.

Information: 5.2 Progress Report on New Site

Requested changes/clarifications for the CUP to be approved by the City of Anaheim staff included refinements to a pathway for wheelchairs, playground procedures to reduce noise level, and parking agreement. While there was no date for the Planning Commission Public Hearing established yet, there was also no need to resubmit.

Discussion, Information: 5.3 Local Wellness Policy

The VMCS Board has no questions regarding the Local Wellness Policy, which had only minor revisions from the previous school year.

Information, Reports: 5.4 Williams Act -- Education Code Section 60119

Schroeder went over the Williams Act forms and reported that all scholars had the instructional resources and materials they needed.

Information, Reports: 5.5 Report on Possible Purchase of Two Shuttle Vans

LaValle presented information about the possible purchase of two 15-passenger vans. Her PowerPoint presentation was comprehensive, and she focused on the advantages of having vans for ease of accessibility and flexibility to support enrichment activities. The Board Members commented on the advantages of the vans rather than busses. The main questions that occurred involved the liability of driving the scholars. One Board Member asked for a consideration of three vans rather than two.

6. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN

Information: 6.1 Enrollment for 2023-2024

The current enrollment is 21 scholars with the following distribution:

- TK/K -- 23 (15/8)
- K -- 28
- 1 -- 32
- 2 -- 31
- 3 -- 33
- 4 -- 32
- 5 -- 32
- 6 -- 30

Information: 6.2 Waiting List for 2023-2024

As is typical at the beginning of the school year, the waiting list is smaller. There are higher numbers in the middle grades:

- TK -- 0
- K -- 0
- 1 -- 24
- 2 -- 23
- 3 -- 23

- 4 -- 77
- 5 -- 43
- 6 -- 0

Information: 6.3 Special Education Statistics

There is a rise in Special Education numbers in the state and country Our rising numbers are in alignment with what is occurring elsewhere.

7. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM

Information, Reports: 7.1 July Financials

Roy Kim introduced Samantha Choi, who was being onboarded at Icon School Management to provide additional budgetary support. Roy then presented the budget report for July using a PowerPoint.

Information, Reports: 7.2 Additional Fiscal Updates and Reports

No additional fiscal updates and/or reports.

8. ACTION ITEMS

Action: 8.1 Approval of Revised Calendar for Board Meeting

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the revised calendar for Board Meetings.

RATIONALE: After reviewing the Board Meeting Calendar at the last meeting, it was determined that we needed to revise it.

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

Action: 8.2 Approval of Local Wellness Policy and Local Wellness Policy Summary

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the Local Wellness Policy and Local Wellness Policy Summary.

RATIONALE: These documents need to be revisited by the staff and approved by the Board annually.

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

Action: 8.3 Approval of Resolution 09062023 in Fulfillment of the Williams Act

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves Resolution 09062023 in fulfillment of the Williams Act.

RATIONALE: This is part of the accountability process to ensure each scholar has the instructional textbooks/materials needed to succeed in school.

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

Action: 8.4 Ratification of the Hiring of Two Part-Time Instructional Assistants

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors ratifies the hiring of two part-time instructional assistants.

RATIONALE: The unexpected need for hiring two additional part-time instructional assistants is due to newly enrolled scholars with IEPs, as well as scholars with extreme behavioral needs.

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

9. BOARD COMMENTS

Procedural: 9.1 General Comments

Bonenberger reiterated his support for a van vs. bus. Rhee was hopeful that the calendar supported her consistent attendance. Nelson expressed amazement at the turn-out for Back-to-School Night.

Information: 9.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be in-person.

10. BOARD ADJOURNMENT

Procedural: 10.1 Board Adjournment: 7:10 p.m.

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