



Voyageurs Expeditionary School Board Meeting Agenda  
May 11, 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 – The meeting was conducted virtually on Zoom and was called to order by Shana Torgeson at 5:38 pm.

Board Members Present – Kari Olson, Becky Reinartz, John Eggers, Amanda Willis, Shana Torgeson and Cynthia Tesar.

Officers Present – Scott Anderson and Cynthia England

Officer Absent – Kathy Skinner

Guest – Joe Gould

Approval of Meeting Agenda – John Eggers Motioned to approve the agenda, Amanda Willis 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 4-13-2020 Board Meeting
- ◆ 4-30-2020 Financials

Cynthia Tesar Motioned to approve the Consent Agenda; Kari Olson 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. – None.

### **D. Information/Discussion Items**

- ◆ Parent & Student Survey Results
- ◆ School Year '21 Preliminary Budget

### **E. Board Committees**

- ◆ 5-5-20 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**

- ◆ Final Review of 2020-2021 School Calendar – Becky Reinarz Motioned to approve the calendar; Kari Olson Seconded; all approved
- ◆ Adoption of Tele Related Services Policy – John Eggers Motioned to adopt the policy; Kari Olson Seconded; all approved.
- ◆ Approve Audit Firm Miller McDonald – Amanda Willis Motioned to approve the firm; John Eggers Seconded; all approved.
- ◆ Review, Approve & Accept MDE Kitchen Equipment Grant – Kari Olson Motioned to approve & accept the grant; Becky Reinarz Seconded; all approved.
- ◆ Review & Approve 2020-2021 MACS Memberships
- ◆ Review & Approve Charter School Contract Amendment
  - a) School Closure Plan & Process
  - b) Update of School Lottery Process
  - c) Board Member Statement of AssuranceBecky Reinarz Motioned to approve the amendment; Kari Olson Seconded; all approved
- ◆ Approval of Election Results – Shana Torgeson Motioned to approve the results; Cindy Tesar Seconded; all approved. Becky Reinarz received the most votes. Another person was written in on a ballot; that person will be contacted to find out if she is interested in serving on the Board.

## Board Assessment and Development

### **G.**

- ◆ Voyageurs Reporting Requirements

#### **H. Director's Performance Review & Evaluation**

- ◆ Approval to close the meeting. The meeting will be closed as permitted by section 13D.05 subdivision 3(a) to review the Director's performance and evaluation materials. Becky Reinartz Motioned to close the meeting; Cindy Tesar Seconded; all approved
- ◆ Approval to re-open the meeting. John Eggers Motioned to re-open the meeting; Kari Olson Seconded; all approved.
- ◆ Summary of closed meeting: The board adopted a resolution to offer an administrative contract for the 2020-2021 school year

#### **J. Adjourn the meeting – the meeting as adjourned at 7:10 p.m. by Shana Torgeson.**

Next Regular Board Meeting: June 8, 2020 at 5:15 p.m.