



THE VALLEY SCHOOL OF SOUTHERN OREGON

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Regular Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2021 @ 5:30 P.M.

**at The Valley School, 857 Valley View Drive, Medford 97504
and also by Zoom**

DIRECTORS: Kathy McCullough, Rainy Tilton, Christian Gold-Stagg, Stacie Westbrook, Jeff Lynn, Kaitie Warner

Absent: Christian Gold-Stagg

STAFF: Jeanetta Woodside

GUEST: Mr Jared, parents, students

MISSION OF THE BOARD: *Provide direction and leadership for The Valley School by shaping the vision, mission and goals, by developing a series of policies and frameworks for how the school runs, by establishing good working relationships with the director, staff and community, and by supervising and protecting the fiscal interest of the school to assure that our mission is sustainable.*

Valley School Mission: *The Valley School changes middle schoolers' lives by fostering a culture of curiosity, creativity and community.*

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM

Kathy McCullough, Rainy Tilton, Stacie Westbrook, Jeff Lynn, Kaitie Warner

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion made by Kathy McCullough and seconded by Rainy Tilton to accept agenda. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Student Presentation, Gym Proposals – Students like to be involved and when they heard about a possible gym wanted to be involved. We have three of the four proposals in person today. First – Roxy Ann Gym would be a gym/cafeteria combination. Fundraisers would include a car wash, March madness brackets, etc. A timeline and endorsements were shared. Second – Valley School Gym would be a gym/cafeteria combination at 4,200 square feet. They shared donation letters and material lists. Fundraising would include going door to door. Any extra money could be used for go carts! Cost would be \$240k. Third – Viper Gym would also include locker rooms and take 6 weeks to build. Materials, construction and equipment lists were shared. Cost would be \$404k. Fourth – hope to have a presentation at a later date. THANK YOU STUDENTS!

2. October Financial Review – Checking account balance is \$176,318, savings account balance is \$360,513 and PTO account balance is \$6,504. Our net income is over budget \$10,000 for the month and over budget \$25,800 for the year. Check numbers for the month are 4761 – 4805. Student count used is 114, but we are now at 120. The funding will be trued up in April or May.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes October 11, 2021 – Motion to accept the minutes as presented by Rainy Tilton and seconded by Stacie Westbook. Motion passed.
2. Policies second read through – AC & AC-AR Nondiscrimination and Discrimination Complaint Procedure, JB – Equal Education Opportunity, IL – Assessment Program, will share with teachers, BBAA – Individual Board Member Authority & Responsibility, GBA – Equal Employment Opportunity. Motion made to accept made by Rainy Tilton and seconded by Kathy McCullough. Motion passed. First read through for ACB R G1 – Bias Incident Complaint Procedure, ACB G1 – Every Student Belongs – okay for second read through.
3. Security – need for cameras and locks for the gates. Have a quote of \$2,500 from Detect-All. Will get quotes from other vendors and report back. Cory, Matt King, Rogue Camera Guys, SOS Alarm. Will look at a special zoom meeting once quotes are received.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The Halloween dance at the Grange had about 80 students participating. It went very well and was so fun. We are seeing some behavior issues regarding language and graffiti. Masks may be contributing, Exploratories seen to be a problem. Students seeing it as social time, fun classes and not the same discipline as core classes. Possibly have core teachers in the rooms is a solution. The students are recognizing there is a problem. The counselor is on leave to get her clinical hours in. Using Rogue Valley Mentoring. Erin will make herself available to the students. The last 2 years have been difficult. The Steering Committee has met once. A survey has gone to staff, parents and students. The goal is to figure out where we want to go from here. The next meeting is November 15, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Basketball and other after school programs such as Dungeons & Dragons and others going well. Jeanetta is in contact with someone in administration in a school in California to audit our programs and how it works. No teachers are Montessori trained. It will be beneficial to have someone come in a see what we need. This administrator has both public, private and Montessori background.

Kathy McCullough mentioned seeing a bus at Crater Lake Ford that might work for Valley School. Jeanetta will have it checked out.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Next meeting will be December 13th, 2021 at 5:30 pm.