



MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 1, 2014, 7:00 PM

Title: Board of Directors

Location: Long Beach, CA

Board Members Present: Steve Porter, Gregg Whelan, Jason Baehr, Shelly Millsap, Eric Churchill, Robin LaBarbera, James McGrath, Karyn Pace, Janet Watt

Staff Present: Carrie Noble, Jacqui Bryant, Danielle Montiel

Guests Present: Marisol Gold

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order and welcome – 7:11 by Eric Churchill
2. Report of Closed Session actions – *nothing to report*
3. Public Hearing - *no previous requests*
4. Call for additional Agenda Items/Adoption of Agenda
Eric Churchill moved to adopt the October 1 Agenda
Second: Janet Watt
Unanimously approved
Item #141024
5. Consent Agenda
Approval September 10 minutes, Item #141025ca
Eric Churchill moved to approve the Consent Agenda, inclusive of item #141025ca
Second: Shelly Millsap
Unanimously approved
Item #141025ca
6. Public testimony on agenda items – *none previously submitted*
7. Understanding our Mission (Virtue Education) – *none*
8. Chairman's Communication
Strategic Planning
Eric Churchill asked the Board to consider dates for the next phase of strategic planning. Attendance by Board members, teachers, and parents will be requested. Board members were requested to respond with their availability on the chosen dates.
9. Staff Report
Jacquie Bryant - Jacquie discussed the recent advisory training meeting. Teachers continue with professional development to develop thinking skills in their students.
Danielle Montiel – Danielle discussed the new student information database (Illuminate), and the Cross Country program underway, with a parent volunteer coach.



10. Committee Updates
 - a. Marketing/Grant writing – Gregg Whelan discussed recent meetings and interviews to identify people in the community who have a fundraising background who could assist the Board and staff with grant writing, especially. Candidates will be brought to Jacquie Bryant and Eric Churchill for further discussion. Eric Churchill suggested that a task force be initiated to discuss where future grant funds could be best used.
 - b. Policy – *none*
 - c. Finance – *nothing to discuss due to Ed Tech summer schedule*
 - d. Facilities – *nothing new to discuss*
 - e. Personnel – committee is working on updating the employee handbook, which will be discussed at the next meeting
 - f. Nominating – *none*
 - g. Curriculum – *none*
 - h. Food Service – Janet Watt shared that we are close to having healthy vending machine to solve short-term needs, at no cost to IVA. A token system will be used, and everything will be \$1.00. The first IVA school dance will be on the 10th, and the read-a-thon is planned. She added that Board members can join PTA as well.
 - i. Disciplinary Committee – *none*
11. Public comments on items in open session – *none*
12. Other Items of Communication – *none*
13. Parents' and teachers' reception

Eric asked those present to think about their educational careers, thinking of an instance that impacted you significantly, and how that impacted you long term, shaped how you think about education or the way you learn, how it was impacted by that one event. Everyone shared a story. We also read cards that students had written to teachers and board members thanking them for making IVA a great place to be. Then he asked teachers to share with board members how we can best support them, followed by an opportunity parents to share about their prior experiences with boards.
14. Call to Adjourn & Next Meeting – Eric Churchill adjourned the meeting at 8:47. The next meeting will be November 5, 2014 at the IVA office, 3601 Linden Ave. Long Beach, CA 90807

Respectfully submitted:

Board Secretary

Approved: *November 5, 2014*