



Voyagers Expeditionary School Board Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2018

Mission

The mission of VES is to provide students with the necessary tools to lead meaningful and productive lives through hands-on learning, service to others and environmental stewardship.

Vision Statement

Starting at a level much deeper than just curriculum, the design of VES addresses the origins of learning and the fundamental well-being of students. The foundation necessary to achieve the mission of our school is the establishment of a community of learners, composed of students, families, teachers, and staff who share the conviction that the best education takes place in an intentionally developed environment that nurtures, protects, challenges, and values every member of that community.

Call to Order and Establish a Quorum-Meeting called to order at 5:15 by Chair Brian Olson.

Board Members Present: Brian Olson, Kari Olson, Ross Millar, and Heidi Seitz

Board Members Absent: Lynnette Bedeau

Officers Present: Scott Anderson and Kathy Skinner

Officers Absent: Jean Fjelsta

Guests: Olivia Bauman, Summer Miller, Rebecca Kummet, Bruce Banta

Approval of Meeting Agenda-Heidi Seitz motioned to approve the agenda. Ross Millar seconded. All approved.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Senior Class House Project Presentation-Summer Miller and Olivia Baumann presented their final house project giving information of the specifics and various details they needed to incorporate and what subject areas were involved in the project.

A. Consent Agenda: Consent agenda items are considered routine in nature and will be voted upon With a single motion; however, any board member may request that items on the Consent Agenda be removed from it for independent consideration. Any items so identified will be moved to the Action Item portion of the agenda.

- ◆ Minutes from 11-12-18 board meeting
- ◆ 11-30-18 Financials

Heidi Seitz motioned to approve the agenda. Ross seconded. All approved.

How Well Are Students Doing?

B. Reports

- ◆ Director's Report

Is Everything Occurring Appropriately?

C. Public Comments: Any person wishing to speak directly to the Board, once recognized by the board chair, may do so for up to 5 minutes. The public input period will last no longer than 5 minutes.

D. Information/Discussion Items

- ◆ ACNW Site Visit Follow Up-Brian gave a written report based on his conversation with Rhianon Sargent before the November board meeting. After discussion, a retreat was set for January 28th.
- ◆ Employee Self Evaluation
- ◆ ACNW Income/Expenditure Report
- ◆ Second Reading of Proposed By-Laws

E. Board Committees

- ◆ Finance Committee Minutes-No finance meeting was held in December.
- ◆ Establish Election Committee-Ross Millar volunteered to be the Chair. He will establish a committee and report back to the board with a timeline of events for the 2019 election.

F. Action Items

- ◆ MN Zoo Submission/Accept Grant Award-Kari Olson motioned to approve the MN Zoo grant that will allow for an overnight stay at the Zoo for the middle school students and staff. Heidi Seitz seconded. All approved.
- ◆ World's Best Workforce Summary Report-Kari Olson motioned to approve the WBWF report. Ross Millar seconded. All approved.

Board Assessment and Development

- ◆ ACNW Exhibit G-Academic & Non-Academic Goals
- ◆ ACNW Exhibit H-Environmental Education Goals
- ◆ Open Meeting Law
- ◆ Board Self Evaluation Form
- ◆ Board Meeting Observation Form

G. Adjourn the Regular Meeting-Kari Olson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Heidi Seitz seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. by chair Brian Olson

Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, January 14, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.

