

Treasure Valley Classical Academy Board of Trustees

Treasure Valley Classical Academy
500 SW 3rd St., Fruitland, Idaho 83619

Minutes

Date: July 21, 2022

Time: 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to order** by Board President, Mr. Lasnick
2. **Roll call of Board** by Secretary, Mr. Evenden, Mr. Lasnick, Dr. Nelson, Mrs. Frei, Mr. Fugate, Mrs. Saylor (call in)
Others Attending: Mr. Lambert (Executive Director)(call in), Dr. Condra (Principal), Mr. Carignan (BLUUM) (Call in), Mr. Ford (FRS)(call in),
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 to separate the the consent agenda for adoption
 - 6.1. Adopt Board meeting agenda 07.21.22

Mr. Lasnick moved to adopt the Amended Board Meeting Agenda 07.21.22 after 1) adding agenda item 10.5 Slate of Employees due to state requirements to have it approved prior to the start of school, and 2) adding '(c)' as another reason to enter into the executive session due to the late realization a planned topic needed to be placed inside an executive session rather than a normal report and the board needs the information prior to the end of the month."

Mrs. Frei seconded. Unanimous vote. Motion Carried.

- 6.2. Adopt Board meeting minutes 06.16.22

Mrs. Nelson moved to adopt the Amended Board Meeting Minutes 06.16. 22

Mrs. Frie seconded. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

7. Community Comments

- 7.1. **Open 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 Report:** Dr. Condra reported current enrollment : 547 which is 7 students over full enrollment.. Faculty Chair and teachers in Kindergarten are allowing for 60 students due to retention. 3rd, 5th and 9th grade may over enroll due to pending offers for staff that would allow for children of those new hires.
- 8.2. **Executive Director Report:** Mr. Lambert reported that his time has been spent working towards the future of the TVCA campus and onboarding Mr. Cain and Mr. Sims for INCA. Chris Yorgenson will be establishing the new foundation (ACSI) as legal entity, this should be completed late fall.Work Finishing logo and branding work, building a website for ACSI to be completed by late August. INCA charter is in progress, to be submitted to Eagle school district mid August and to the Idaho Charter School Commision on December 8th for charter defense. ACSI board may be running beginning mid -September. The ACSI board could be in place for the December defense of the INCA charter. Hillsdale has been briefed about ACSI as well as INCA. ACSI will do a lot of the vetting work that Hillsdale normally

does in the beginning for new leadership groups for new area schools. The Executive director will have a dashboard of items to report back to the board but it will evolve over time. Board drive access will be adjusted with changes to board.

- 8.3. Financial Committee Report: Mrs. Saylor and Mr. Carignan reported that we ended the fiscal year with 71 days of cash on hand. Our bond financing application requires 60 days cash on hand. Bluum completed our audit work and should have financials and 990s next week. July 15th we received final payment from the state with some adjustments that benefit us. Field work is complete with our audit. Conservative planning and thrifty execution allowed us to reach these goals.
- 8.4. Governance Committee Report: Mr. Fugate reported Dr. Condra is our new Principal and we are asking him to set some new goals for the coming school year. It may be that the Executive Director is going to do the evaluation and report back to us. The Board will review the goals reported by the Executive Director.
- 8.5. Capital Committee Report: Dr. Nelson reported that there was no new update on grants. Hillsdale luncheon will happen September 22nd at 12noon and board members will be there to help facilitate and serve. Mrs. Saylor reported that they are looking for table sponsors for the Guns and Roses fundraising dinner/auction on September 10th. Our 9th grade orchestra will get to perform with the band. Sign up genius with PTCA to solicit for sponsors and auction baskets. There will be more information at the open house for the event as well as legacy bricks. We have sold 85 bricks, the price to purchase Bricks will be \$75.

9. Unfinished Business

10. New Business

- 10.1. **Review IPCSC Letter of Good Standing:** Mr. Lasnick presented this for the board's reviews. We also need this for the bond financing. IPCSC has a form that shows an official statement of our good standing for the last 3 years
- 10.2. **Review 2021/22 Academic Report:** Dr. Condra presented the report outlining our 3rd school year, the first of which uninterrupted by Covid. This is the second year that we did all of our regular standardized testing. ISAT shows Math results TVCA outperformed in several grades versus the state average. 3rd grade may have a technical issue with the ISAT format. Staff will be able to prep students without teaching to the test and 6th grade has historically been underperforming so as they move to the 7th grade students needing more remediation for math will have an opportunity to catch up. Literacy 4-6th grade tied or fell short of state averages and students have been identified as needing more help. IRI measures reading ability, 2nd grade scores 81% at or above grade level vs. 72% of state level. This is the point at which TVCA's approach to literacy takes hold and the Literacy and Numeracy framework is not part of the focus in K and 1st but is a large focus of the IRI. Ms. Mellow our RTI Coordinator has created our internal dashboard which looks at our curriculum and shows that 2nd grade has high achievement. The report also shows grade distribution for upper grades.
- 10.3. **Amend TVCA ByLaws (first reading):** Mr. Lasnick & Mr. Evenden read aloud and presented amendments to our bylaws which includes changes to annual meetings from Third Thursday to the Third Tuesday of the month. It also includes renumbering the page numbers from 1 to 19. Instances referring to Principal are being changed to Executive director to allow for the new structure of governance.
- 10.4. **Adopt new contract for Mr. Steve Lambert as Executive Director:** Mr. Lasnick asked for a motion to (action item) Mrs. Frie motioned, Dr. Nelson seconded. TVCA is not paying for the salary of the executive director; it is coming from donations that BLUUM will distribute to TVCA to allow them to stay on as an Employee of TVCA. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.
- 10.5. **Adopt TVCA AY22-23 Slate of Employees:** Dr. Condra (action item) reported several new teachers joining us for the 2022-2023 school year. Dr. Mendenhall and Mr. Mendenhall will be joining us as a 6th grade teacher and Upper School History/Latin teacher respectively. Ms. Burke will join us as a special education teacher. Mrs. Kliebar will join as an upper school mathematics teacher. Mrs. Schmid will be moving into a new role as special education teacher. Ms.Solorio will join after working as a

paraprofessional last year and will be filling the 4th grade position. Mr. Gallon will be replacing Mr. Nugent, teaching upper school humanities and as a Dean of Students. We will also welcome the leadership team of INCA Mr. Sims and Mr. Cain who will be spending time teaching and overseeing our school's activities.

Dr. Nelson moves to adopt accepting the 2022-2023 slate of employees as presented by Dr. Condra and Mrs. Frei seconds . unanimous vote. motion carried.

10.6. **Executive Session pursuant to Idaho code 74-206 (b) &(c):** (action item)

11. Adjournment: Having completed the agenda the meeting is adjourned at 8:49pm.

Travis Evenden, Board Secretary