

Minutes
VIS Building Council
 10/1/2025
 Location of Meeting: Room 164
 Time: 3:30

Roles:

Facilitator: Jim Mauro

Minutes: Natalie Sonneville

Time Keeper: Leah Daniels-Farren

Members: Jim Mauro, Natalie Sonneville, Leah Daniels-Farren, Katie Ackley, Gisela Ambruster, Laura Colcord, Maren Miller, Lisa Guastadisegni, Alison Sheridan, Desiree Wilson, Cristine Bialaszewski.

Topic/Subject	Person Responsible	Time Allotted	Notes/Next Steps
Welcome		12 mins	
Circle -Introductions, what do you love about the Victor school community?	Facilitator	5	
Norms - Look at last year's meeting norms and make any changes or adjustments	Facilitator	5	● Start and end on time, respect everyone's time, and stay mindful during the meeting. Assume good intentions ● Give everyone a chance to be heard, all voices matter, make room for different perspectives, be an active listener ● Be realistic with what we can accomplish. Accept non-closure; decisions may take time. Create a plan/focus for the next meeting. Decisions can be made by consensus. ● Be a collaborator and commit to the goals of the group and the meetings. Share resources for references. Clearly define roles for the meetings. ● Connect in positive ways and enjoy the work we are doing.
Review Agenda	Facilitator	2	
New Business		35 min	

● Review Purpose of SDM/District Council ● Questions about revised shared decision making plan? ● Focus for the 25-26 School Year ● Buiding Goals ● Book Study - The Anxious Generation? ● Idea of community project ● VIS Homework Policy ● Potential idea of interest based group per trimester (would need to run by BLT and grade levels) ● Review proposed policy changes for district (need to do before December) ● Determine future meeting dates	● Purpose: collaborate and consider various needs of building/district and how we can contribute with a variety of stakeholders' perspectives ● No questions about revised plan ● Book Study: Anxious Generation ○ All on board with book study, will determine if we can get books ordered ○ Gisela has resources and slides from previous book study. We can determine how we want to chunk book. ● Additional Ideas: ○ VIS Community Project - possibly consider for next year. Goal to increase sense of belonging as result of students coming together to contribute toward greater good. ■ Connect with town council and other community resources to determine needs and options ■ Student input from student councils ■ Could be grade-level projects ■ Examples: in past, carving pumpkins for community walk; day of caring, food drives, collaboration with animal shelters, etc. ○ VIS HW Policy: ■ Can be found in agenda ■ May want to pause until we get through implementation of new curricular resource ■ Consider differentiation between grade levels given developmental levels and transitions between buildings ■ Consider data collection this year and then further analyze and discuss next year ○ Interest-based group per trimester: ■ Could merge this with community project idea (i.e day in June when teachers identify a community-project that they want to lead, students sign up for one they want) ■ Would need to be mindful of time and plan this for June ○ Review proposed policy changes for district - MUST DO (completed before December) ■ Add to next agenda
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		● Future Meeting Dates: ○ Wed. 11/5/25, 8:00-8:50 ○ Wed. 12/10/25, 3:30-4:30 ○ Wed. 1/7/26, 8:00-8:50 ○ Wed. 2/4/26, 3:30-4:30 ○ Wed. 3/4/26, 8:00-8:50 ○ Wed. 4/8/26, 3:30-4:30 ○ Wed. 5/6/26, 3:30-4:30 ○ Wed. 6/3/26, 8:00-8:50 (*tentative)
Closing		10 min

Set Agenda & Roles For Next Meeting	Minute Taker	2 min	Review proposed policy changes for district
Parking Lot Attendant	Facilitator	2 min	1.
Round Table	All	6 min	

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- 11/5 8:00 - 8:50am
- 12/10 3:30 - 4:30pm
- 1/7 8:00 - 8:50 am
- 2/4 3:30 - 4:30pm
- 3/4 8:00 - 8:50am
- 4/8 3:30 - 4:30pm
- 5/6 3:30 - 4:30pm
- 6/3 8:00 - 8:50am