

**VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES AT 5:30 P.M.  
Wednesday, September 7, 2022**

**1. OPEN GENERAL SESSION**

**Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order 5:34 p.m.**

**Procedural: 1.2 Establishment of Quorum**

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

**Procedural: 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance**

**Action, Procedural: 1.4 Approval of the Agenda**

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

**Action, Procedural: 1.5 Approval of Resolution 090722: Waived Teleconference Requirements Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361**

**RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves Resolution No. 090722 in order to continue with Board Meetings in the current format until the Board determines it is appropriate to meet in person.**

**RATIONALE: We have been advised that the resolution needs to be revisited and passed every 30 days until we return to in-person Board Meetings.**

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

**Procedural: 1.6 Public Comment**

None

**2. PARENT REPORTS**

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

Erica Frutys reported on behalf of the SSC. At the last meeting on Thursday, September 1, 2022, the following topics were discussed.

- New SSC members were introduced based on the election process with parents selecting parents (4 total and 1 alternate), classified staff selecting classified staff (1), certificated staff selecting certificated staff (2), and the the founding/executive director (1).
- ELAC was discussed, with a planned alteration in the schedule to make meetings more accessible for the parents of English Learners. The new schedule will begin in September with a morning meeting. Morning meetings and evening meetings will alternate.
- The rationale for not permitting backpacks on campus was shared and discussed.
- There was a discussion of outerwear expectations to support greater unity with the school uniforms.
- A proposed form was presented that would be submitted by outside organizations wanting to use our facilities.
- An update was provided regarding the new school facility.
- Itzel brought up the ongoing homeless situation and the need to continue to call APD.

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

Chammarra Nguyen reported on behalf of ELAC. An ELAC Meeting had not been held yet. The focus was on completing the English Learner assessments (ELPAC) to determine if any of the newly enrolled scholars were English Learners. All parents of English Learners will be invited to the ELAC Meetings once they get started. The first meeting will be the third Wednesday in the morning at 8:30 a.m. Then, the meeting time will alternate between morning and evening.

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

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

- The fundraising focus for F.A.S.T. is currently Cow Chip Bingo. Last year this fundraiser cleared \$16,000. For Grades 4 and 6, the funds raised by parents are applied to the overnight field trips (i.e., Riley's Farm and AstroCamp).
- GATE scholars will serve in various roles at the Mayoral Forum on Thursday, September 15, from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Our scholars will support the League of Women Voters. All but one Mayoral Candidate confirmed. Board Members were encouraged to get the word out. Scholars from Anaheim Union High School District's Cambridge Virtual Academy will also provide support. This is a politically neutral event, and it is a service to the community so residents can hear from the candidates first hand.

**3. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)**

**Action, Minutes: 3.1 August 10, 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: Anderson	Second: Nelson	
Roll Call	Aye	Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 5/5		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER**

**Information: 4.1 Progress Report by Nelson Regarding New Site**

The goal is to get various studies completed by the end of October so the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) can be obtained from the City of Anaheim. The CUP must be in hand prior to beginning construction. The following information was shared by Robert.

- Traffic study needs to be completed.
- The Bank of America parking structure monthly cost per spot has been reduced, but it has been a slow communication process. And, the people conducting the traffic study need information regarding the parking structure.
- Internal building measurements have been completed.
- Civil engineer needs to complete topographical map of building and surrounding area.
- Noise study needs to be completed.

**Information: 4.2 Proposal by Stevenson Systems for Building Measurements**

The Board Members were asked if they had any questions regarding the Proposal by Stevenson Systems for Building Measurements. There were no questions.

**Information: 4.3 Proposals for Surveyance of Property**

The Board Members were asked if they had any questions regarding the Proposal by Kolibri for the surveyance of the property. There were no questions.

**Information: 4.4 Consolidated Application Certificate of Assurances**

The Board Members were reminded that the Consolidated Application Certificate of Assurances was completed annually. The Board Members had no questions.

**Information: 4.5 Board Policy Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA)**

Minor revisions were made regarding the Board Policy Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA). The revisions were discussed with the Board Members.

**Information: 4.6 Board Policy Smartphone Electronics**

Minor revisions were made regarding the Board Policy Smartphone Electronics. Without backpacks, it became necessary to purchase a storage carrier per classroom to store the scholars' phones while at school. In the case of an emergency, the storage carrier will make it possible to bring the phones out during the evacuation process.

**Information: 4.7 Board Policy Social Media**

Minor revisions were made regarding the Board Policy Social Media. The Board Members had no additional revisions.

**Information: 4.8 Annual Brown Act Training Portal**

The Board Members' progress on the Brown Act Training Portal was discussed.

