

## **Vista School Board Meeting**

**July 17, 2019 Minutes**

**Location: 585 East Center, Ivins, UT 84738**

**Board members present:** Michelle Walter, Josh Aikens, Dave Hunter, Eli Milne

**Others present:** Marie Ehlers (School Counselor), Troy Bradshaw (Financial/Technology Director), Britni Armstrong (Board Secretary), Kelly Geary (VP), Twila Kay,

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**5:10 PM- CALL TO ORDER: Welcome and Introductions-** Josh Aikens

**5:31 PM- APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**June 26, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

Dave moves to approve minutes, Josh seconds. Josh Aikens says "Aye", Dave Hunter says "Aye", Eli Milne says "Aye", Michelle Walter says "Aye". Unanimously approved.

**5:10 PM- PUBLIC COMMENTS**

none

**5:10 PM- BOARD CALENDAR**

**Next Board Meeting- Wednesday, August 21 @ 5:00 pm**

**5:10 PM- REPORTS**

**5:10-Director's Report – Marie Ehlers**

**- Faculty/Staff Changes**

Alexis Neilson resigned- bringing Jennifer Jones to younger dance.

Marie earned grant to have a LCSW work at Vista- will interview next week.

**- Enrollment and Lottery Update**

Only up 5 from last month, everything still looks good.

**- Recent and upcoming events**

Back to school for teacher training the first week of August, first day of school August 12<sup>th</sup>.

**- Board Training**

**5:26-Financial Report – Troy Bradshaw**

**- Financials and Budget Review**

Nothing has changed since last month.

Troy scheduled meeting with Auditors on September 16th with Squires. Board members need to decide who attends.

**5:32 PM - DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**- FY SY Budget**

**5:32- Revise board election policy**

Move to next month

**5:33-Review Fee Schedule**

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade fees are increased by \$30 because of Chrome books. Competition fees increased slightly based on competitions.

Dave moves to approve fee schedule, Michelle seconds. Josh Aikens says "Aye", Dave Hunter says "Aye", Eli Milne says "Aye", Michelle Walter says "Aye". Unanimously approved.

**5:15-Comprehensive School Counseling Program/College and Career Readiness report**

Yearly update on program- focus on academic excellence and student achievement.

Several different programs available for students. College and Career readiness with 7<sup>th</sup> graders- ACT test- tracks if they are on track to be college ready. Social and emotional curriculum for all students is taught throughout the year. Wellness Center was started

last year- great place for kids to de-escalate when needed. Two parent nights are offered throughout the year, as well.

**5:44-Cash Disbursement Policy**

Eli moves to approve, Josh seconds. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Walter says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.

**5:48-Child Abuse or Neglect Policy**

Eli moves to approve, Josh seconds. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Walter says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.

**5:41-CIPA Compliance Policy**

Child and Internet Protection Act- we have been CIPA compliant for 10 years. Policy now has to be in place. Needs to be presented in public meeting, posted on website, and all parents notified. Michelle moves to approve, Josh seconds. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Walter says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.

**5:49-Employee Complaint Policy**

Eli has concerns- nothing about confidentiality, Eli is not willing to vote on policy as is. Michelle is also worried about the confidentiality. Eli is also worried that the Ombudsman is a subordinate to the director. Ombudsman should be the board chair. Michelle and Josh agree. Eli would like some language changed to protect some confidentiality before it is approved.

**5:53-Offenses against the Administration of Government**

Eli moves to approve, Dave seconds. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Walter says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.

**5:54-Recognizing Constitutional Religious Freedom in Schools**

Board members are discussing the relevance of this policy. Eli is not willing to approve as of right now. Would like to educate himself better on the policy. Tabled for next month. Section 105 has been repealed, policy needs to be reviewed.

**6:00-Separation and Severance Policy**

New policy- nothing in handbook yet. Dave has some concerns, would like to go over the policy more before approving. Eli wants to make sure all policies are consistent and would like to review handbook. Board members would like to review by-laws and organizational chart.

**MISC COMMENTS**

**TABLED AGENDA ITEMS**

Employee Complaint Policy  
Recognizing Constitutional Religious Freedom in Schools  
Separation and Severance Policy

**CLOSED SESSION**

**To discuss the character or competence of an individual. Requires Roll call vote.**

**6:18 PM – ADJOURN**

Dave moves to adjourn. Michelle seconds. Eli moves to go into closed session, Josh seconds. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Walter says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.