

Regular Meeting of the La Vida Charter School Board of Directors
February 2, 2022, at 6 pm.
La Vida Charter School (The Great Room) (In-Person)
11785 Orchard Lane, Willits, California 95490

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

Board: Kevin Britton____; Cynthia Raiser Jeavons____; Freyja Scott____
Dawn Kalin____; Elaine Silver____
Executive Director: Ann Kelly ____
Business Manager: Mardi Hinton ____
Staff Reps: Marta Wright ____
Observers:

PUBLIC COMMENTS CONCERNING AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:
(3 minutes) Public Comment on Non Agenda items for information only.

CONSENTAGENDA ITEMS:

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be enacted by the Board in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board or staff requests an item's removal. The item will be removed from the motion and will be discussed and considered immediately following the Consent Agenda.

1. Approve Minutes of the December 1, 2021, Meeting of the Board of Directors.
2. Approve Minutes of the December 14, 2021, Special Meeting of the Board of Directors.
3. Approve Agenda for the February 2, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Directors. The January 14 meeting agenda is incorporated into the February 2 agenda. January did not have a quorum so did not take place.

Moved_____ 2nd _____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Shall the Regular Board meeting of March 2, 2022 be in person or virtual?
2. Review of Draft Audit and responses
3. Consider a extension of sick days for employees who are the quarantined based on Covid protocols. The quarantine days are equal to or greater than the number of annual sick days allotted for the year.
4. Brainstorm about greater support for Home Only students.
5. Board Housekeeping
6. Board Training from book The Charter Board University- Kevin Britton leading.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Resolution 323. Shall the regular board meeting for March 2, 2022 be In-person and/or a teleconference (pursuant to AB 361)?

Moved____ 2nd____ Ayes____ Nays____ Abstention _____

2. Resolution 324. Approval of the 2020-21 Audit Report.

Moved____ 2nd____ Ayes____ Nays____ Abstention _____

3. Resolution 325. Approval of the extension of sick days for staff who may not return because of pandemic protocols.

Moved____ 2nd____ Ayes____ Nays____ Abstention _____

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Enrollment: 87 (5 new) are enrolled with 2 more in the process of enrolling.

Financials: P-1 Attendance was filed. ADA is at 78.45 which is 3.25 ADA lower than the budget assumptions. Traditionally P-1 is less than P-2 for La Vida which is the opposite of most schools. It is likely that the 81.70 assumptions goal will be met at P-2.

CALPADS Fall 1 Report was submitted on time and are awaiting the SELPA approval for final certification by February 11. (deadline was extended)

Audit: Review of Draft at this meeting. Robertson and Associates requested at 30day extension.

REAP funds- we may lose some of the past years REAP funds because we were unable to draw them down in time. The issue was the change of address. A request to extend was submitted.

SARC, School Accountability Report Card, was posted on the States site on time. A link is posted on the website. There were a few new items this year. Also because of the pandemic less information is posted on the California School's Dashboard this year. <https://sarconline.org/public/print/23656230112300/2020-2021>

Willits Unified: The End of Year Report* was reviewed by the Willits Board of Trustees. La Vida submitted a list of documents to the Superintendent per our MOU for December 15. They include: the 1st Interim Budgets and Cash flows, List of Student and District of Residence, List of Special Ed Students with Services and Providers, Board of Director Dates for the 2022 year. (Note two dates need alignment with the La Vida Calendar.) It is also time to submit any desired changes to the MOU. None are pending at this time but could be discussed.

Prop 39 Clean Energy Report – have been working on it with the California Energy Commission agent. We still have to file the final report.

Academics: Report Cards and Weekly Check in Report Cards were mailed out.*
 Two Benchmark Project Fairs occurred in person. The numbers were low because of the Covid surge, however some folks just dropped off the projects and some are still coming in. This is one of the items included in the End of Year Portfolio.

Covid situation: One class was quarantined for a week, No illnesses developed. Several staff members have been quite sick and many families have either been exposed or are sick. So far because of the nature of the program, there has not been any cases that needed tracing. A record of cases and exposures is being kept.

