

## **Vista School Board Meeting**

**September 18, 2019 Minutes**

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

**Board members present:** Eli Milne, Michelle Root, Josh Aikens, Matt Middione, Dave Hunter

**Others present:** Sam Gibbs (Director), Marie Ehlers (Counselor), Troy Bradshaw (IT/Finance Director), Britni Armstrong (Board Secretary), Abe Nickle, Drew Williams

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**5:01 PM- CALL TO ORDER: Welcome and Introductions-** Dave Hunter

Michelle Walter is excused from the meeting.

**5:01 PM- APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**August 21, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

**August 27, 2019 Emergency Board Meeting Minutes (Amended)**

Eli moves to approve all minutes, Josh seconds. Josh Aikens says "Aye", Matt Middione say "Aye", Eli Milne says "Aye", Michelle Root says "Aye", Dave Hunter says "Aye".

Unanimously approved.

**5:03 PM- PUBLIC COMMENTS**

none

**5:00 PM- BOARD CALENDAR**

**Next Board Meeting- Wednesday, October 16 @ 5:00 pm**

**5:29 PM- REPORTS**

**5:29 Director's Report – Sam Gibbs**

**5:29- Faculty/Staff Changes**

none

**5:29- Enrollment and Lottery Update**

Current numbers: 928 enrolled (some students are half time and  $\frac{3}{4}$  time due to other things they are involved in outside of school) After October 1<sup>st</sup> some numbers may look different.

**5:33- Recent and upcoming events**

Department and committee meetings are coming up, board members are welcome to attend those. Math Counts starts Friday, Shakespeare preview and Swiss Days are coming up next week, as well as PTO Carnival and Drone Competition in October.

**5:35- Board Training**

Closing of American International School of Utah up north has changed charter school requirements. Sam is watching court case closely, as some board members of that school were named as defendants in litigation. One problem the school had was that they were using funds ear-marked for one thing and using it for other things. As well as restricted funds being reviewed monthly in the budge piece in the board meeting. Sam suggests our board also start reviewing those starting next month.

**5:45-Update on Expansion**

Committees that vetted the construction managers selected Hughes to manage the construction of our expansions. Plan to break ground early April, late March and finish by early July of following year. Matt things it's a good idea to do what we can to raise funds and find individuals who would sponsor the theater. Sam is willing to hire a firm to get this type of a sponsorship as we currently do not

have the means to do so in our staff. Josh asked if we are able to apply for RAP tax for the expansion. Sam acknowledged that it is something that we can do in the future.

**-Update on Vista Foundation**

**Financial Report – Troy Bradshaw**

**5:52- Financials and Budget Review**

Troy presents new format of financials, walks the board through how to access different accounts. He suggests going over this with a finance committee, and explained the way the different accounts work in the document. Sam suggests taking one set of funds and looking over them each month.

**5:03 PM - DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**5:03- FY SY Budget**

none

**5:03- Approve Flow Chart**

Eli moves to approve both the Flow Chart and Employee Handbook. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Matt Middione say “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Root says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.

**5:04-Updated Employee Handbook**

Previously approved.

**5:06-Articulation agreement with ACE Academy**

ACE is a technology school for upper grades. Sam discussed an articulation agreement with them and Vista students who are technology bound. ACE met with administration 2 weeks ago, agreed to agreement. ACE is only 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade right now. Board went through document with Sam and corrected any errors. Eli asks about paragraph 11, asking why we are holding them harmless from any claims or litigations. He suggests taking the paragraph out because it suggests we will indemnify them. Dave and rest of board agrees to pull it.

Eli moves to authorize Sam to proceed to have this agreement executed and negotiate any changed to it, but prior to finalizing any changes to current draft, that he be required to email the board a copy of proposed changes and the board has 24 hrs to respond, Matt seconds. Josh Aikens says “Aye”, Dave Hunter says “Aye”, Matt Middione say “Aye”, Eli Milne says “Aye”, Michelle Root says “Aye”. Unanimously approved.

**- COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM**

**MISC COMMENTS**

**TABLED AGENDA ITEMS**

**CLOSED SESSION**

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

**6:09 PM – ADJOURN**

Eli moves to close Josh seconds, Eli says “Aye”, Matt says “Aye”, Josh says “Aye”.