



## Governance Board Meeting MINUTES

March 30, 2023

Location: Valley New School / Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/7831034684>

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### Attendance

Steve DeMay, David Debbink, Burke Wallace, Eliza Luedtke, Nicole Luedtke, Shannon Rabas, Jenny Tachick, Mike Frohlike, Becky Johnson

### Call to Order

5:33

### Community Input/ Sharing

None

### Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

APPROVED 8 - 0

### Committee Reports

Finance - No financial update. Finance team should have a meeting soon.

Fundraising for new space? How much from the endowment do we have to spend?

Community Partnership - New people calling everyday to see VNS and hoping to attend next fall.

AISA - Parent open house was very successful. Wellness wednesday has been added to the blended learning week on Friday. Wellness wednesday has also seems successful.

### Old Business

Building Update - Since last meeting potential buildings has been seen. The Chase bank building has been identified as the most likely option. Pefferle has not told us that we had to leave and the new owners don't take ownership until May. We



have to be out by the end of our lease. A proposed renovation estimate is needed. August 1st is the proposed date for ending construction of the new building per the building owner. Cool new improvements- Music grant and kiln among them. District needs to be involved with switching wifi and technology over. Enlist a few parent volunteers to help with packing. What can be packed without disrupting the flow of the school day. Our goal is that everything is packed up and/or trashed by the end of May. Staged moving dates were suggested. Try to take as much infrastructure as possible.

20th Anniversary - Emails to alumni were sent out today asking if they want to be apart. Our goals are to have students presenting a project in science fair, speaking, or performance form. A variety of people from the past of VNS. Speaking virtually is also an option for those who don't live close. Mike Young as DJ for the third portion of the evening. Parent volunteers are needed to help set up. Jaquelyn is going to be the front runner for that. Students to help with decorations. A struggle with alums is obtaining contact information. An option for alums to come into VNS on Friday is a possibility. Old pictures and memorabilia would be greatly appreciated. Meredith Contacted every alum that had a phone number listed. Cookout/Community Lunch on Friday for alums and students. Invite your people! Potential donors. Tom Simon could hand out endowment sheets for the new building and/or endowment fund. Silent auction or raffle. Try not to make it a fundraiser. Soft sell on the endowment. NO AUCTION! Building Wishlist.

### **New Business**

VNS Scholarship Committee - Several conversations about who is on the committee. Tammy, David, and Mike Hernandez. Read over everything and have a meeting

Staffing - A new secretary has been hired. Tonya Rosebaum. She can drive a Lamers bus and has an accounting degree. Final stages of the hiring process and a final conversation today about final thoughts. Immersive interview process has been good. Mike Hernandez wants to have a final interview with the final candidate but references will be contacted first.



**Next Meeting:**

**May 4, 2023**

**Adjourn**

**6:25**