

**Santa Ynez Valley Charter School
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 5, 2013
Multi Purpose Room, 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 agenda are considered to be routine and are normally enacted by one vote of the Board of Directors. If you wish to speak on a specific agenda item, please submit a speaker card prior to the meeting. Total time per speaker is three minutes.

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PRESENT: Colleen Million, Kelly Scott, Leah Warson, Chrystine Urban, Brooke Blunt, John Porter, Melanie Sutton, Genevieve Beard

ABSENT: Jim Brown

Open Session

- 1) Public Comment
- 2) Approval of Minutes for February 19, 2013; JP motioned to table; KS 2nd
- 3) *Director's Special Report*
 - Waiting lists in all grades for next year; 24:1 possible for 13/14 depending on dynamics of class; currently 20:1 Class size reduction will not be in funding next year. Lottery may be necessary for some grades.
 - MSW brought up possibility of Pre-K; CM states we would need to negotiate with District in MOU; Uncertain if Charter schools have option for funding.
 - Valley Schools Conference Monday Mar. 11; No School; teachers will attend "Implementing Core Standards
 - DARE & Keeping it Real Graduation March 28th (5th/6th)
 - CM has been meeting with Mr. Dickey, Sheriff's Dept. SY station; may come to observe safety drill; CM will attend Solvang's Drill prior. Concerns: intruders, bullying
- 4) *Discuss Budget Meetings & Budgeting processes*
 - LW questioning timing of Budget meetings, necessity. Currently meetings seem premature; Debbie (District) Projected Budget is due May 1st; JP inquired about projected shortfall for this year.

- 5) *Discuss and vote on increase in Part Time Classified Support position to Full Time Status (attachment #1)*
 - CM tabled
- 6) *Discuss and vote on increase in Kitchen Chef position to Full Time Status (attachment #1)*
 - CM sees improvement in kitchen (orders, manages, less waste);
 - LW presented possible scenerios; Options will be discussed with employee; tabled
- 7) *Discuss and vote on at Large Board Member assignment for tracking volunteer hours*
 - *KS-Make a motion that next school year an at large board member will be assigned to project of tracking hours or delegated to parent volunteer LW 2nd; unanimous*
 - BB offered to assist CU for the remainder of this year
- 8) *Discuss clarification of donations that are in lieu of volunteer hours.*
 - CU would like clarification on which, if any, “resources” will be counted as in lieu of volunteer hours. States confusion exists among parents.
- 9) *Discuss Financial Reserves- no discussion*
- 10) Public Comment on Agenda Items- none

Closed Session

1. Discuss Employee Contracts
 - Discussed & voted on proposal for Teachers Contracts to be presented on Mar. 6th to the teachers. KS motioned; LW 2nd ; unanimous
 - A Classroom aide currently works 35 hours; 6 year employee, with no increase for 4 years; office, classroom aide, additional functions. CM proposed establishing pay scale for these employees. Tabled.