

**Regular Meeting of the La Vida Charter School Board of Directors**  
**November 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\_\_\_\_; Nicole Jones Ferriera \_\_\_\_  
Dawn Kalin\_\_\_\_ Tim Cooper \_\_\_\_  
**Executive Director:** Ann Kelly \_\_\_\_  
**Business Manager:** Chris Russell \_\_\_\_  
**Staff Reps:** na Jason Hodges \_\_\_\_  
**Observers:** Guest Lorn

**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 October 2, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.
2. Approve Agenda for November 6, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Review and Approve the Unaudited Actuals Report for 2023-24 which closes the financials For last year.
3. Discuss possible strategies and cuts to the first interim budget to accommodate low enrollment.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Resolution 386 Approve the Unaudited Actuals Report for 2023-24.

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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** A showing of the Orientation power point and photos of the Wild dye plant day if there is time.

**Enrollment:** 63 with openings in K-8 Home only.and a few openings in 9-12.

**Financials** - Chris Russell, Business Manager worked closely with the MCOE Business office to close the financials for 2023-24.

State LEA Audits- Much activity with the state, making adjustments to the P-2 Attendance to accommodate the financial determination and making arrangements For the payback which will be either 6 or 7 years. Funds will come out of the First Principle Apportionment that adjusts after P-1 this school year.

Audit: This week is the focused audit with the new auditors Chavin and Associates, which is a paperless audit, the first time for us. So far everything requested has been Provided.

New Contractor for CALPADS and PADC (Attendance for the state principal apportionments)- The team has begun working with edMajic\* for the Fall 1 CALPADS report due in December.

**Academics:** The Fall Session of MAP testing is almost complete. Student test results for the Smarter Balanced Test were mailed out. Benchmark Project packets are being distributed with discussions at EC Meetings.

Math and Reading Intervention are happening regularly for most of the students who are required to take it.

**Staff:** One EC / Teaching position is still open from the resignation of the Kinder-1 teacher. So far the numbers have not warranted the hiring. However a new K-1 Specialty Teacher, Michaela Wegesser\*, has been hired to do special gathering days twice a month. She has a preliminary credential and could function as an EC if necessary. She has offered two opportunities to the families so far, and there was virtually no attendance.

Rhonda Reed Registrar was released and the staff had a little farewell gathering for her. Her position was eliminated as part of the cost cutting measures. edMajic will handle the state reports and several staff members will absorb pieces of the job with no additional hours. Dory Hasselswerdt will take on the most on site with regards to student data. She has received the first training from the Student Information System, School Pathways. Former La Vida employee who is now the MCOE Data Control Lead, has

Offered to help with the SEIS- CALPADS duties during the transition. She will also Train La Vida staff members as necessary.

Teachers are reviewing the Core Principles of Waldorf Education by Eugene Schwartz For the Teacher Learning Communities, TLCs.

**Students and Parents:** It has been a wonderful fall for community building this year with the addition of the Specialty Intensives. After the Peace Day Ice Cream Social there was a pleasant pumpkin patch field trip that was very well attended by the home only students. The Scarecrow City entry of the Down the Rabbit Hole Scarecrow was an excellent collaborative activity and some students were able to contribute their strengths. The Wild Harvest Plant Dye Intensive\* had everyone smiling for a couple of days. Astronomy and Hummingbird Robotics intensives kept the hands on learning and good Vibes going. Lots of great learning happened at the Taylor Observatory Field trip for 6-12<sup>th</sup> grades and had a great turn out. The Elven Enchanted Forest Halloween Party Was lovely and the parents stepped up with amazing seasonal picturesque snacks that Were quite impressive. It was the best ever clean up that happened in less than a half Hour. School Pictures had a social celebratory feel as well.

**Special Ed:** There are 11 students with IEPs and 3 with 504's so far this year. Eight IEPs have been held and 2 504 meetings. Two of the IEPs were interim 30 day placements.

Three high school students will be working with the TPP Transition Program and Workability.

Tiny Eye Therapy Services is providing Speech, Occupational Therapy, Social Work and Counseling. So far there has been 80% attendance which is their goal.

MCOE is providing an in person Mental Health Clinician for one student. They are also providing a nurse.

**Website:** Still under construction after the hack in the Spring. Some items did not get reposted and are in process.

**Outreach-** See the article about the Wild Harvest Plant Dye Intensive in Willits Weekly

**Coming up:** Next Board Meeting December 4 at 6pm Drumming Intensive on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Seabiscuit Digital Stories Intensive Dec 4, 5, 11 & 12.

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

**CLOSED SESSION: Time in** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time Out** \_\_\_\_\_

**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.

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**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.

**Adjourn Time** \_\_\_\_\_

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