



Voyageurs Expeditionary School Board Meeting Minutes  
December 9, 2019

**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 was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Acting Chair Shana Torgeson.

Board Members Present – Shana Torgeson, Becky Reinartz, Kari Olson, John Eggers and Cindy Tesar.  
Board Members Absent – Donna Zelinsky

Officers Present – Scott Anderson, Kathy Skinner and Cynthia England

Guest – Joe Gould, Teacher

Approval of Meeting Agenda – Becky Reinartz motioned to approve the agenda; Kari Olson seconded; all approved.

Declaration of Conflict of Interest - None

**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 11-11-19 Board Meeting
- ◆ Minutes from 12-03-19 Special Board Meeting
- ◆ 11-30-19 Financials

Becky Reinartz motioned to approve Consent Agenda, Cindy Tesar seconded, all approved.

## **How Well Are Students Doing?**

### **B. Reports**

- ◆ Director's Report

## **Is Everything Occurring Appropriately?**

### **C. Public Comments:** None

### **D. Information/Discussion Items:** None

### **E. Board Committees**

- ◆ 12-03-19 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

### **F. Action Items**

- ◆ **Review & Approve 2018-19 World's Best Workforce Summary** – Kari Olson motioned to approve WBW Summary; Cindy Tesar seconded; all approved.
- ◆ **Establish Director Evaluation Committee** – Becky Reinartz motioned to establish an Ad Hoc Director Evaluation Committee; Cindy Tesar seconded; Cindy Tesar, Shana Torgeson and John Eggers volunteered to serve on this committee; all approved.
- ◆ **Establish Bylaw Committee** – Kari Olson motioned to establish an Ad Hoc Bylaw Committee; Becky Reinartz seconded; Cindy Tesar, Becky Reinartz and Joe Gould volunteered to serve on this committee; all approved.
- ◆ **Establish Staff Handbook/Policy Committee** - Kari Olson motioned to establish an Ad Hoc Staff Handbook/Policy Committee; Becky Reinartz seconded; Kari Olson, Shana Torgeson and Cindy Tesar volunteered to serve on this committee; all approved.
- ◆ **Board Composition** – John Eggers motioned to add Amanda Willis as a community member to the Board. She will be seated at the regular meeting in January. Kari Olson seconded; all approved.

## **Board Assessment and Development**

### **G.**

- ◆ Required Financial Course 200 Online from Jan. 10 – Jan. 21, 2019
- ◆ Teacher Licensing Update

**H. Adjourn the regular meeting** – Becky Reinartz motioned to adjourn; Kari Olson seconded; all approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.

Next Regular Board Meeting: January 13, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.

