

# **TVCS Board Meeting Minutes**

October 19, 2017

Working Session: 6:00 pm Regular Session 7:00 pm Executive Session 8:00 pm

## Location: 1747 Fairmeadow Dr, Boise, Idaho 83704

| <b>Present:</b> (voting members in bold) |   |                                       |   |   |   |  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Ben Greenwood (Chair)                    |   | Tony Richard-Administrator            | Х | Other/Staff Attendees:                            |   |  |
| Rachael Smith (Vice-Chair)               |   | Lori Manning – Executive Director     | Х | Chris Yorgason                                    | Х |  |
| Jake Hays (Secretary)                    |   | Pat Griffin – Vice Principal          | Х | Kim Black – Board Clerk                           | Х |  |
| Andrea Estes                             |   | Robert Mason – IT/Testing Coordinator | X | Jennifer Owen-Tillotson -<br>Enrollment/Marketing | х |  |
| Brad Wright                              | Χ | Lisa Thompson – Business Manager      | Х |   |   |  |
| Adrian Castaneda                         | Х |                                       |   |   |   |  |

### **Our Vision**

The Village Charter School community inspires students to cultivate their individual gifts and abilities, equipping them to discover meaningful value and purpose in the world.

### **Our Mission**

Cultivating Critical Thinkers, Developing Strong Leaders

The Village Charter School provides a challenging, hands-on curriculum to cultivate students to be critical thinkers and confident leaders in a safe, supportive and loving environment. Our Village includes passionate, innovative and encouraging teachers, administrators, parents and community members all working together to support our students.

| 6:00 pm  | Working Session                                | Presenter        | Presentation | Issues/Planned<br>Action |  |  |
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| 6:10 pm  | Board Member Training All All                  |                  |              | None                     |  |  |
| Working session was called to order with all board members present with the exception of Trustee Smith.<br>Working session was adjourned at 6:55 pm. |  |                  |              |                          |  |  |
| 7:00 pm  | Regular Session                                | Presenter        | Presentation | Issues/Planned<br>Action |  |  |
| 7:02 pm  | Call Meeting to Order, Roll Call<br>and Pledge | Ben<br>Greenwood | N/A          | N/A                      |  |  |

Trustee Greenwood called the meeting to order, roll call was taken and all board members were present with the exception of Trustee Smith. Trustee Castaneda read the vision statement; Trustee Wright read the mission statement and all presented recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

| 7:06 pm   | Consent Agenda - September<br>Minutes Payroll/AP WebReport   | All                | Review                   | Approve                   |  |
|---|--|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Trustee hays were in favo   | s made a motion to approve the con r.  | sent agenda, Trus  | stee Castaneda sec       | onded the motion and all  |  |
| 7:09 pm   | Board Office Elections   | Ben<br>Greenwood   | N/A                      | Action                    |  |
| It was decided to table this agenda item to next month as not all board members were present. |  |                    |                          |                           |  |
| 7:09 pm   | PTO Report   | Amber Earl         | Review                   | Approve                   |  |
| that had bee  | discussed the upcoming Barnes & N<br>en enjoyed by all present and the su<br>thanked Amber Earl and the PTO fo | ccess of the recer | nt t-shirt drive with 24 | 42 items ordered. Trustee |  |

#### **Opportunity for Public Comment**

Welcome to a meeting of the Board of Trustees for TVCS. All board meetings follow a published agenda and are presided over by The Chairman of the Board or a designee in the Chairman's absence. All Board meetings are held in compliance with the Idaho Open Meeting Law. Public comment on items before the Board is welcome and encouraged. The Board's purpose is to make decisions and policies congruent with the school's vision, mission and charter. The Board recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and the importance of involving members of the public in its meetings. The procedure for addressing the board is as follows:

E Patrons who wish to comment on agenda items may do so by signing the Public Comment Sheet provided by the Clerk of the Board.

Please state your name, your relationship to the school and the item on the agenda you wish to addressComments are not limited to agenda items only

Comments should be kept brief and may be limited to 3-5 minutes. The President or designee may interrupt or terminate an individual's statement if it is too lengthy, personally directed, abusive, obscene, repetitive, or irrelevant. The Board as a whole shall have the final decision in determining the appropriateness of all such rulings.

