North Valley Academy
Governing Council Agenda – Regular Meeting
7939 4th Street NW, Los Ranchos de Albuquerque, NM 87114
October 23, 2025, at 4:30 PM

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A. OPENING BUSINESS

1. Call to Order:

Council Chair Victor Marthe calls the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

2. Roll Call:

Name	Title	Present	Absent
Victor Marthe	Council Chair	x	
Crystal Sanchez	Member	x	
Ellen Argyres	Member	x	
Jackie Kinnunen	Secretary		x
Thomas Walmsley Jr.	Vice Chair		x

Other attendees: Julie Geldmacher – Principal; Sam Gonzales - DMH Law, Gowan Hays - Axiom

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Chair Victor Marthe leads the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Vote to Approve 10/23/25 Agenda:

Council chair Victor Marth motioned to approve the 10/23/2025 agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by the council member, Ellen Argyres.

Roll call vote:

Name	Title	Yay	Nay	Abstain
Victor Marthe	Council Chair	x		
Crystal Sanchez	Member	x		
Ellen Argyres	Member	x		
Jackie Kinnunen	Secretary		N/A	
Thomas Walmsley Jr.	Vice Chair		N/A	

5. Vote to Approve Minutes from 9/25/25:
Council member Ellen Argyres motioned to approve the minutes from the 9/25/25 meeting. The motion was seconded by council member Crystal Sanchez.

Roll call vote:

Name	Title	Yay	Nay	Abstain
Victor Marthe	Council Chair	x		
Crystal Sanchez	Member	x		
Ellen Argyres	Member	x		
Jackie Kinnunen	Secretary		N/A	
Thomas Walmsley Jr.	Vice Chair		N/A	

B. ACTION ITEMS

1. Bank Reconciliations:
Gowan Hays presented bank reconciliations from September 2025. There are no journal entry differences for the month. Hays reports nothing abnormal regarding receipts for this month. Some of the outstanding checks were voided or reissued.

Council member Ellen Argyres motioned to approve the presented back reconciliations for

September 2025 as presented. The motion was seconded by council chair Victor Marthe.

Roll call vote:

Name	Title	Yay	Nay	Abstain
Victor Marthe	Council Chair	x		
Crystal Sanchez	Member	x		
Ellen Argyres	Member	x		
Jackie Kinnunen	Secretary		N/A	
Thomas Walmsley Jr.	Vice Chair		N/A	

2. Budget Adjustment Requests

No BARS for this month.

3. AP-PR Vouchers

Gowan Hayes reviewed the check listing for AP-PR Vouchers. The board agreed to combine all financial reports and statements under one action item for the next meeting with the exception of the BARS. BARS will remain a separate action item.

Council member Ellen Agyres made a motion to approve the AP and PR vouchers as presented. Council Chair Victor Marthe seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Name	Title	Yay	Nay	Abstain
Victor Marthe	Council Chair	x		
Crystal Sanchez	Member	x		
Ellen Argyres	Member	x		
Jackie Kinnunen	Secretary		N/A	
Thomas Walmsley Jr.	Vice Chair		N/A	

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Head Administrator Report

School administrator Julie Geldmacher shared that the renewal site visit went with lots of positive feedback. This included a joyful and creative environment. Supportive advice was given for the school's renewal. The renewal hearing date in Santa Fe will be December 8 at 8 am. Julie Geldmacher reports school has completed active shooter training, and the school is working on completing the safe schools report.

2. Equity Council Report

School administrator Julie Geldmacher shared that a new member has joined the council. The Equity Council discussed providing financial support for background checks for parent volunteers. The council agreed to provide support if parents are willing to volunteer at three events throughout the school year. The equity council is moving through a readiness assessment to analyze students' needs and how the school can improve in supporting students.

3. Governing Council Training

Julie Geldmacher stated that the training will happen after the holidays. The GC will wait until all members are present to decide on a date for the training.

D. CLOSING BUSINESS

1. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Scheduling of Governing Council Training.

2. Next Meeting - November 20, 2025, at 4:30 pm

3. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned.

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