

**Agenda Items for
La Vida Board of Directors
April 10, 2019 at 6 pm.**

CALL TO ORDER TIME: _____

ROLL CALL: Board: Cynthia Raiser Jeavons _____,

Kevin Britton_____, Freyja Scott_____,

Executive Director: Ann Kelly____

Business Manager: Mardi Hinton _____

Staff Reps: Fawn Bassett_____

Observers: _____

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Approve Minutes for March 6, 2019.
2. Approve Agenda for April 10, 2019.

Moved_____ 2nd_____ Ayes_____ Nays_____

COMMUNICATIONS (3 minutes)

Public Comment on Non Agenda items for information only.

Graduation Candidate Interviews:

Interview with two early graduates: Rain Powell, and Juniper Clancy.

Students were asked to prepare these questions for tonight's interview.

1. Describe who you are. What are your interests and possible fields or careers you would like to explore?
2. What has been the most meaningful part of your education thus far? You might include skills you have learned, books that had an impact on you, projects or people you have worked with that inspired you, etc.?
3. What or how would you like to contribute to the world?
4. Discuss you Economics Project.

Director's Report :

Enrollment: Enrollment is at 86, Enrollment is closed for this year. The Lottery for next year will be held on May 1st.

Financials: Prop 39 Clean Energy Grant: We have a bid for the solar electric elements of the solar shade structure from Ralph Pisciotta Electric for \$12,657.37. Next we will get a bid for the wood structure plus a second bid for the project.

We got the go ahead from the county to send in the Form 700's.

Academic Accountability: We are in Testing Season. MAP is finished. Preliminary results show students did relatively well on the Science test. A number of students grew 10 points or more in Math.

The Smarter Balanced Test is being offered on Monday and Wednesday. About 12 elementary students are taking it and only one 11th grader so far. (Three others are scheduled to join)

The Physical Fitness Test is about half completed for grades 5, 7 and 9. Final sessions are this week.

Held the Math Challenge for grades K-8 and students showed a good grasp in story problem solving and working out the solution using bar models.

High School Students participated in the Benchmark Fair. Fifteen, about half, presented on their projects. It was the first annual and there were some well executed projects and a great deal of pride of accomplishment on the part of the students.

Charter Renewal- The Willits Board of Trustees gave us a unanimous vote on March 13. There are details to work out with the MOU, Memorandum of Understanding.

Special Ed: Two IEPs were held. Director attended the March SELPA Steering Committee meeting.

Teachers: Grades for Winter term were turned in and sent out.

At a recent Teacher Learning Community- a course on Managing Behavior in the classroom – Antecedent to Behavior- was offered. There was robust discussion between the sections. The group will finish the course at the end of April.

Drama and ASL teacher Mana Youngbear is on Medical Leave for the rest of the year.

Trainings: The director went to Eureka for a tutorial on developing CTE pathways (Career and Technical Education.) Our areas of interest at this time are Informational Technology, Culinary Arts and Alternative Energy Engineering.

Larry Cole attended the third session on the Social Studies Frameworks with one more to go.

Students: Twelve pieces are in the annual *Art Under 20* exhibit at the Willits Center for the Arts. The opening was the first Friday in April.

As an all school celebration for the elementary school, for charter renewal and accomplishing the Math Challenge, there was a movie afternoon (the first ever) with Moana as the feature, chosen for our year of spirals in nature. Almost two hundred spirals are illustrated in the movie.

The onsite high school group went on a part day field trip to the SPACE performance of the Prophet which was brilliantly directed. They also went to a science careers show at the Mendocino College Gallery put on by the science faculty.

Parents: One Morning Institute on Expository Writing was held with only two attendees and ample reminders. The Simplicity Parenting series of three is up next. A sign up request went out last week.

Site: Having a heater that works is a plus for the whole environment. More LED flashlights and butane for the emergency heater was purchased for emergency supplies.

Coming Up: K-5 Field Trip to Montgomery Woods on April 11. Trynt Young, Mt Everest climber will speak on April 16. Also on April 16 is the Open House and Easter Egg Hunt. April is Frozen Fruit Smoothie Fundraiser Month. Morning Institutes on April 9, and 30. Next Board Meeting is May 8, perhaps reschedule because of important trainings are happening that day.

Discussion:

1. Review and update if necessary the Board By-Laws.*
2. Possibly Reschedule the May 8 meeting.
3. Other Ongoing Business-

Action Items:

1. Resolution 295: Approve changes and updates in the Board By-Laws: (Specifically, to be delineated at the meeting)

Moved____ 2nd____ Ayes____ Nays____

Closed Session:

Report on high school students negative behaviors. For information only.

In_____ Closed Session Out_____

Report Out Summary of Closed Session:

Time Adjourned _____

*denotes handout