



School Board Meeting Minutes Monday, October 25, 2021 at 6:00pm DaVinci Academy

1. Call to order @6:08pm

2. Roll Call

Present	Board Members
0	Melanie Persellin - President
0	Ojonimi Ocholi- Vice President
x	Idara Uko-Treasurer
0	Lenny Ulloa Silva-Secretary
x	Todd Paulson
0	Katharine Borg
0	Dan Rhinhart
0	Emily Uhl
0	Samantha Bickford

Guests
Ahava Silkey-Jones – Ex-Officio Member
Holly Fischer
Julie Kresh
Emma Fisher
Cindy Gordas
John Gordas
Anna Hansmann

3. Reading of Mission Statement and Real Life Examples 1 minute

DaVinci Academy of Arts and Science will awaken a passion for learning through an enriched and individualized approach to education. Students, parents and teachers will work together to ensure positive character development and build a strong foundation for higher education.

4. Community Comment 10 minutes

Community Comment is the only open forum portion of tonight’s meeting, and is an opportunity to present an issue or concern to the Board of Directors. There is a maximum of ten minutes set aside for Community Comment. Each presentation should be limited to no more than two minutes. If your item needs follow-up from the board and/or staff or will require research etc., a decision may not be made during tonight’s meeting. Thank you for coming.

5. Adoption of Agenda and Addendums 2 minutes

- Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Nimi, seconded by Katie, it passed unanimously.

6. Consent Agenda 5 minutes

6.1. DONATIONS

Unrestricted donations: available for viewing in the office

Restricted donations: DVA received a donation from Artists del Norte in the amount of \$1,088.88 for the Art Department. Thank you!

6.2. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 27, 2021 Board meeting minutes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the September 27 board meeting by Dan, seconded by Katie, it passed unanimously.

7. Discussion – Administration Updates – Ahava Silkey-Jones 30 minutes

Covid-19 protocols, operations, academics, enrollment, staffing, events, etc.



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- Gift from an arts organization that was given after meeting the administration team during the summer.
- Crosscountry was awesome, volleyball and basketball are already happening and also going well.
- Students from the student Council went to Feed my Starving Children.
- Battle of the book is also coming.
- We are working on how to collect data when it comes to attendance and how it varies based on families wanting to quarantine vs. families asked to quarantine.
- Policy considered about leave of absence.
- Tutoring pilot program is on its way; families have been identified and are working on schedules.
- Video marketing to recruit students - idea. We have a full 7th grade class but we have spots opened in 6th grade which will mean next year's 7th grade will be incomplete and we will have to recruit for that grade.

8. Academic Update- Not scheduled for October Board meeting.

9. Committee Updates and Review/Approve Committee Minutes 60 minutes

COMMITTEE

MEETING DATE

9.1 Finance Committee & Treasurer's Update:

October 20, 2021

- review monthly financial report
- Kathy Miller Report (via Zoom)

- Computer fund given by the government was approved and we are now applying again for another round of new computers for students.
- Kathy is working with the HR committee to make a salary grid.

9.2 HR/Compensation Committee:

September 28, 2021

- Working on Executive Director evaluation rubric
- Possible evaluation from staff to supervisors (with the aim of having a 360 degree evaluation).

9.3 School Development Committee:

October 13, 2021

Update on the Color Run and upcoming fundraising activities.

- Winter Fundraiser
 - Pizza and Cookie Dough
 - Selling Dates Nov. 1st -17th
 - Delivery Date Dec. 1st
- Spring Fundraiser
 - Butter Braids
 - Selling Dates March 1st - 21st
 - Delivery Date April 5th
- End of Year Fundraiser
 - Dollars for DaVinci
 - Tentative Dates April 23rd- May 6th
 - Golf Tournament- Topgolf Thursday or Sunday in June (tentative date)

9.4 Policy Committee:

Not held



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9.5 Covid-19 Task Force

September 30, October 7, 14, 2021

- No Q&A session was held due to lack of questions.
- What is the focus of the committee: mitigate the spread of COVID and/or keep the students in school.
- More talks will be had about the “test to stay” program. There was a program done in MA

10. Old Business

10.1 Board Operations Update Ocholi 10 minutes

Plan Winter off-site Retreat for December-weekend meeting (8 hours): Call for Agenda Items for Off-site

Jim Eichten will provide review of the Audit at the November Board meeting.

Review of the Three Year Strategic Plan 2020-2023

Refocus on Academic and Strategic Plan Focus Items.

- Send a form to board members to pick a day for the meeting.
- The board minutes reflect that the board has reviewed the strategic plan 2019-2023.

11. New Business – Discussion/Action items

11.1 Commence Election Process for Seats, February, 2022 Persellin 90 minutes

Review Bylaws and develop a schedule for the election process and review and update election materials. Board to review document: *Board Election Management Tool 2022*. Term for Seats D, E, and H come up in February, 2022. Current Seat holders are Emily Uhl (Seat D), Ojonimi Ocholi (Seat E) and Todd Paulson (Seat H).

- Draft given to the board

11.2 Meeting Assessment and Closing Thoughts President 2 minutes

Did we spend our time effectively today? What could we do better?
What do we, as a board, need to be focusing on for the next meeting?

- Send training info to new members

12. Adjourn Meeting

Estimated end time:

9:30 pm

Motion to adjourn by Nimi, seconded by Samantha, it passed unanimously.