

**Agenda Items for
La Vida Board of Directors
September 9, 2020 at 6 pm.
Zoom Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER TIME: _____

ROLL CALL: Board: Kevin Britton_____, Cynthia Raiser Jeavons _____,
Freyja Scott_____,

Executive Director: Ann Kelly____

Business Manager: Mardi Hinton _____

Staff Reps: _____

Observers: _____

CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Approve Minutes for August 12, 2020.
2. Approve Agenda for September 9, 2020.
3. Approve the 2020-21 Academic Calendar*
4. Approve the 2020-21 Parent and Student Handbook*
5. Approve the 2020-21 Employee Handbook*
6. Approve the 2020-21 High School Program*

Moved_____ 2nd_____ Ayes_____ Nays_____

COMMUNICATIONS (3 minutes)

Public Comment on Non Agenda items for information only.

This year we are inspired by the peace and magical visage of Sun on the Water and diving deeper to discover the medley of life in the Octopus's Garden.

An additional mini theme is the Golden Rule.

Director's Report :

Enrollment: There are 103 enrolled with two more coming in. The Governor is not going to give Non Classroom Based Charter Schools increased funds for greater enrollment per SB 820. Therefore we will be receiving revenue based on last year's P-2 which was 80 ADA.

Financials: The financial project of the moment is closing out the 2019-20 fiscal year.

We will need another meeting to approve the Learning Loss Plan for the September 30 deadline.

Academics: Orientation and Curriculum Pick Up were all new and different this year. Orientation was a video which is on the website with several small videos included. There were also Question and Answer sessions for both Elementary and High School.

Curriculum Pick Up was scheduled by grade and people stayed in their cars and were served that way. It was quite smokey from wildfires on top of the Covid protocol

concerns. About 98% attended Curriculum pick up. The others are out of town and will start a little late. Effort was made to make the event festive with under the sea decorations etc. All parents received an orientation folder with lots of varied information, including facial coverings and thermometers. High School Students also received orientation folders. Part of the Orientation Video reviewed the folder contents.

First Day of School was Monday, August 31. There are seven weekly Zoom classes* for Math K- Algebra; a drama class for elementary, two history classes for high school, and an art class. All students, onsite (normally) and home only are invited. We had about 50% attendance. We know that 30% cannot access Zoom because of connectivity. To accommodate those families, recordings will be posted with a proof of viewing code, students will have to report.

Paper/ pencil Math Placement tests were given to grades 2-12 as the math diagnostic this year. Next week will begin the reading diagnostic which will be paper/ pencil for K-5 and online for grades 6-12.

Special Report regarding the school plan was filed by the deadline of September 8.*

Teachers: It has a hard push for everyone to get Master Agreements into the curriculum bags which were signed on the spot by about 80%. In the other cases, one of the signing parties was missing and the Master Agreement was sent home with a SAS envelope.

The challenge for teachers was that the new students were not in the system yet and we had to use the old handwritten Master Agreements. Everyone we have paperwork for was in the system by the end of the week.

The three new teachers really stepped up. The high school teachers were able to get full schedules from all their students which allowed for a more complete curriculum package.

A new Work At Home Daily Log and a Weekly Contact Log were initiated. The first is for everyone working at home. The second is only for ECs who are making weekly contact while we are in shelter in place.

EC meetings were planned for being outside when in person meetings were needed. However with the smoke filled air, some have moved inside with additional sanitation. EC meetings in general, should be virtual during this time.

Parents: On the first day of school the first Parent Institute on Routines in Homeschool was held and led by Sara Westbrook. About 20 or so were in attendance plus teachers. Good questions arose and there was some discussion. It was a great start. There are two series that overlap for several sessions. K-4 and 5-8.*

Students: Special support for English Language Learners has been organized, both with curriculum and technology.

In general, there is more interest in spending the \$60 student budget this year. There are lots of requests already.

The Oceanography Show Mini Movie is off to a good start. There are students for all the parts and some want to sing and dance.

Office Staff: Everyone is working to the max with all the duties, especially getting the curriculum into bags. It has been a huge undertaking getting everyone started, and the team is doing an outstanding job.

A Housekeeper was hired and is working on paperwork. The previous hires have not shown up.

Site: There is a watering restriction this year. No lawn watering. The telephone pole and dangerously loose antenna were removed from the Kinder yard by the Golden Rule. The plan is to add a motorized awning to the back porch roof to provide a more protected outdoor classroom space. We have an octopus in the front yard and one in the back yard*

Outreach: The past several ads have been the same with the Focus on Parent Support in Family Life Virtual Magazine.* Ukiah Daily Journal Back to School Section from August 20*

Coming Up Parent Institutes every Monday at 2pm **Next Board Meetings-** October 7, or 14?

Discussion:

1. Review of **Learning Loss Mitigation Funds:** About \$13,000 of the supplemental and concentration funds are coming from the Federal Covid -19 Relief Fund \$6,000 and \$7,000 General Relief Fund for the State. There are specific categories for the funds and there should be stakeholder input and must be approved by September 30. The areas we are proposing for expenditures are:
 - Parent Square, the all in one communication platform
 - For Devices and Connectivity for families to check out.
 - For Student Budgets about \$60 each, Fall trimester, for students who would normally be onsite and don't receive a budget.
 - Social Emotional Curriculum for High School Students
 - Other Curriculum for English Language Learners and will depend on input.
2. Review of Work At Home Policy that was published in the Employee Handbook* and review of the Work At Home Log* and the Weekly Contact Log.
3. Decide about changing Board Meeting dates to potentially the first Wednesday of the month.
4. Other Ongoing Business-

Action Items:

1. Resolution 304
Moved _____ 2nd _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____

Closed Session:

1. Update on Revised Lease Proposal.*
- 2.

In _____ Closed Session Out _____

Report Out Summary of Closed Session:

Time Adjourned _____

*denotes handout