



Voyageurs Expeditionary School Board Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2020

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 Board Chair Shana Torgeson.

Board Members Present – Becky Reinarz, Cynthia Tesar, Kari Olson, John Eggers, Shana Torgeson, Donna Zelinsky and Amanda Willis

Officers Present – Scott Anderson, Kathy Skinner and Cynthia England

Guests – Joe Gould – Teacher, Kelly Marcum – School Counselor, Shelby Spry - Teacher, Tanya White – Community, Mark England - Community

Approval of Meeting Agenda – Becky Reinarz Motioned to approve the Agenda, Cindy Tesar 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 2-10-2020 Board Meeting
- ◆ 2-29-2020 Financials

Becky Reinarz Motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, Donna Zelinsky 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

- ◆ MN Dept. of Health Grant
- ◆ Proposed Constitutional Amendment

E. Board Committees

- ◆ 3-3-20 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
- ◆ Report from Director Evaluation Committee
- ◆ Report from Bylaw Committee
- ◆ Report from Staff Handbook/Policy Committee
- ◆ Report from Election Committee

F. Action Items

- ◆ **AIPAC Approval** – Becky Reinartz motioned to approve AIPAC application; Kari Olson Seconded, all approved.

Board Assessment and Development

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- ◆ Compilation of Board Development Surveys

H. Adjourn the regular meeting Kari Olson Motioned to adjourn the meeting, Cynthia Tesar Seconded, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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