

Regular Meeting of the La Vida Charter School Board of Directors

May 11, 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: Jason Hodges_____

Observers:

PUBLIC COMMENTS CONCERNING AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

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

Graduation Candidate Interviews: at 6:30

Interview with prospective graduates: Kaylee Anderson, Claudia Barajas, Tammy Hanover, Azalea Morninglight.

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 your Economics Project.

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 for the April 6, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Directors.
2. Approve Agenda for May 11, 2022 Meeting of the Board of Directors

Moved_____ 2nd _____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

3. Revise the Regular Board Meeting Schedule June 8.

Moved_____ 2nd _____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

4. Shall the Regular Board meeting of June 8, and June 29, 2022 be in person or virtual?
5. Board Housekeeping: Recap of the Form 700 submission.
6. Revise the Regular Board Meeting Schedule for June 8.
7. Status of improvements for the End of May submission to the county and district*
8. Status of Due Process Complaint.
9. Board Training from book The Charter Board University- Kevin Britton leading.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Resolution 330 Shall the regular board meeting for June 8, 2022 be In-person and/or a teleconference (pursuant to AB 361)?
2. Resolution 331 Shall the regular board meeting for June 29, 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 _____

3. Resolution 332

Moved____ 2nd _____ Ayes_____ Nays_____ Abstention _____

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Enrollment: The Enrollment Lottery for next year was held on May 2 with 41 participants. Everyone received a spot in the school with onsite placements to be determined. At the moment the elementary grades are full and there are a few spots in the high school for next year.

Financials: P-2 attendance was 77.79. Our goal was 81.70. There will be fewer salary expenditures that will balance the decrease of revenue.

Insurance: Next meeting should have a decision to make on which insurance company to contract with next year. Our current company voted to discontinue serving charter schools.

Academics: 98% participated in the MAP test. This is the final week of the Smarter Balanced Test. * All but one of the onsite students are taking it. None of the home only students are participating.

Staff : Last week was Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week which was celebrated with little token appreciations, snacks and lunch.

Recruiting for new teachers includes two grades positions 1 & 2, and a 3,4,5. plus one high school position. Areas of expertise needed are special education, Waldorf Education, and science.

Students : The students who are testing are enjoying the free frozen fruit smoothies. The big push now is to get everyone focusing on portfolios.

Special Ed: Held 3 initial IEPs, 2 Triennials and one 504. The new coordinator is receiving a lot of weekly training from our support company Partners' in Special Education and from the SELPA Program specialist.

The director meets monthly with Tiny Eye to oversee the Speech and OT services. The new Talk Therapy is being brought in now 3 hours per week.

Covid situation: The County Superintendent hosted a meeting with all of the school leaders and the Public Health Officer. The requirement of testing and vaccinations is reducing. However there is a desire from the CHDP to test the under 5 students on campus when the vaccine is FDA approved in June. Districts and schools stated that parents would prefer to work privately with their physicians rather than have the vaccination occur at school.

Masking was strongly encouraged but not required for with the increase of Covid cases. Mendocino County has a 73% Vaccination rate, one of the highest in the county. The largest unvaxed groups are children.

Coming up Games Day and 8th Grade Graduation May 24, Senior Graduation June 2, Last Day of School June 6, Next Board Meeting June 8.

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.