



## Governance Board Meeting MINUTES

### 3.6.24

Location: Valley New School / Zoom

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

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### Attendance

Tanya Rosenbaum, Burke Wallace, Nicole Luedtke, Jenny Tachick, Jen Kosloski, Shannon Rabas, David Debbink, Reeder Luedtke, Tammy Ladwig

### Call to Order

5:03

### Community Input/ Sharing

VNS had a very successful speech night on February 15th. It was a mix of ideas, issues and personal stories. We had parents, family, friends, alumni, former educators, community members and the Superintendent in attendance for the speeches. VNS utilized one of the AASD meeting rooms on the first floor which fulfilled all of our needs for a second speech location. Board member Jenny Tachick recently attended a Women in Technology event and discussed the need for bringing more girls into tech careers.

### Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

APPROVED 7 - 0

### Committee Reports

Finance - no reports

Community Partnership - They recently discussed recruitment and enrollment. Wanting to know how people hear about VNS, there was a question added to the sign-ins for informational meeting nights. The responses were evenly split between: charter fair, friends, and the website. VNS will be utilizing emails to potential families instead of postcards for recruitment next year.



The CPC team and the student PR team talked about purchasing a better display system to be used for recruitment and other info sessions. The skeleton for the old system needs to be replaced and the graphics are out of date. Alumnus Cam Kubasta is contracted to do A Day in the Life videos for VNS. He will work with the student PR team to create new videos for the VNS website and social media. The PR team also added a few new things to the VNS website. There is a Life after VNS section showing all the colleges VNS students have been accepted to throughout the years at VNS. There is also a FAQs page for new families to check out. It focuses on answering some student and parent questions.

AISA - They discussed students wanting more clubs for the students. They reviewed student discussion groups and talked about students wanting to bring in more speakers to talk and present on more varied topics. AISA wants to make Monday

### **Old Business**

Building update - VNS announced at speech night that the AASD school board agreed to purchase the current space to be the permanent new home for VNS! We created a wishlist for needs and wants for the space to make it a more community focused student environment. The district energy specialist and former VNS parent, Jennifer Schneider, walked through the building with a few students from the VNS Green committee to discuss the possibility of renewable energy and making the space more energy efficient.

Calendar update - The 2024-2025 calendar was submitted to the district. The VNS calendar mirrors the district calendar for most days.

### **New Business**

Enrollment update - VNS has already had 10 students accept the seats that were offered to them for the 2024-2025 school year. We currently have 16 people on the waiting list. The administrative assistant has updated how VNS notifies parents



of seat offers and waitlist spots. Once a student accepts an offer they will now get more of a Welcome Packet sent to them through the mail along with the questionnaires to fill out.

Current senior, Caitlyn Bryan, talked about her senior project on the Psychology of the Horror genre. She discussed all her research and her final product will be a horror film. She is collaborating with NarroWay Entertainment to record and produce the film and asked the board to approve her money request to help her cover the cost of this endeavor. The Board agreed to fund \$700 towards the project.

**Next Meeting**

April 17th at 5 pm

**Adjourn**

6:03