

Treasure Valley Classical Academy Board of Trustees Meeting

Treasure Valley Classical Academy Auditorium

500 SW 3rd St., Fruitland, Idaho 83619

MINUTES

Date: December 19, 2019

Time: 7 p.m.

1. **Call to Order by Mr. Lasnick, President**
2. **Roll Call of the Board by Mrs. Taylor, Secretary:** Mrs. Frei (by speaker phone), Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Baines, Mr. Lasnick, Mr. Evenden, Mr. Fugate (absent), Mrs. Taylor. Six present. Quorum established. **Others attending:** Mr. Lambert (Principal), Dr. Condra (Vice Principal), Marc Carignan (BLUUM), Lisa Woods (Fruitland), Seneca Woods (Fruitland), Holly Fugate (Fruitland), Chad Henggeler (Fruitland), Reece H. (Fruitland), Kim Esterman, Elizabeth Turner (Delightful Discoveries), Fran Renk (Delightful Discoveries), Jody Obermeier (Delightful Discoveries)
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **School Pledge:** I will learn the true, I will do the good, I will love the beautiful.
5. **Mission:** The mission of Treasure Valley Classical Academy is to train the minds and improve the hearts of students through a classical, content-rich curriculum that emphasizes the principles of virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility.
6. **Consent Agenda (Action Items):** Mr. Lasnick asked if any items need removed on Consent Agenda. Mrs. Baines asked that 6.2, 6.4, 6.5 be removed from the agenda to discuss later. Mr. Lasnick moved to adopt Consent Agenda with items 6.1 and 6.3. No objection. Motion carried.
 - 6.1. Adopt agenda for 12.19.19
 - 6.2. Adopt regular meeting minutes from 11.21.19-Discussion: Mrs. Baines stated corrections: Strike last sentence in 10.2, first sentence in 11.1 and a name in last sentence of 11.1. Mrs. Frei corrected last sentence in 8.2 from December to January. Mrs. Taylor moved that we adopt minutes as corrected. Mrs. Nelson seconded. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.
 - 6.3. Board has three (3) active committees: Finance, Governance, and Development
 - 6.4. Review Hillsdale BCSI Contract (for Board to remain familiar with contract terms) It was mentioned TVCA needs to provide any written response from the PCSC to Hillsdale. The Board needs to be certain that Hillsdale is receiving all our school handbooks, parents' survey results, and any other required materials. Mr. Lasnick will meet with Mr. Lambert to resolve who sends what items to Hillsdale. Mr. Evenden moved to show that the Board reviewed the Hillsdale Contract. Mrs. Baines seconded. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.
 - 6.5. Review JKAF-TVCA Agreement (for Board to remain familiar with Agreement terms) It was mentioned that a BLUUM member have a position on the Board. Mr. Lasnick will speak with BLUUM about this item. Mrs. Baines moved to show that the Board reviewed the JKAF-TVCA Agreement. Mrs. Nelson seconded. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.
7. **Community Comments:** Parents and members of the community are invited to make comments to the Board during this section of the meeting. If you wish to address the Board, please sign up before the meeting. You may address the Board for up to two (2) minutes, and the time limit will be enforced. Comments should not reference individual personalities or other private matters. If you wish to discuss these, please refer to the Board's grievance policy. The Board and/or Administration will address written concerns in a timely manner.
8. **Reports**

- 8.1. School Leader's Report: Mr. Lambert. Dr. Condra spoke about the successful (highly attended) Fine Arts Program. A TVCA Spring Fine Arts Program is in motion. TVCA has started an Idaho History unit for the 4th grade. TVCA mascot to be announced Dec. 20th.
 - 8.1.1. December Dashboard: 16 students are in intensive literacy remediation. TVCA graduated the 1st student out of literacy remediation.
 - 8.1.2. Fall IRI Results-Administered in Sept.: 63% kindergarteners, 55% 1st graders, 57% 2nd graders, 63% 3rd graders tested well on grade level. (TVCA's first year/semester) MAP testing has been administered. Mr. Lambert has completed several teacher observations and the teachers are doing well teaching the curriculum. TVCA's school culture is doing great with families, students, and staff.
 - 8.1.3. Delightful Discoveries After-School Program: Mrs. Renk, Mrs. Obermeier, and Mrs. Turner, Director of After-School Program, presented their after school program. They would like to begin in January 2020. They are still deciding where to hold this program.
- 8.2. Financial Report: Mr. Carignan (BLUUM): No full report to present at this time. The full report will be presented (amended budget) at January's Board meeting. Report on CSP Grant will be in January.
- 8.3. Governance Committee: Mrs. Baines: Christina Grace joined the Governance Committee in December 2019 and she will be the Latino representative. Outreach and recruitment continues. Governance Committee met with a Census representative explaining the importance of filling out the Census for needed funding. The Committee would like to have a mid-season Board work session January 18th, 2020.
- 8.4. Finance Committee: Mrs. Frei: Finance Committee is meeting with BLUUM in January for the budget and to identify and execute financial controls.
- 8.5. Development Committee: Mr. Evenden: Last month's focus: A representative from Fruitland Electric (S.W 3rd Avenue) has approached the school with an offer to lease to purchase their building for TVCA expansion. There are 2 buildings and several parking spaces on the property. The proposed offer would have the school take over the existing office building first, creating an art studio. According to Mr. Guho the existing office building will also be able to accommodate an additional 3 classrooms in that space. With the current lease drafted we could initiate this process quickly and host our art classroom after winter break. TVCA will also be looking forward to future expansion needs and creating opportunities for future development of TVCA. Building Hope has offered assistance. Waiting to hear back from the Fruitland School Board on property.

9. Unfinished Business:

- 9.1. Review TVCA charter amendment to add a second class to top two grades for 20/21 school year (Action Item). Mr. Lambert is in contact with the PCSC for needed approval. Mrs. Baines moved that when the Boards approval growth is in alignment with the PCSC's authorization we add a second class to TVCA's top two grades for the 20/21 school year. Mr. Evenden seconded. Discussion: Board discussed to be in alignment with our charter and the PCSC on enrollment. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

10. New Business:

- 10.1. TVCA Transportation Handbook: Mr. Lambert (action item). Mrs. Nelson moved that we adopt the TVCA Transportation Handbook as corrected. Mrs. Baines seconded. Discussion: minor word correction on Pg. 6. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

10.2. Approve lease of property to support growth: Development Committee (action item). Mr. Evenden moved that we approve the lease of property to support TVCA growth. Mrs. Baines seconded. Discussion: It was mentioned that item 3C needs an amount for the rent added to the purchase price. Mr. Evenden explained that it's hard to set that amount until the goal negotiations are finalized. This is a negotiating item. Unanimous vote. Motion carried. (Approved the lease in principle. The Development Committee will be involved in finalizing.)

11. **Ongoing Board Development and Assessment:**

11.1. Board Wiser article by Dr. Brian Carpenter review by Mrs. Baines: "3 Things the Board should evaluate every year" are: 1. Progress toward charter renewal, 2. Performance of the school leader, and 3. Performance of the Board.

12. **Adjournment: Having completed the agenda the meeting is adjourned at 8.28 p.m.**

Julie Taylor, Secretary