

**Santa Ynez Valley Charter School
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 18, 2011 in Room 310, 6:00 p.m.**

Public Comment during Public Communications is encouraged and welcomed. Total time per speaker is limited to three minutes. Please be advised that, pursuant to State Law, any member of the public may address the Board of Directors concerning any item within the jurisdiction of the Board. Please be aware that Items on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and are normally enacted by one vote of the Board of Directors. If you wish to speak on a Consent Calendar Item, please do so during the Public Communications.

Present: Colleen Million, Erik Raney, Brooke Blunt, Chrystine Urban, Leah Meyer, Joanne Rosenberg, Leah Warson, Kelly Scott
Absent: Jim Brown

- 1) Public Comment – none
- 2) a) Approve 9-20-11 minutes – KS motioned to approve, LW seconded, approved unanimously
b) Approve warrants/POs- KS motioned to approve, ER seconded, approved unanimously
- 3) Standing Reports
 - a) PTSO (Parent Teacher Student Organization) - no report given
 - b) Golf Tournament - no report given
 - c) Hot Lunch Program – CM reported that daily orders have gone up, have had to hire some part-time workers to help “plate up” the food for Santa Ynez School
 - d) Auction – CM reported that we need auction co-chairs and committee chairs
 - e) Director’s Report – enrollment is currently at 197 students, same as last month, conferences are next week, our school auditors came and only found small discrepancies in the student council fund, these are being remedied this year
 - f) Treasurer’s Report – BB noted that the first interim budget adjustments discussed last meeting have not changed, except for item #5 below regarding new shed purchases which will add \$10,275 more in expense to the budget; we will vote on the changes to the 1st interim budget at the next meeting scheduled on Friday, Oct 28th at 7:55 AM in CM’s office; the projected deficit for the year will be approximately \$144K which the board is comfortable with, due to our large cash reserves
- 4) Discuss and vote on Technology Support Proposal: Mark Million, Technology hardware & application support, and Jeanne Greenfield, Website Maintenance & Curriculum Software Training/Support - CM disclosed the conflict of interest that her husband is applying for the Technology Support position, she presented factual information, responded to our questions, and then recused herself from the board deliberation and voting on his contract; the Board then discussed the fact that Lanspeed charges us \$160-\$200 per hour for technical support, which is so costly that we rarely use this needed service; KS motioned to hire Mark Million as an independent contractor up to 5 hours per week at \$30/hour, JR seconded, approved unanimously (CM was not present and did not vote); then CM returned to the meeting and discussed Jeanne Greenfield and her pro bono work for years on our school website, since we have a budget line item for technology, we did not need to vote on hiring her as a vendor, CM can hire her as she would any other vendor
- 5) Discuss and vote on purchasing P.E. equipment shed and storage shed – CM gave the board a tour, showing us the inadequate space in the multipurpose room, and the deterioration of the metal storage container we have been renting monthly; She requested that we purchase a P.E. equipment shed, a storage shed for graduation items, and another general storage shed at a cost of \$10,275 including installation, which would increase our projected budget deficit, ER motioned to approve, BB seconded, approved unanimously
- 6) Discuss and vote on Rachel’s Challenge Elementary School program – CM presented the packages of assemblies and/or curriculum that we could purchase, JR asked for more details on the curriculum, CM will get more details and then discuss the curriculum with the teachers before we can vote on this
- 7) Public comment on agenda items – none

Closed Session

No items discussed, no action taken