VAUGHN | NEXT CENTURY LEARNING CENTER

BOARD MEETING
OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
4:00 p.m., Wednesday
November 19, 2025
APPROVED MINUTES

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Call to Order

A. Establish Quorum:

Luis Cervantes	Present
David Cory	Present
Steve Holle	Present
Anthony Jackson	Present
Anahi Lara	Present
Suzanne Llamas	Present
Lucia Mier	Present
Leland Tang	Present
Gabriel Ylo	Present

Advisory Student Members (non-voting)
Jonathan Chan
Gradys Cordova

PUBLIC COMMENT:
High School Teacher, Hillary Hinson addressed the board regarding agenda item B1. She expressed concern and expressed there needs to be more outlining of the use of the funds. Staff have already attended training to address some of the initiatives mentioned.

Prior Meeting Board Minutes Approval
There were no updates/changes requested to the meeting minutes.

Board member Suzanne Llamas motioned to approve the minutes, board member Leland Tang seconded the motion

Yes	No	Abstain
Luis Cervantes		
David Cory		
Anthony Jackson		
Steve Holle		
Lucia Mier		
Gabriel Ylo		

Governance (15 minutes)

G1	**CEO Report:** The CEO will give a presentation of the school's progress, deliverables and school enrollment numbers and attendance rates.	Informational Item	CEO, Fidel Ramirez shared an update with the board regarding enrollment and ADA trends. Also shared the continued outreach efforts, community events and supports that Vaughn continues to offer. Showcased the Lights On Afterschool/Family Wellness day event where more than 400 families and staff participated.

Business (60 minutes)

B1	**The Yvonne Chan Academic Achievement**	Action Item	Board member, Anthony Jackson shared

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<td>Fund- The Board will receive an update on the draft resolution establishing the Yvonne Chan Academic Achievement Fund.</td>
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<td>the information on the Yvonne Chan Academic Achievement Fund. He informed the board of the nature of this initiative, the expectations and the checkpoints that will happen to ensure that the funds are being maximized and that student academic results are showing growth. Anthony shared that the initial amount of $300k would come strictly from the interest earned from investments. This initiative further supports achieving the benchmarks established by LAUSD.

Board members engaged in conversation around the initiative, the staff concerns and the communication with them to ensure transparency and clarity of strategies and intentionality in supporting continued student academic achievement and growth.

Board member Leland Tang motioned to approve the action item, board member Steve Holle seconded the motion

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<td>B2</td>
<td>Incorporating a New College Culture into the Expanded Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP) – The Board will receive a presentation on the proposed New College Culture ELOP and will move on the approval of the program.</td>
<td>Action Item</td>
<td>GEAR UP Director, Cesar Perez and Special Programs Manager, Vanessa Montano shared with the board the finalized proposal for the college and career pathways program for all Vaughn students. This proposal is inclusive of the staffing needed and salary of these</td>
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<td>Community School Update – The Board will receive a progress report of the implementation of the California Community Schools Partnership Program.</td>
<td>Informational Item</td>
<td>Director of Community Schools, Griselda Ortiz shared with the board the progress on the implementation of the Community Schools Grant. Griselda informed the board of the initiatives, the parent and community involvement, surveying, data and community partnerships that are being leveraged to support the student community.</td>
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<td>Audit Update: The Board will receive an update on the Fiscal Year 2024–25 audit report regarding the extension required as a result of pending federal compliance supplement..</td>
<td>Informational Item</td>
<td>CFO, Yolanda Griffin shared that as a result of the government shutdown, the Office of Management and Budget has not released the 2025 Compliance Supplement. As a result there is no anticipated date of availability and therefore this impacts the timeline and submission of the audit. Yolanda has been in touch with the LAUSD fiscal team to inform and submit for an extension.</td>
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<td>B5</td>
<td>Board Approved Vendor List: The board will review new vendors added to the school list of approved vendors.</td>
<td>Action Item</td>
<td>Chief Financial Officer, Yolanda Griffin shared with the board the updated list of vendors in excess of $250k as required by the fiscal policy.</td>
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Curriculum and Instruction (15 minutes)

C1	**Special Education Update -**The Board will receive an update on the progress of the school's Special Education program.	Informational Item	Resource Teacher Leads, Adam Wills and Mercy Macharia, shared a department update with the board. She informed the board of the continued increase in student evaluations and support classifications alongside the limited staff resources. She shared the number of completed assessments and the breakdown of student need.

Partnership and School Site Council (10 minutes)

P1	**Governance Committee Updates-** The Curriculum and Instruction, Business, and Partnership committee chairs will provide the Board an update on committee initiatives.	Informational Item	Curriculum & Instruction Chair Anahi Lara shared that the 25-26 school year calendar was shared and voted on. Partnership Chair David Cory shared that the committee approved 7 fundraisers. Business Chair Gabriel Ylo informed the board that they reviewed budgets and feel more comfortable in the understanding of transparency of budget allocations and the manner in which funding works.

P2	**Student Board Member Update-** The Student Board Members will provide the Board an update of student activities.	Informational Item	Student board member Jonathan Chan informed that they have setup a Career Day for Dec 6, 2025. They have invited alumni and former parents to further expand the information and awareness around their experiences through booths, tables and gather more information on a more personalized perspective as opposed to bringing outside organizations that may be more challenging to organize.

Board member comments/future agenda items

Adjournment:

Next Board Meetings:

December 10, 2025

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