

Regular Meeting of the La Vida Charter School Board of Directors

April 6, 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____

Executive Director: Ann Kelly _____

Business Manager: Mardi Hinton _____

Staff Reps: Fawn Bassett_____

Observers:

PUBLIC COMMENTS CONCERNING AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

(3 minutes) Public Comment on Non Agenda items for information only.

CONSENT AGENDA 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 February 17, 2022 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
2. Approve Minutes for the March 2, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Directors.
3. Approve Minutes for the March 14, 2022 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors.
4. Approve Agenda for April 6, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Directors

Moved_____ 2nd _____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

5. Revise the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for May 11 and June 8.

Moved_____ 2nd _____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

6. Shall the Regular Board meeting of April 6, 2022 be in person or virtual?
7. Board Housekeeping: Recap of the Form 700 submission.
8. Revise the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for May 11 and June 8.
9. Board Training from book The Charter Board University- Kevin Britton leading.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Resolution 329. Shall the regular board meeting for May 11, 2022 be In-person and/or a teleconference (pursuant to AB 361)?

APPROVAL OF BOARD FINDINGS RELATING TO TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS DURING STATE OF EMERGENCY

Board findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)

The Charter School Board of Directors determines, in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B), that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), the Board has also reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency declared by the Governor on March 4, 2020, and finds the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the Directors to meet safely in person and/or that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Moved____ 2nd____ Ayes____ Nays____ Abstention _____

2. Resolution 330.

Moved____ 2nd____ Ayes____ Nays____ Abstention _____

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Enrollment: 88 Enrolled. Next month on May 2nd will be the Lottery for new students next year..

Financials: P-2 attendance cut off day for La Vida is Friday, April 8. Our goal is 81.70 ADA. We are ending the year with a tight budget and are mindful about spending.

CALPADS Fall 2 Report and the Civil Rights Report were filed on time.

Audit: Submitted proof to the state regarding the Education Protection Act finding, EPA and are preparing follow up on action steps for the other four findings: Independent Study, Free and Reduced Lunch, two on payroll.

Academics: Wrapping up the Spring MAP Testing cycle this week and start Smarter Balanced Testing next week. Important memo about participation rates was sent out by the state.

Most Winter Term Report Cards have been mailed.

Covid situation: Facial Coverings are no longer required by the California Department of Public Health, CHDP. The revised Covid Safety Plan was sent out through Parent Square and is posted on the website. <http://lavidaschool.org/>

Staff : Big shifts on teaching staff, three teachers (one adjunct) and two classified staff exited and four new hires are going through the employment paperwork and training process for those being replaced.

Exited: Isaac Hillhouse, Alexander Templeton, Annamarie Craig, Lauren Green and Emerald Wilson, each with their own unique reason.

Entering: Laura Weicek as EC for 2nd graders, Erin Berg Elementary Science Teacher, Lisa Walker Special Ed Coordinator, and Wilette Peterman HR and Payroll Secretary.

Actions steps have been taken to introduce the new Learning Log Paperwork with the teachers. School Pathways is working on the final version for the Personal Learning System.

Parents: Several parents have been donating food and items regularly. We are very appreciative of their generosity.

Only one parent attended the Parent Institute this year with guest presenter Virginia Fish, a Waldorf Mentor, on the Creation of a Beautiful Mind.

Students : 10 special awards were given to Elementary Students who read 700 or more minutes in Read-a –thon. Participation ribbons and Readers are Leaders gummy bracelets were also given to all readers.

Alchemy Day and Open House was a a lot of fun for all who attended. About 12 new familes came, mostly Kinders.

Community Thursday with the high school students was also a wonderful day together. They helped clean up the area of debris where the big tree fell. We celebrated Spring in the cultural portion. Half of the eligible students attended, which is a few more than the others this year. The slow return post covid is just starting to occur. One student's art work is on display in the Art Under 20 show currently at the Willits Art Center.

Special Ed: All designated students are receiving Speech Services now. A few potentials need an official meeting to begin. Tiny Eye is holding a monthly touch in meeting with the director to track everything.

Lisa Walker* is beginning as the new Special Ed Coordinator. She is a retired career Occupational Therapist and has headed a couple of agencies. She will be supported by our consultants Partners in Special Education, PSE, and the county Selpa Program Specialist.

Six IEPs were held (one triennial) and all included the discussion of “Is Independent Study appropriate.”

Site: A new shoot the hoop spot was created for the portable basketball hoop that was donated.

Coming up Spring Break, the week of April 11. High School Field Trip to Point Cabrillo Lighthouse on April 28, Next Board Meeting May 11 is the interview with the graduating seniors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

CLOSED SESSION: none planned

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.