

**Regular Meeting of the La Vida Charter School Board of Directors**  
**March 6, 2024, at 6 pm. (In-Person)**  
La Vida Charter School Great Room  
11785 Orchard Lane, Willits, California 95490

**Agenda**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**Board:** Cynthia Raiser Jeavons\_\_\_\_; Dawn Kalin\_\_\_\_ Nicole Jones Ferriera\_\_\_\_

**Executive Director:** Ann Kelly\_\_\_\_\_

**Business Manager:** Yariela Perez \_\_\_\_\_

**Staff Reps:** Fawn Bassett\_\_\_\_\_

**Observers:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM'S AND NON AGENDA ITEMS.**

The Board asks the comments be limited to three minutes and will be considered as information with no action taken.

**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 February 7, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.
2. Approve Agenda for March 6, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Moved\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Ayes\_\_\_\_\_ Nays\_\_\_\_\_ Abstention\_\_\_\_\_

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- 1 Review and approve of the 2022-23 Audits Report: Also review the lease amortization which is a new report this year.
- 2 Review and discuss the Mid-Year LCAP Report
- 3 Review and approve draft 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Budget and Cash Flows.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Resolution 374: Approve the 2022-2023 Audit Report.  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Abstention \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution 375: Approve draft 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Budget and Cash Flows for the 2023-24 year.  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Abstention \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution 376:  
Moved \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Abstention \_\_\_\_\_

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** May be expanded at the meeting.

**Enrollment:** 76, It has been a busy mid-year season with interest in enrollment. Several changed their minds and decided to stay where they were. We would like to add two more in the next week and that will be the total for the year.

**Financials:** Review of Board Account. \* Focus on reviewing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Budget\*

**Audit:** The 2022-23 audit was finished and filed two weeks before the extended deadline of March 15<sup>th</sup>. This ends the three year contract with Robertson and Associates who were pleasant to work with and this year's process went smoothly. Contracted with a new firm for the next three years. Chavan and Associates LLP, CPA's in Morgan Hill California. Cost for this year is \$1500 more than last year and then increases by two thousand dollars each year. This will be a virtual audit, to save \$5K of travel costs.\*

**Willits Unified:** Have met with the Superintendent twice briefly to provide updates on the audit process. Coming up may be an adjustment in the MOU about the flow of special ed funds. This year Mental Health funds are coming directly to charter schools., about \$5,000 for La Vida.

**Academics:** Focus is on setting up and having an excellent participation rate in the MAP test through April 4. Winter Trimester ended March 1<sup>st</sup> and Spring Trimester Began on Monday March 4<sup>th</sup>. Changes in the onsite classes include: Robotify will move to Friday only and be replaced with Renaissance Jobs for six weeks and then Puppetry for three weeks. High School College and Career class will replace PE and the Native American Studies class will be publishing the memoirs of a local old timer Ray Shultz regarding the local Pomo people.

**Teachers:** Intent to return forms were submitted and all teachers are returning. The annual February Mid-Year Check Ins happened paperwork week with all the ECs.

**Training:** Paperwork Week was a big training week. Wednesday Selva Behaviorist Micheala Figini- Meyers and Program Specialist Ryan Weidaw, presented Positive Behavior Supports in the Classroom to the full faculty and staff as well. Thursday, Waldorf leader, Rebecca Higgs from Massachusetts presented Sensory Based Classroom

Management to the same group. Teachers were able to ask about specific challenges they are facing. Follow up with faculty takeaways occurred at two staff meetings. Also -Two each attended Eugene Schwartz's Waldorf in 3D (future) and Through the Glass Darkly (AI) Both very thought provoking. At the End of Waldorf in 3D he highlights and affirms La Vida as a school of the future.\* (sound bite)

**Staff:** Bilingual Class Room Aid and Office Assistant and Housekeeper, Estie Hernandez, gave one week notice to prepare for her maternity time. Students and staff did a small honoring and farewell.

Job Recruitment has been positive.

**Students:** Read-A-Thon is finished and the reading logs are being tallied. We are looking forward to an awards assembly next week.\* Middle school student set reading lexile goals for themselves for the MAP test.

**Special Ed:** 5 IEPs were held, and one 504.

**Site:** Work is beginning to overall the wood chips in the playground area. The Golden Rule is lending the backhoe at no charge. The project entails removing old wood chips and weeds and reshaping the area, new ground cloth and 9 inches of playground rated woodchips.

**Coming up:** Next Board Meeting April 10. March is MAP Testing Month.  
**Open House March 19 at 1:30 -2:30**, with Egg Hunt and other activities.  
Community Thursday March 21<sup>st</sup>. Spring Break 3-25 to 4-1.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**

**CLOSED SESSION: 7:30pm Time in\_\_\_\_\_ Time Out\_\_\_\_\_**

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—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) with the Education Audit Appeals Panel.

**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](mailto:annk@lavidaschool.org).

- denotes handout or digital packet.

**Report out of Closed Session:**

**Adjourn the Meeting at** \_\_\_\_\_

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Ayes \_\_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_\_ Abstention \_\_\_\_\_