

**Agenda Items for
La Vida Board of Directors
December 13, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER TIME: _____

ROLL CALL: Board: Cynthia Raiser Jeavons _____,

Kevin Britton _____, Freyja Scott _____,

Executive Director: Ann Kelly _____

Business Manager: Mardi Hinton _____

Staff Reps: _____

Observers: _____

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Approve Minutes for September 13, 2017
2. Approve Agenda, December 13, 2017 (note October 11 meeting was cancelled because of wildfire evacuation. November 8 meeting was also cancelled because of no electricity.)
3. Approval of the Unaudited Actuals for 2016-17.
Moved _____ 2nd _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____

COMMUNICATIONS (3 minutes)

Public Comment on Non Agenda items for information only.

Director's Report :

Enrollment: 86, 10 gains and 5 losses since October 2. CBEDs count 82 on Oct 4.

Financials: Approval of First Interim Budget at this meeting. Slight adjustment in assumptions and salary expectations. Deadline for submission is Friday Dec. 15.

990 taxes extension was filed and approved. Due May 15, 2018.

Robertson and Associates, our Auditors had internet problems and requested an extension. Willits Unifies had to make the request to the State Controller's Office by December 1. This was accomplished. Audit is normally due December 15, and the extension is for one month.

Auditors found a problem with two Kindergarten vaccinations. Student's were not completely vaccinated within the time frame and were allowed to attend onsite. There will be a penalty, some or all of the apportionment for those students.

Prop 39, Clean Energy Grant has been submitted and are waiting for feedback. La Vida has over \$77,000 earmarked by the state for this grant. The proposal includes

replacement of lights with LEDs, a new Air Conditioning system (HVAC), Replacement of some windows with double paned glass, and the installation of 36 Solar Panels on a car port. We can make changes, but have to keep track. Monies not spent must be returned. Work must be completed by December 2020. The Golden Rule (landlords) will have to approval. They may do some of the work if they wish.

Academic Accountability: Weekly Check-ins*: Some families have been excellent. However the majority are not doing the check- ins. Teachers will be increasing the awareness and more communication will be coming from the administration after break.

Math Program: Some teachers are not seeing much homework getting accomplished and students are beginning to stall which is jeopardizing advancement. Teachers will meet to discuss the situation next week and tutoring info is going out before break.

Willits Unified: The Director met with Superintendent Mark Westerberg for the beginning of the year check-in. Discussed teacher/ intern credentialing, and reviewed items for the End of Year Report. The Superintendent expressed concern of the proportionately large number of seniors, 12 out of 30.

Submitted the End of Year Report* which was approved at the December 6 meeting.

Golden Rule: A special honoring ceremony prefaced the fall play. The five members of the Golden Rule Fire Fighting Team, who saved the school, homes and ranch from the wildfires, were awarded Medals of Valor, and received a shovel and pulsat for their tools box. Three dozen hand lettered bandanas were given to the support team.

Special Ed: The county office cannot supply a school psychologist at this time. El Paseo Children's Services will handle the psychological evaluations until someone is in place locally. El Paseo helped us out last year with a positive outcome.

The Selpa Steering Committee met and provided interesting budgetary information.*

Six teachers attended a day long training on Working with Students with Autism in the Classroom at MCOE.

Two IEPs were held.

Office Staff: Training and transition to a new School Secretary is underway. Amanda Toohey is replacing Eleanor Strader. Eleanor will be starting a graduate program in Business Administration at Mills College in January.

Trainings: Director attended the annual conference for the Charter School Development Center in San Diego. There is lots of information to share with the board. Also met some potential new curriculum vendors.

The Student Services Liaison, Danielle Canaris began the Simplicity Parenting coaching sessions.

Students: Elementary students did a great job in singing and dancing in the American Tall Tales Play.

Seven students received Rainbow Awards for being kind and/ or working hard.

Parents: Parents stepped up to help at the Thankfulness Feast. Little gratitude awards were given to parents in general, and a few received specific recognition: Jesse Jane Pope, Melissa Cassanova, Tina Dougherty, and Patrick Kincade. Irene Soto in the High School.

Site: High School students planted a spiral path with herbs in the back yard. Progress has been made on draining the underneath of the building. Hanging the world map board for the Waldorf One World Postcards is underway.

Outreach: Family Life quarter page. Add for the Sweet Life Book is in the new Word of Mouth Magazine. Proceeds go to benefit fire victims and La Vida.

Two small fundraisers are in progress: one is the beautiful Waldorf Calendar to help pay for the postage for the Waldorf Postcards. International stamps are \$1.15 each. 30 have been sent to Europe and South Africa so far. 1200 postcards in all, many are in the USA.

The second is another run for the holidays of the Sweet Life Book, with proceeds going towards fire victims and La Vida.

Coming Up: Community Thursday December 14. Paperwork Week Dec. 18-21. Winter Break Dec 22- Jan 8. Staff End of Year Pot Luck and White Elephant Gift Exchange on Dec 22.

Alliance for Public Waldorf Conference, Sacramento January 12-14

Martin Luther King Holiday, No School, January 15.

ELPAC, English Language Proficiency Assessments for California, Training Conference (required), Red Bluff, Jan 16.

Next Board Meeting- January 17

Discussion:

1. Review the First Interim Budget.*
2. Department of Education Updates.*
3. Other Ongoing Business-

Action Items:

1. Resolution 269: Approve the First Interim Budget, Multi year projection and Cash Flow.

Moved_____ 2nd_____ Ayes_____ Nays_____

2. Resolution 270: Approval of two paid Natural Disaster Days for all staff who would be normally working. Sick time or working on November 10 are choices for makeup days staff who did not work other days during the fire but were paid.

Moved ____ 2nd ____ Ayes ____ Nays ____

3. Resolution 271: Withdrawal of Membership in Schools Excess Liability Fund (SELF) – To be effective 7/1/2018 through the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Northern California Schools Insurance Group (NCSIG).

Moved ____ 2nd ____ Ayes ____ Nays ____

Closed Session:

In _____ Closed Session Out _____

1. Approving the hire of the new school secretary.
2. Plan to replace teacher on Family Medical Leave.
3. Approval of Educational Coordinator duties for grades 2 & 3 teacher.

Report Out Summary of Closed Session:

Time Adjourned _____

* denotes handout