

# THE VILLAGES CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. BOARD MEETING

**February 26, 2015**

The Board of Directors of THE VILLAGES CHARTER SCHOOL, INC. ("Corporation") met at the following time, date and place:

Time: 4:00 p.m.  
Date: February 26, 2015  
Place: Conference Room  
Technology Solutions Group  
1026 Canal Street  
The Villages, Florida 32162

The following Directors were present at the meeting:

Dale Borrowman  
Gary Lester  
John Wise

Others in attendance were:

Barb Castro  
Peggy Irwin  
Steve Johnson  
Randy McDaniel  
Gina Ritch  
Katia Simmons  
LeAnne Yerk  
Bill Zwick

Dr. Lester called the meeting of The Villages Charter School, Inc. to order at 4:00 p.m. on February 26, 2015. Dr. Lester announced a quorum of the Directors was present and that the meeting could proceed.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

Dr. Lester presented the minutes of the January 29, 2015 and **UPON A MOTION** made by Mr. Borrowman and seconded by Mr. Wise and the unanimous consent of all Board members present, the Board approved the minutes of the January 29, 2015 meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**STUDENT DISMISSAL APPEAL:** A VHS student appeared in front of the Board accompanied by a parent, requesting to appeal decision for dismissal from VHS. The board listened to the parents request for a chance to have student remain enrolled with a warning but the Board and the VHS administration explained why they stand in their decision to recommend dismissal.

## **INFORMATION REPORTS**

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** There was \$3,173,706 in contributions made to the charter school in the month of January. The Consolidated Statement of Revenue and Expenses shows a net income for the month of \$3,662,495 and a year-to-date net income of \$934,063 at January 31, 2015.

Donations/Miscellaneous Revenue:

There were no significant donations received in January by the charter school.

Athletics:

The Villages made no contributions to Athletics for the month of January. The Athletics Dept. had a net loss of (\$30,252) for the month of January and a year-to-date net income \$145,326 (excluding coaching supplements) at January 31, 2015.

Consolidated Entity/Entire Charter School:

At January 31, 2015, the total expenditures for the charter school as a whole were under budget by 6.6%; therefore reducing the amount of Villages contributions needed.

**ENROLLMENT UPDATE:** Mrs. Hinckley informed that we are holding steady. Projections for next year have been submitted to Sumter County. The High School took a little drop but nothing to be concerned about.

**FACILITIES UPDATE:** Dr. McDaniel reported that there is a lot going on around campus, however all of the projects are well underway. One of the most noticeable projects is the football stadium which is incurring major changes.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**ENROLLMENT POLICY UPDATE:** Dr. McDaniel presented revisions to the enrollment policy that was approved in January, specifically to the new category 4, and category 3.

**UPON A MOTION** by Mr. Borrowman and seconded by Mr. Wise and with the unanimous consent of all Board members present, the revised Board approved the Enrollment & Eligibility Policy as presented.

**FUNDRAISING POLICY:** The VCS Fundraising & Business Sponsorship Policy was last updated in May, 2008. A team of school stakeholders met to update the policy and make sure everyone understand the overarching goals of fundraising at VCS.

**UPON A MOTION** by Mr. Borrowman and seconded by Mr. Wise and with the unanimous consent of all Board members present, the Board approved the updated VCS Fundraising & Business Sponsorship Policy.

**NEW 2015-2016 SCHOOL CALENDAR:** Dr. McDaniel presented the new 2015-2016 School calendar for Board approval. Every year we contact the Florida Department of Education and they confirm that as a charter school we can deviate from the County's calendar and we are exempt from the state statute regarding the start date. Once approved by the board we will submit this to the Sumter County School Board for approval. We will request a waiver to allow us to vary from the county calendar—as we have in the past.

**UPON A MOTION** by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Borrowman and with the unanimous consent of all Board members present, the Board approved the 2015-2016 School Calendar.

**FACILITY USAGE AGREEMENT:** Many regular activities have requested use of VCS facilities. These programs are typically coached by our VCS coaches and include only VCS student-athletes. In this instance we have facilities requests form, calendar and corresponding certificates of liability from the following group:

- Buffalo Stampede AAU Girls Basketball – Activity Leader: Cheri Bevis

**UPON A MOTION** by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Borrowman and with the unanimous consent of all Board members present, the Board approved the Facilities Usage Agreement.

**BUDGET PHILOSOPHY & TIMELINE:** Mrs. Gina Ritch informed the Board that school administrators and members of the VCS leadership team will be working together as in previous years to develop a building / department-based budget. She presented the 2015-2016 Philosophy and the Timeline from April to June on Budget planning.

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

**HUMAN RESOURCES TRANSACTIONS:** Dr. Lester confirmed everyone had reviewed the personnel transaction report. Mr. Borrowman pointed out there was one employee missing first name. (Correction: Jeanine Wertenberger)

**UPON A MOTION** by Mr. Borrowman and seconded by Mr. Wise and with the unanimous consent of all Board members present, the Board approved the proposed personnel transactions.

### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

**NONE**

### **BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT**

Counsel Steve Johnsons reported on the FHSA investigation. The final report has been received and the investigation resulted in no fines.

### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

**NONE**

Dr. Lester opened the meeting for public input. Hearing no public input, **UPON A MOTION** by Mr. Wise and seconded by Mr. Borrowman the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectively submitted,  
Katia Simmons