

**Agenda Items for  
La Vida Board of Directors  
September 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 August 9, 2017
2. Approve Agenda September 13, 2017
3. Approve Changes to the 2017-18 Academic Calendar. (add two holidays)  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_
4. Approve the Employee Handbook.\*
5. Approve the Parent and Student Handbook.\*
6. Approve the High School Program.\*
7. Office Structure\*
8. On- Site Schedules for Elementary and High School\*

**COMMUNICATIONS (3 minutes)**

Public Comment on Non Agenda items for information only.

**Director's Report :**

**Enrollment:** Officially 82 enrolled with several coming in.

**Financials:** Business Manager and Director will be meeting next week to make any needed revisions. \$2,500 needs to be added for intern support.

Prop 39, Clean Energy Audit and plan came back suggesting changing out the lighting to save energy dollars over time. Lots of money still on the table, with discussion about improving some of the windows.\*

**Academic Accountability:** Wrapping up MAP Diagnostic this week for Reading and Math. For the Fall testing session, we will test for Language Usage and Science. The new internet speed is helping with smoother testing.

**Special Ed:** The new Special Ed Coordinator, Edward Cannon is getting services organized. Presence Learning started last week and Tiny Eye will start this week.

We have 10 students with IEPs and 504 this year, down from 12 and 2 last year. Both special ed staff will be attending Rockin' Your IEP s: IEP Basics and Case Management this week and Demystifying Dyslexia: Where Do We Go From Here? next week.

This year we will have a small group working with the Dianne Craft Reading Intervention, and Brain Integration Therapy and having a monthly support group for Parents since they are doing the bulk of the program at home.

**Teachers:** It has been the busiest month of the year between in-service, orientation, new teachers trainings on the PLS system, all the family meetings and Master Agreements, setting up classrooms, getting syllabi written, first days of classes. Everyone is giving 110%.

We are grateful to Karen Loyster for her role as mentor teacher the newbies. Her help is significant.

Our second and last training on the Zspace Virtual Reality Computers occurred Aug. 18 with two Rock Star Educational Technology Trainers, Dee Dickson and Deb Atchison.

45 classes received A-G Certification (university prep) over the summer thanks to Karen Walsh. Most are Odysseyware Career and Tech Ed classes. Two new Oak Meadow classes were approved and we are waiting on two more. We now have 77 courses with A-G certification which is making progress in our WASC and LCAP goals.

**Office:** We are without an office assistant, which means extra work for the office team. Eleanor Strader has been a great sport about coming back in and doing the fullness of the School Secretary job until she leaves for grad school in January. Interviews for that position will run in October. Mountains of Curriculum have been organized and processed. Orders are still coming in. Everyone that ordered curriculum at the Curriculum Fair in June, had full packages to take home at Orientation. 50% of families had not returned all curriculum last June.

**Parents:** Parent Orientation for Elementary had 7 workshops, most about 30 minutes or less in round robin fashion. Topics included- Getting Started: Policies & Changes, How to use your Curriculum which was customized to specific groups, a session on How Our Singapore Math program works, Paperwork, Parent Resources, Volunteer Signups. There were Meet the Teacher Class Meetings and Curriculum Check out in the afternoon. Childcare for school age children ran from 9 to 3. High School had a morning and evening session. An Alternative Session for those who missed was on the first day of school. Eight families went to the Total Solar Eclipse in Oregon and were travelling on Orientation Day. Weekly Check-ins are starting out with enthusiasm.

**Site:** The new internet is finally working well. There were problems with router integration that caused slow or no internet for a couple of weeks.

We made the switch to Google Education and now have Google school emails and calendars with all EC meetings viewable through each teacher.

Lots of effort in the Orchard for the September 17 Sweet Life- A Day in the Orchard event.

Purchased a portable air conditioner for the Art Room which has made life in that busy space much more bearable.

**Outreach:** Ads and Back to School Article in the Ukiah Daily Journal and Willits Weekly.\* Ads in Family Life, the most recent for Community Celebrations, Peace Day and Community Thursday.\*

**Coming Up:** September 15- Dianne Craft Reading Intervention Support Group 11:00.\*  
September 17, 1-3, Songs Stories and Celebration: A Day in the Orchard\*  
Sept. 19, Peace Day Ice Cream Social at 1:30-2:30.\*  
Sept. 28 HS. Community Thursday  
October 6, Pumpkin Patch Field Trip  
October 11: Next Board Meeting, 6pm.

**Discussion:**

1. Other Ongoing Business-

**Action Items:**

Resolution 269:

Moved\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup>\_\_\_\_ Ayes\_\_\_\_ Nays\_\_\_\_

**Closed Session:** Non Planned

In\_\_\_\_\_ Closed Session Out\_\_\_\_\_

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**Report Out Summary of Closed Session:**

**Time Adjourned** \_\_\_\_\_

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