

## Vista School Board Meeting

September 28, 2023 Minutes

Location: 585 East Center, Ivins, UT 84738

Webex Link: <https://www.vistautah.com/board/board-meeting-live-stream/>

**Board members present:** Peter Dawson, Alicia Maldonado, Jacqueline Powell, Scott Smith, Michelle Walter

**Others present:** Michelle Andes, Troy Bradshaw, Dr. Justin Blasko, Marie Ehlers, Julie Fonseca, Kelly Geary, Shilee Dandurand, Robert MacFarlane, via Webex: Alexis, James Bybee, Kerry Taylor, Terra Thornley, Shirley Wotowic, Janice, Rachel Henrickson

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**6:02 PM FLAG SALUTE:** Michelle Walter

**6:03 PM CALL TO ORDER:** Welcome and Introductions - Michelle Walter

**6:06 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Scott Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Alicia Maldonado seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Jacqueline Powell abstained. Approved unanimously.

**6:04 PM PUBLIC COMMENTS** Shilee Dandurand spoke about two safety concerns.

### 6:07 PM BOARD CALENDAR

Next Board Meeting - October 26th @ 6 pm, training at 5:30

### 6:08 PM REPORTS

6:08 PM Director's Report - Justin Blasko

100 Day Plan - Dr. Blasko reviewed the status of his 100 day plan.

Enrollment and Lottery Update - The school currently has 1118 students enrolled, and 46 on the waitlist.

Academic Progress - Dr. Blasko is meeting with staff and admin to make sure we use meaningful student testing and data.

Faculty/Staff Changes - The school has added Marilyn Russell, an ELL teacher.

Upcoming and Past Events - Friday is the Shakespeare Preview Night. Last week was Santa Clara Days. Two of our groups will be performing at the Huntsman Senior Games. SAINT will be performing Dracula.

6:56 PM Financial Report - Troy Bradshaw presented the latest profit & loss.

7:08 PM Committee Reports (Finance, Audit, Governance) - Director Dawson reported that the finance committee met and discussed the strategic vision for the school, foundation, and PTO. There was also a discussion on branding.

### 7:25 PM DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Website Presentation - Janice presented her company and the pricing structure for Frog Tummy, which works on charter school marketing, branding, lottery, and websites. Chair Walter presented a branding package put together by her company for the board to review.

LEA Specific Approvals - Dr. Blasko reported on two teachers who are up for LEA Specific certification review, Micheline Barben and Shellie Thomas. Scott Smith made a motion to approve LEA Specific teachers. Jacqueline Powell seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye,"

Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

Reading on Grade Level - Dr. Blaski reported on the recently released Reading on Grade Level data.

Articulation Agreement - Dr. Blasko presented an agreement between Vista School and Success Academy. Jacqueline Powell made a motion to approve the articulation agreement. Alicia Maldonado seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

Board Retreat - Tabled for the next meeting

Civility Policy - Dr. Blasko presented two civility policies for the board to review. Scott Smith made a motion to approve a civility policy with changes recommended by Director Powell. Michelle Walter seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM** None

Scott Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION** Closed session for reasons stated in Utah Code 54-4-204.