**5. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN**

**Information: 5.1 Enrollment/Waiting List for 2022-2023**

There are currently 240 scholars enrolled at VMCS, with the following grade-level data:

- TK -- 18
- K -- 32
- 1 -- 32
- 2 -- 31
- 3 -- 32
- 4 -- 31
- 5 -- 32
- 6 -- 32

The waiting list is as follows, with 375 on the list:

- TK -- 0
- K -- 17
- 1 -- 12
- 2 -- 4
- 3 -- 59
- 4 -- 78
- 5 -- 58
- 6 -- 39

**Information: 5.2 Resolution 090722 B: Admittance of Scholars to Transitional Kindergarten Who Have Birthday after February 2, but During that Same School Year**

Because we currently have space in the TK class, it would be beneficial to expand who can be enrolled. This would include scholars who were born after February 2, 2023, but will turn 5 prior to the end of this school year. For early entry TK scholars, we will not receive ADA. However, their inclusion would be beneficial for the kindergarten classroom in 2023-2034. The initials of the scholars for whom we are seeking early entry into TK are MK, ZY, KM, and IA.

**6. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM**

**Information, Reports: 6.1 July Financials**

Roy Kim presented the July Financial via a PowerPoint Presentation. VMCS continues to have a strong reserve.

- Sharon Rhee asked a question regarding the petition's enrollment projection vs. the actual enrollment number. Are there any issues in having a higher than projected enrollment? Roy Kim responded that it depends upon the district's viewpoint. It is prudent to check with the district if over in enrollment. This may result in a material revision.
- Robert Nelson asked about interest rates and the balance with liquidity. May want to revisit with Farmers and Merchants at the next or future meeting.
- Kyle Bonenberger asked about the reserve, which currently equates to 403 days of cash on hand. It was shared that this was built over time. And, the increased in net income for this school year could be \$673,651. However, there could be changes over the school year.

**Information, Reports: 6.2 Fiscal Update**

Roy Kim presented a fiscal update via a PowerPoint Presentation. Areas discussed included the following. The Board Members had no questions regarding the report.

- Many schools are experiencing attendance declines.
- COVID-19 relief funds are diminishing.
- There could be some form of recession, but the Feds appear to be softening the blow.
- It is reminiscent of the 2009/2010 housing bubble/recession.

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

**Action: 7.1 Ratification of Stevenson Systems Proposal for Building Measurements**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors ratifies the use of Stevenson Systems for the interior building measurements of the new facility.

RATIONALE: These services are needed prior to an architect developing plans for the modernization of the building.

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

**Action: 7.2 Ratification of Kolibri for Building Surveyance Services**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors ratify the acceptance of the Kolibri proposal for building surveyance services.

RATIONALE: The accurate establishment of exterior property lines are required for the acquisition of a CUP from the City of Anaheim.

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

**Action: 7.3 Approval of the Consolidated Application and Assurances**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the Consolidated Application Report and Assurances for 2022-2023.

RATIONALE: In order to receive federal funds, the Board needs to approve the CAR annually.

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

**Action: 7.4 Approval of Board Policy -- Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA)**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the Board Policy -- Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA)

RATIONALE: In order to receive E-Rate funds, the CIPA needs to be reviewed and approved annually.

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

**Action: 7.5 Approval of Board Policy -- Smartphone Electronics**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves Board Policy -- Smartphone Electronics.

RATIONALE: With the preponderance of smartphones in the school setting, it is important to have a policy regarding their use at VMCS.

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

**Action: 7.6 Approval of Board Policy -- Social Media**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves Board Policy -- Social Media.

RATIONALE: Due to the scholars and parents active involvement is social media, a policy needs to be in place if something is viewed or reported that could have a negative impact on VMCS.

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

**Action: 7.7 Approval of Resolution 090722 B: Admittance of Scholars to TK Who Have Birthday after February 2, but During that Same School Year**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves Resolution 090722 B: Admittance of Scholars to TK Who Have Birthday after February 2, but During that Same School Year.

RATIONALE: To have full enrollment in TK, even without ADA benefit, it would help to enroll scholars who have birthdays outside of the established window.

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

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

**Action: 7.8 Approval of Title III MOU**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board of Directors approves the Title III MOU Consortium.

RATIONALE: Because of the size of VMCS and the limited number of English Learners, it is necessary to join a consortium in order to receive Title III funding.

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

**8. BOARD COMMENTS**

**Procedural: 8.1 General Comments**

Mike Anderson and Robert Nelson thanked Roy Kim for his wisdom and advice. Also, Mike Anderson thanked Robert Nelson for all of his work on the new facility.

**Information: 8.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.**

The Board determined that the October Meeting would be virtual. However, the meeting in November will be in-person since it will include the 1st Interim Budget Report.

**9. BOARD ADJOURNMENT**

**Procedural: 9.1 Board Adjournment: 7:05 p.m.**

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