



Voyageurs Expeditionary School Board Meeting Minutes
April 15, 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 called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Chair Brian Olson

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

Closed Meeting: Ross Millar motioned to close the meeting. Kari Olson seconded. All approved.
The meeting will be closed as permitted by section 13D.05 Subd 3(a) to evaluate the performance of the School Director.

Ross Millar motioned to re-open the regular meeting. Donna Zelinsky seconded. All approved. Meeting re-opened at 6:15 p.m. by Chair Brian Olson

Summary of Closed meeting: The Directors evaluation has been completed. A meeting will be scheduled at a later date to go over the results with the Director.

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

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

Officers Present: Scott Anderson and Kathy Skinner

Guest: Heather Lucas

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

Declaration of Conflict of Interest

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 1-14-19 board meeting
- ◆ 1-31-19 Financials

Heidi Seitz motioned to approve the March financials and minutes. 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

E. Board Committees

- ◆ Finance Committee Minutes: The Finance Committee minutes were provided. The committee recommends a budget revision to be more in line with ADM of 100.
- ◆ Election Committee Minutes: Ross Millar gave a verbal report. Ballots have been mailed. Deadline to vote is 4 p.m. on April 26, 2019
- ◆ Director Evaluation Committee:

F. Action Items

- ◆ 2019-20 Academic Calendar: Discussion about the changes from hexes to quarters. That is adds more student contact days. Heidi Seitz motioned to approve. Ross Millar seconded. All approved.
- ◆ Budget Revision: Heidi Seitz motioned to approve the revised budget to show revenue and expenditures based on the ADM of 100 students.
- ◆ SPED Contract with Indigo: Scott has asked Indigo for more clarification of what is included in the increased cost of the contract from this year. He has not received that information. Tabling vote until next month.

Board Assessment and Development

- ◆ MACS Board Training Dates
- ◆ ACNW Meeting Minute Suggestions

G. Adjourn the Regular Meeting: Kari Olson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Donna Zelinsky seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m. by Chair Brian Olson.

Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.