

VJH Building Council Minutes

Date: April 2026

Roles:

Facilitator:

Laura
Westerman

Minutes: Laura
Westerman

Time Keeper:

Members: Brian Gee, Catherine Bossard, Agatha Edkin, Melissa VanRensselaer, Marysue Hobika, Tyler Spitz , Julia Kesel.

		Person Responsible	Time Allotted	Notes/Next Steps
#	Topic/Subject			
Opening				
1	Warm Welcome	Laura	5 min	
2	Review Agenda	Laura	1 min	
Guest Presentation				
3	None			
Old Business				
4	Approve March Minutes	Group	5 min	Approved with one language shift.
5	Career Day	Group		Memorialize work for next year: - Maintain for 8th grade next year. - 1st period for presenter set up- prioritize using rooms that don't have 1st period classes for set-up. - Keep two sessions for rotation- frame the second session as a chance to be exposed to a career they may not have considered. 1st and 2nd sessions would be best if

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				in similar careers or field of expertise New for next year: - Presenter form feedback for next year: - Require presenters to job title (HR presenter at an engineering job would be clustered with HR- update survey for presenters to include actual job title) - "In one sentence, what would you present on?" as a way to differentiate between HR or the company they work for. - There weren't any educational field viewpoints. (Mentor teachers- Jan/Kristi? Use TOSA positions) - Once we have a list- identify gaps in presenters and try to fill in those (ie: education) - While attendance is being taken- students brainstorm 2 questions that are given to the teacher in room to vet before asking at end ("Back pocket questions" if we need to fill time) - When do we want to run this? Prior to course selection to determine pathway? How much will it impact selections
6	Discussion about Breakfast with the Principal	Group		Potential names "Celebration with the Principal" or "Tea with Gee" - Do we move to awards night? Do we have a cookie celebration beforehand. Read names? - Do we shift away from B w/P and just do our other awards? Is it redundant for the same group of kids. Also not missing class at the end of the year.

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				- Award reception at the end? - Presidential award for excellence for 8th grade - Bring criteria to review to next meeting. - Review names to see overlap between Breakfast and Presidents winners
New Business				
7	Morning show highlight	Laura		- Shared a link from the morning show. -
Closing				
8	Good of the Group	Laura	5 min	

Future meeting dates:

[25-26 VJH Proposed Building Council Dates](#)