Parents are filling out the Health Screening Form on Parent Square before attending onsite classes.

The school received a free order of Personal Protective Equipment, PPE- 3 types of masks, large tubs of wipes and Home Antigen Tests which will be used for staff and board.

Teachers: December 17 was the second paperwork turn for Winter Master Agreements and paperwork through November. Files are being audited. Most made good progress. Grades were due then as well.

Mentor teachers were reassigned with some given more hours to support the new teachers.

December 16 was the end of year Health and Safety Review, peer review of file and staff party. This year we brought in Miss Rossi with her Pour Painting Alchemy which seemed to be a big hit and was both satisfying and relaxing.

Parents: Parent Communication snapshot: 283 Posts, 1848 Direct messages, 5 posts with 109 items requested, 14 forms

	TEXT	APP
EMAIL		
95 (84%) Parents with emails	105 (93%) Parents with phones	46 (41%) Parents with app
92 (81%) Opted to receive emails	20 (18%) Opted to receive texts	35 (31%) Receiving notifications
92 (81%) Receiving emails	19 (17%) Receiving texts	
0 (0%) Failed emails	1 (1%) Failed texts	

Trainings: About 10 staff attended the virtual Alliance for Public Waldorf Winter Conference on Martin Luther King Holiday weekend. It was inspiring and provided practical support as well.

Two are attending the Mental Health First Aid training. The first was on Youth and the

second will be about Adults. The information will be presented to Teachers at TLC meetings and to Parents at Parent Institutes.

The Director attended a training on Cyber Security and A Special Education Academy session on Note Taking.

Teachers are attending some of the MCOE trainings

Students: The Benchmark Projects are a big highlight for January. They are on view for most of February. Students were energized by their accomplishments and were eager to share what they learned. Participation and Excellence Ribbons are being awarded. Pocket calendars were given to all as a token of appreciation and to support organization.

High School Students receive awards for perfect attendance and excellent weekly check ins. 13 eligible for attendance with 7 present and 5 eligible for weekly check ins with 1 in attendance.

On the December Community Thursday students created an Alchemy Rainbow Soup jars for themselves which were donated to the food bank

The Haiti Project Donations were passed to the representative of Hearthstone Village who is shipping them to New York, to be put in barrels and shipped to Haiti.

Special Ed Progress was made on the finalizing of IEPs. 8 out the 11 IEPs were affirmed by December 17. The three remaining have technical glitches that need system support. It was a shared effort between Partners in Special Education and the SELPA Program Specialist and the La Vida Team. Both organizations continue to support the La Vida staff.

13 IEPs and 2 SSTs were held were held in the past two months The Director attended two SELPA Steering Committee Meetings.

We have 10 new speech students which Tiny Eye has hired a new therapist for them. The start date has been pushed back to February 7 because of Non Public Agency licensing protocols. Extra sessions will be offered as make up for missed minutes..

Site: The new phones are mostly installed and in use. The system is a mix of analog lines and Voice over Internet Voip lines.

The big oak tree by the parking lot fell just before we returned. Our picnic tables were crushed.

Coming Up Read-A-Thon for the month of February. **Next Board Meetings-** March 22.

CLOSED SESSION:

Time closed session began _____ **Time ended** _____

Public Announcement of Reasons for Closed Session

1. Informational Update on Anticipated Litigation
(Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2).): Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3)of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (One case)

2. Informational Update on EXISTING LITIGATION
(Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(1).) OAH Case No 2021070162

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY:

ADJOURNMENT

Moved_____ 2nd_____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

Time Adjourned _____

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE - Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

REASONABLE LIMITATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON PUBLIC TESTIMONY - The Governing Board's presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure that the agenda is completed.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH DISABILITY - Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting of the Governing Board may request assistance by contacting La Vida Charter School during normal business hours at as far in advance as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the meeting.

FOR MORE INFORMATION - For more information concerning this agenda or for materials relating to this meeting, please contact Ann Kelly at annk@lavidaschool.org.