Fresent only if your comment offers a new perspective or new information on an agenda item that has not been heard prior for that particular agenda item

The rights of employees, students and others are protected by various laws and policies. At a public meeting of the Board of Trustees, no person shall orally initiate charges or complaints against students or individual employees of the school.

| 7:11 pm  | Opportunity For Public<br>Comment   | TBD                  | Informational         | TBD                       |  |  |  |
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| No public comments.  |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| 7:12 pm  | 2016-2017 Audit Findings  | Bailey &<br>Company  | Review                | Approve                   |  |  |  |
|  | Cassie A. Zattiero with Bailey & Co reported on the findings of the 2016-2017 fiscal year audit. She outlined |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| -  | juidelines of what the audit encom  | •                    |                       | . ,                       |  |  |  |
| indicated that   | t there was some concern with in  | ternal controls rega | rding state departm   | ent of education grant    |  |  |  |
| compliance v   | vith no evidence of written policies  | s regarding federal  | awards, time and ef   | fort reporting for proper |  |  |  |
| allocation of  | Title 1 and similar funds and the r   | maintenance of emp   | ployee files with som | ne files lacking proper   |  |  |  |
| documentation. She went on to say that the fire suppression system would not be depreciated this year, the         |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| bond discour   | bond discount was less than face value and there would no building depreciation as it was considered          |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| construction in progress at the end of the fiscal year. She then indicated that the board could go over the letter |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| of findings on their own. Open discussion briefly followed. Trustee Wright made a motion to accept the 2016-       |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| 2017 audit findings, Trustee Hays seconded the motion, Trustee Greenwood indicated that there was a need to        |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| re-visit the letter and all were in favor. Tony Richard then thanked Cassie Zattiero for her flexibility and       |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| thoroughness.  |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| 7:34 pm  | Charter Renewal Update  | Tony Richard         | Informational         | Review                    |  |  |  |
| Tony Richard discussed the recent Idaho Public Charter School Commission renewal tour and indicated that           |   |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |
| Kirsten Poch   | Kirsten Pochop had been joined by the former lead administrator of Anser Charter School, Suzanne Greg, and    |                      |                       |                           |  |  |  |

| Dr. Pough from NNU. They had visited every classroom and met with all members of the business and administrative staff. Overall, he felt they seemed impressed with the school culture and engagement of the staff with students and gave indication renewal with conditions would be forthcoming. Chris Yorgason explained the process of the renewal and there would be a formal report issued by the commission on November 15 <sup>th</sup> with TVCS would have until December 15 <sup>th</sup> to respond regarding any concerns with the final recommendation issued January 15 <sup>th</sup> at which time the school could accept the recommendation as written or negotiate before accepting the conditions or request a hearing if no agreement could be reached.  |   |                             |                       |                              |  |  |
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| 7:40 pm   | Academic Progress   | Robert Mason                | Informational         | Review                       |  |  |
| grade ISAT's<br>over with tea<br>Manning ind<br>hours of tuto<br>that BOY as  | Robert Mason reported the IRI was done and looked good with 70% across hitting their benchmarks and 5th grade ISAT's were up with all assessments to all be completed by next week and he was running the data to go over with teachers. Tony Richard indicated this was a good snapshot of the critical areas that need work. Lori Manning indicated that Friday school was being implemented with Alexander Mackenzie providing one to three hours of tutoring and that the Chromebooks and Edmentum were pinpointing the areas where help was needed that BOY assessments to be completed asap so as to show progress from the beginning of the year. Trustee Greenwood asked that the data be presented in a different format that was easier to read with clear data. Open |                             |                       |                              |  |  |
| 7:56 pm   | Hurray for TVCS   | Tony Richard                | Informational         | Review                       |  |  |
| Hensley's hu  | d indicated that the ribbon cutting<br>usband indicating that he had enjo<br>ay with the target being 100and the<br>Admin Review  | yed our venue, the          | lunch program had     | served as many as 66         |  |  |
| Trustee Este  | es indicated that she had been wo   | rking with Trustee S        | mith to get the cont  | ent for the admin rubric for |  |  |
|   | v and hoped to have that ready the  |                             | final to get the cont |                              |  |  |
| 8:00 pm   | Lighthouse Website and<br>Progress  | Tony Richard                | Informational         | Review                       |  |  |
| for parents a   | Tony Richard presented a calendar of upcoming Lighthouse events including a November 14 <sup>th</sup> 7 Habits training for parents and he hoped to have upwards of 25 people there. He went on to say that the him and Pat Griffin were working on WIG's with leadership, culture and academics being a good place to start. Open discussion followed  |                             |                       |                              |  |  |
| 8:06 pm   | Electives Update  | Tony Richard                | Informational         | Review                       |  |  |
| Tony Richard presented on electives and with a module set up with the focus this time being on arts and acting<br>and that the goal setting conferences had been shifted to the more traditional parent teacher conferences. He<br>then went on to say that as students hit their goals they would dip their hand in paint for placement on the gym<br>wall.  |   |                             |                       |                              |  |  |
| 8:08 pm   | Enrollment Update   | Jennifer Owen-<br>Tillotson | Informational         | Review                       |  |  |
| Jennifer Owen-Tillotson indicated that they were 441 students as of today with eight more, maybe nine set to start Monday and an additional fifteen possibilities she was working to get enrolled. The radio internet add campaign was a success with 13,921 clicks, 253 that actually went to our website and 22 applications turned in as a result of it. She also indicated that she had an upcoming trunk or treat event and the kids Discovery Expo coming up November 11 <sup>th</sup> . Lori Manning indicated that open enrollment would be closed on November 3rs with the focus then shifting to next year's enrollment. Trustee Estes also indicated a need to focus on retention of current students. Open discussion followed.   |   |                             |                       |                              |  |  |
| 8:14 pm   | ACHD Bond   | Lori Manning                | Review                | Ratification                 |  |  |
| Trustee Greenwood indicated ow important it was for the \$25,000 bond that was promised to ACHD be fulfilled within the next three to five days as it was necessary for the occupancy permit to go from temporary to permanent. Trustee Wright made a motion to ratify the amount of the ACHD bond, Trustee Castaneda seconded the motion and all were in favor.  |   |                             |                       |                              |  |  |
| 8:17 pm   | Veritas Report  | Lori Manning                | Review                | Approve                      |  |  |
| Lori Manning indicated that Veritas had been busy helping with the ribbon cutting ceremony, the audit and the commission tour as well as providing ongoing communication between the various parties involved in the bond. She went on to say that while it was important to keep enrollment numbers up to satisfy the requirements set forth by the bond, it was also vital to protect academics and maintain and track student's progress. She then went on to say that 7 pallets of carpeting for the gym were being delivered to the airport the following day and she and Tony were going to pick it up and get it to the school. Trustee hays made a motion to accept the Veritas summary report, Trustee hays seconded the motion and all were in favor. Trustee Greenwood did say he expected a full review of Gate next month. |   |                             |                       |                              |  |  |

