



June 17, 2020 Minutes

Meeting Agenda

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Physical Location: Phone only due to Coronavirus

Virtual Meeting:

Conference line 712-770-5505, access code 462-901

Mission Statement:

VERITAS Community School empowers the scholar and athlete in every child to excel academically through health and wellness practices within a peaceful environment.

Conflict of Interest Statement:

Each member of the VERITAS Board of Directors has a fiduciary duty to conduct him or herself without conflict of the interests of VERITAS Community School. Each member has agreed in writing to comply fully with VERITAS' Conflict of Interest and Nepotism Policy.

Board Roster and Attendance

- Board Members:
 - i. Ed Ritter, Vice Chair (acting as chair) eritter@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - ii. Gretchen Bottrill, Treasurer gbottrill@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - iii. Lindsay Betzel, Secretary lbetzel@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - iv. Lee Teague, TeamCFA rep. lteague@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - v. Jaime Daniell jdaniell@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - vi. Cat Choudary cchoudary@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - vii. Mimi Siadek msiadek@board.veritascommunityschool.org
 - viii. Erika Bowen ebowen@board.veritascommunityschool.org

- Ex-Officio Members:
 - i. Michael Silver msilver@veritascommunityschool.org

- Board Advisors and Invited Guests:
 - i. Mark Chudzicki mchudzicki@veritascommunityschool.org
 - ii. Dottie Bryan

- Call to Order—Reading of the VERITAS Mission

Ed Ritter

- Public Comments
 - None
- Jamie moves that we approve the minutes from April and May, Mimi seconded the motion, all approved
- Farewell to Dr. Scott, Mark Chudzicki and Lee Teague, who are attending their last board meeting. Welcome to Dottie Bryan and introduction to the board, as replacement for Lee Teague as representative from Challenge Foundation.
- Lee motions for Dottie to join the board, Lindsay seconds, all approve
- Marketing Update Jamie Daniell
 - New flyers ready to go
 - New website should be up and running before start of school
- Financial Updates Gretchen Bottrill
 - Loan forgiveness - CFA has forgiven original \$300,000 loan to start the school by converting this to a grant
 - Erika motions to approve changes to the 2019-20 budget, Gretchen seconds, all approve
 - 2020-21 budget proposal has been provided to the board, with assumptions for revenues staying level with 2019-20, 20 day ADM staying at 124, drawing on the CFA line of credit and \$75k in fundraising. Also assumes hiring freeze until we get further on into the summer to see how enrollment and fundraising look.
 - Mimi motions to approve the budget, Cat seconds, all approve
- Head of School Report Michael Silver
 - COVID funds being provided for summer interventions (“Jumpstart” program), which will be revenue neutral.
 - Teachers provided list of repairs for classrooms over the summer
 - Calendar needs to be modified to include remote learnings days
 - i. Gretchen motions to approve changes to the calendar, Mimi seconds, all approve

- Michael has been working on updating the parent student handbook, code of conduct and classroom observation tool. These will be provided to the board for review in early July.
 - Enrollment going well, some teachers involved in reaching out to new families, reaching out to Bethlehem Center families as well
 - COVID prevention plan is ready to share with families
 - Middle school planning continuing
- Board of Directors:
 - Ed motions to enter closed session to discuss personnel contracts, Mimi seconds, all approve
 - Gretchen motions to exit closed session, Mimi seconds, all approve
 - Mimi motions to accept the contract for Kara Eldimadi, Gretchen seconds, all approve

Lee motions to close the meeting, Mimi seconds.

Future Meetings:

Not yet scheduled