

Vista School Board Meeting

March 27, 2024 Minutes

Location: 585 East Center, Ivins, UT 84738

Webex Link: <https://www.vistautah.com/board/board-meeting-live-stream/>

Board members present: Peter Dawson (via Webex), Alicia Maldonado, Jacqueline Powell (via Webex), Scott Smith, Michelle Walter

Others present: Michelle Andes, Terrilyn Balaszi, Dr. Justin Blasko, Troy Bradshaw, Kelly Geary, Katelynn George, Michael Hale, via Webex: Kim Bowler, Rachel Hendrickson, Lindsey, Greg Klc, Kerry Taylor

6:01 PM CALL TO ORDER: Welcome and Introductions - Michelle Walter

6:02 PM APPROVAL OF MINUTES Michelle Walter made a motion to approve the minutes for January. Alicia Maldonado seconded the motion. "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Peter Dawson, Jacqueline Powell and Scott Smith abstained. Approved unanimously.

Michelle Walter made a motion to approve the minutes for February. Alicia Maldonado seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

6:03 PM PUBLIC COMMENTS None

6:03 PM BOARD CALENDAR

Next Board Meeting - April 25th @ 6 pm

Annual Legislative Update Session - April 24th @ 5:30 to 7:30 pm, George Washington Academy

6:04 PM REPORTS

6:04 PM Director's Report - Justin Blasko

Enrollment and Lottery Update - There are 1171 students returning next year or have accepted an invitation to enroll for the 2024-25 school year. There are 75 students on the waitlist.

Academic Progress - Dr. Blasko spoke about the success of the science program, and the three new materials being reviewed for the math department.

Faculty/Staff Changes - The school is preparing for the 2024-25 school year by actively recruiting and hiring.

Upcoming and Past Event - All 5 theater students who attended the high school drama competition were selected to go to state in Drama. April 5th BYU Young Ambassadors will perform at Vista with VRS opening the show. Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat finished before Spring Break. VRS will also be performing with Foreigner at Tuacahn. Vista art students are being featured in Digby's ads. This week the school is celebrating College Week. Vista hosted 13 schools in the local Honor Orchestra.

6:23 PM Financial Report - Troy Bradshaw reported on local, state, and federal revenue and reviewed the recent profit & loss statement. The school had a recent food services audit. Due to being under budget, the school will look into new lunchroom equipment and staff.

6:40 PM Committee Reports (Finance, Audit, Governance) Director Dawson reported that the Finance Committee met and would like to propose next month to add a grant writer to the 24-25 budget.

Director Smith needs a second board member for the Audit Committee. Michelle Walter volunteered.

Director Maldonado reported on the Governance Committee.

6:45 PM DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Elections - Michelle Walter made a motion to authorize the school to run elections for seat #4. Scott Smith seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

Grant Writer Proposal - Tabled for April meeting

Grievance Policy - Alicia Maldonado made a motion to approve the grievance policy. Scott Smith seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

Health Curriculum - Dr. Blasko spoke about the process of determining the health curriculum materials, including involvement with parents, Washington County School District, and Vista school staff. Dr. Blasko recommended the board approve the materials. Scott Smith made a motion to approve the health curriculum. Michelle Walter seconded the motion. "Aye," Peter Dawson, "Aye," Alicia Maldonado, "Aye," Jacqueline Powell, "Aye," Scott Smith, "Aye," Michelle Walter. Approved unanimously.

Land Trust Budget update - Dr. Blasko spoke about the change of rules around the land trust budget, and the role of the school finance director, Troy Bradshaw, to approve the budget. He presented the 2024-25 budget.

7:04 PM COMMENTS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION TEAM None

7:10 PM Meeting adjourned by Michelle Walter.