| 8:22 pm  | Banking Update   | Lori Manning/                            | Review        | Approve        |  |  |
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| Lisa ThompsonLori Manning indicated that a look at expenditures in relation to moving expenses indicated that \$103,000 had<br>already been paid out for carpeting, wiring, and similar construction expenses from the general fund. Medicaid<br>billing was just getting underway and no payments had been received as of yet. This had led to a bit of a cash<br>flow crunch, but ACD would be willing to provide a \$50,000 line of credit of which \$25,000 would be used to<br>cover the ACHD bond. Trustee Hays asked if that was enough to cover the immediate needs and would there be<br>a need of another loan in the spring. Lori Manning indicated that the Medicaid billing would help and rather or<br>not three mortgage payments or one were taken out in November would impact cash flow going forth. Trustee<br>hays made a motion to allow Lori Manning to pursue a line of credit with ACD for \$50,000, Trustee Castaneda<br>seconded the motion and all were in favor.8:32 pmBudget and FinanceLisa Thompson/InformationalReview |  |  |               |                |  |  |
| 8:32 pm  | Budget and Finance   | Lisa Thompson/<br>Lori Manning           |               |                |  |  |
| budget would   | Lisa Thompson indicated she had forwarded several financial documents to the board for review and that the budget would need to be adjusted in December. Trustee Greenwood indicated that he would like to be kept informed and would like to have the fiscal letter of concern removed as soon as possible. Open discussion followed.   Certificate of Occupancy Ben Greenwood Informational Review |  |               |                |  |  |
|  | Update<br>Marketing Fall Activities  | Jake Hays<br>Jennifer Owen-<br>Tillotson | Informational | Review         |  |  |
| Trustee Greenwood indicated that both the certificate of occupancy and marketing had been covered and the meeting was adjourned.   |  |  |               |                |  |  |
| 8:00 pm  | Executive Session  | Presenter                                | Presentation  | Issues Planned |  |  |
|  | 74-206 (1)(b)  | All                                      | All           | N/A            |  |  |
| Trustee Hays made a motion that executive session be entered pursuant to code 74-206 (1)(b), Trustee Castaneda seconded the motion and all were in favor. Roll call was taken and all board members were present with the exception of Trustee Smith. Executive session was adjourned at ****  |  |  |               |                |  |  |

Dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

**Board Chairman** 

Board of Directors Meeting convened and held pursuant to appropriately provided and received electronic Notice of Regular Board Meeting with posted agenda