



The Valley School of Southern Oregon
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Agenda

Time and Location: January 4th
Zoom 3524022322 5:30 pm

Board members: Alan Jackson, Heather Olivier, Rainy Tilton, Christian Gold-Stagg, Stacie Westbrook

STAFF: Jeanetta Woodside - Executive Director

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.*

MISSION OF THE VALLEY SCHOOL: *The Valley School changes middle schoolers' lives by fostering a culture of curiosity, creativity, and community.*

CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISH QUORUM

ADOPTION OF AGENDA ~ Alan makes the motion to approve the agenda. Rainy seconds the approval. Agenda adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, any person may comment on any item that is not on the agenda that is within the jurisdiction of the board. Please voluntarily state your name for the record. Action will not be taken on any item that is not on the agenda. Items requiring action will be referred to staff and/or placed on a future agenda. Please limit comments to no more than three minutes. Comments on items that are on the agenda will be heard when the agenda item is taken up by the board.

We had a large turn out of parents wanting to share their concerns and hopes for school reopening. Heather explains the guidelines for public comment.

Speakers ~ Brian and Jill Hall, Cyndi Cannon, Sunni West, Cecilia Jacob, Julie Brooksby, Ashley and Spencer Burnham, Wendi Gephardt, Emily Burneson, Anet, Anne Cropper, Ethan Clark, and Christy Clark.

Work Session

1. Contract Renewal

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes from 12.14.2020

Alan makes a motion, Rainy 2nds...approved.

2. Contract Renewal ~ Jeanetta will put together the verbage and the board will vote on it at the next meeting.

- a. Transportation

~TVS would like a commitment that the district will provide transportation as it was pre-covid or request an increase in ADM to help cover TVS expenses.

- b. Guaranteed space for advanced math students
- c. Request the right to negotiate at anytime

~ Heather requests we start looking beyond the current Covid climate and into the future plan and to start having this discussion with the district.

3. Policy Update

- a. Review JCC-Enrollment
 - i. Defining Sibling

~ Discussion on the clarification of the term 'sibling'

~ Alan is concerned about making it too locked down/defined and would like to make it an attempt....'the intent of the Valley School to.."

~ The definition is not as important as the intent.

~ ...at the discretion of TVS...overseen by the director and not the board

- ii. 8th graders will not be admitted after the start of the school year

~ Alan- this is more procedural not policy.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Executive Director Report

~ Governor Brown's recent announcement.

~ meeting with the blueprint committee

*How can we get teachers to feel safe to return to school

*Space

*What other schools have done to open

*Schedule...number of students per day

~ January 18th new information will be updated by the state...District should announce on the 19th

~ goes over survey results

~ ODE meeting...questions about schools opening outside of the metrics and whether this opens them up to liability. Does this open the board to liability should we make the decision to open during the extreme covid metric? Clarification is needed as to the board's responsibility and liability.

2. Executive Director Evaluation Goals

*to learn 2 new digital platforms

*pedagogical- Montessori Method development for staff

*Community-increase and implement plan for equity/diversity

*Policy- Ensure policies are current and congruent in the student/parent handbook as well as the staff handbook

*Create an Equity and Diversity Committee

ADJOURNMENT: 7:20

Next meeting: January 19th, 2021

3.1.2021

3.15.2021

4.5.2021-Mid year goal check-in

4.19.2021

5.3.2021

5.17.2021

6.7.2021

6.21.2021