



THE VALLEY SCHOOL OF SOUTHERN OREGON

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Regular Meeting Minutes

October 11, 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

Absent: none

STAFF: Jeanetta Woodside

GUEST: Katie Warner

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, Christian Gold-Stagg, Stacie Westbrook, Jeff Lynn

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Steering Committee for School Improvement Plan (SIP) – need to have a committee and hope to have some of our board members on the committee. It needs to be submitted to MSD. We also need to work on the Strategic Plan.
2. Mandatory Vaccinations & Exceptions – October 18th is the deadline for teachers, staff, volunteers and contractors. Need medical or religious exceptions if not vaccinated. The Executive Director makes the decision to accept or not. Most issues currently are with the Exploratory staff and volunteers.

3. September Financial Review – Checking account balance is \$181,638, savings account balance is \$360,468 and PTO account balance is \$6,484. Our net income is under budget \$1,600 for the month and over budget \$15,000 for the year. Check numbers for the month are 4720 – 4763.
4. Leightman Maxey Grant – We've received this grant of \$8,000 and it will be used for the culinary café.
5. Prospective Family Night – to be held October 21st at 6 pm. It will be in person. We'll share it with a flyer and as a Facebook event. Maybe have a video of the kids sharing the projects they are working on and see if we can get information into the MSD schools.
6. Mandatory Reporting Training – board members need to complete this by the end of October.
7. At A Glance – the report is put out by the Oregon Department of Education. It shares the demographics of the school and where students stand in English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science. The report can be viewed on the Oregon Department of Education website.
8. Additional Executive Director information – Fall in the Field was beneficial. Holding it after school had already started showed how important it is to have it at the beginning of the year. The first day was mentoring, the second day they went to the camp on 140 and were involved in several activities and the third day the 8th graders led the class. Jared and Autumn did a great job of leading the event. Thank you to them.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes September 13, 2021 – Motion to accept the minutes as presented by Rainy Tilton and seconded by Kathy McCullough. Motion passed.
2. New Board Position and Member – Motion to accept Christian Gold-Staff as treasurer of the board by Rainy Tilton and seconded by Kathy McCullough. Motion passed. Motion to accept Katie Warner as our new board member made by Kathy McCullough and seconded by Christian Gold-Staff. Motion passed. This is a 2 year position.
3. Policies first 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. All are okay for our second read through next month.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Next meeting will be November 8th, 2021 at 5:30 pm.