

MINUTES/NOTES

Meeting: Eau Claire Virtual School Governance Board

Date: January 20, 2026

Time: 4:45pm – 5:45 pm

Location: BOE 123B

Attendees:

Nicole Brynelsen X	Suzie Slota X	Jason Schmitz X	Laura Schlichting X	Kayla Hundt X
Dan Drescher	Adam Pettit X	Misti Trowbridge X	Holly Stanley X	Cole Pankratz X

1. Call to Order

Jason Schmitz called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Present: Nicole, Suzie, Jason

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Suzie

Second by Nicole

Yes: All Yes

No:

4. Public Comment

- No Comment

5. Approve of Laura Schlichting to ECVS Governance Board

Motion by: Nicole Brynelsen

Second by Suzie Slota

Yes: All

No:

6. Consent Agenda

December Meeting Minutes

December Expenditures

Contract Amendment

Motion to approve by Suzie Slota

Second by Nicole Brynelsen

Yes: All Yes

No:

7. Items for Discussion / Action

a. Discuss/Approve ASCEND Program

Discussion centered on:

- Plan for accelerated pathways and/or students who may be overwhelmed by seeing six courses
- Opens options for part-time enrollment
- Opens the schedule so students will have the ability to take more college courses
- Stacking courses to allow for more advanced classes
- Agreements with families and students for increased accountability
- Concern with a gap between a course and ACT (example) we can get creative with stacking, so students have a math course (as an example) prior to ACT or other assessments
- Students can enter and exit the ASCEND pathway as needed
- Board commented on the plan being well thought out, organized and liked that adjustments can be made

Motion to approve: Suzie

Second by: Nicole

Yes: III

No:0

Abstain: Laura

b. School Report Card

Discussion centered on:

- Testing rate is low less than 85% so staff will focus on increasing the participation rate for 25-26
- State testing is not optional
- ELA scores are higher than math (value add hovers at 3 – average growth)
- Growth in ELA is higher than math (value add hovers at 2.1/2.2 below average growth)
- Difficult to address low math when use the platform and their teachers

8. Administration Update

Griffin Faire –

- Great turn out, thanked staff and board members for attending and engaging with families
- Will explore ways to spread out the booths so we don't get so congested

Potential for new platform

- Exploring options to replace Pearson (not aligned to ECVS curriculum)
- Getting cost information from two vendors
- One of the two vendors can align the ECASD curriculum to ECVS so students have access to the same content
- One of the two vendors has options for tutoring, special education and small group instruction

9. Board Updates

- **Griffin Faire** – good turnout, happy to be part of the event, fun seeing the families, students and staff. Families liked the swag
- **FAC Update:** FAC meeting ran long, very little time for the ECVS presentation and the presentation didn't really explain what happens at this school

9. Motion to Adjourn

Suzie Motioned to adjourn meeting, Nicole approved, all in favor, All Yes