

Vacaville Christian Schools

#### **Minutes**

VCS Board of Directors Meeting

## **Date and Time**

Tuesday - July 21, 2020 at 6:00 PM

# Location

VCHS College Planning Room and Zoom

## **Directors Present**

Becky Craig, J. Biard (remote), J. Dingman (remote), J. Kagin, J. Smotherman, S. Jamel

# **Directors Absent**

None

## **Directors Late**

None

# I. OPENING ITEMS

# A. Record Attendance and Guests

1. Gutema present to be interviewed for Board member position.

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

1. Becky Craig called the meeting of the board of directors of Vacaville Christian schools to order on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 6:04 PM in the VCHS college planning room.

## C. Devotion

1. Becky Craig delivered the devotion; James 1:2-4: While life is presently chaos, think of trials as tests to reveal our spiritual foundation.

D. **Prayer** led by Jason Smotherman

## II. OLD BUSINESS

A. June 16, 2020 minutes approved.

## III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Gutema present to be interviewed for Board member position.
  - 1. Generally concerns raised about candidates responses to testimony of no tithing and strength of spiritual convictions;
  - 2. A soft vote on adding Gutema had several reservations. However, it was favored and voted on to refrain from a formal vote; allow Seth to talk with him, and provide Gutema an opportunity to expound on his faith and his alignment with VCS mission.
- B. Discussion about another potential Board member that is the child of a staff person.
- C. Questions raised about rules/characteristics of potential Board members.

## D. Head of School Report

- 1. Anticipated enrollment projections maybe up to 762;
- 2. Running out of room in elementary currently;
- 3. Governor's guidance re school, in person attendance allowance
  - a. Social distancing guidelines and school practices/compliance for return of inperson attendance discussed;
  - b. Possible phases of instruction discussed; 4 options;

## **E. Finance Committee**

- 1. PPP timeline. All debt will be forgiven;
- 2. Projected cashflow: Ended July with \$1.3M in cash reserves largely due to PPP. Without that grant we would still be at \$391,000. It is estimated that even with conservative enrollment we will be in excess of \$1M cash reserves
- 3. Revenue versus expenses are reported positively;
- 4. Praise to Ben and his team for instituting careful expense watch and execution;
- 5. Current debt ratio is 1.483. We anticipate satisfying our covenant in the coming months;
- 6. Revenue is anticipated to be at or above projections;
- 7. Childcare growth limitations/impediments discussed; We do need to increase wages to satisfy retention

#### F. Academics Committee

1. Met on the 7/8/2020. Discussed standardized testing, distance learning, and accountability;

#### G. Athletics Committee

- 1. Met on 7/14/2020. Options on the table to step away from CIF, but lose eligibility to participate in championship games;
- 2. Discussed facilities and moving some outdoors;
- 3. Football lost 2 assistant coaches;
- 4. VCJF still on hold;

- 5. Cheer programs discussed
- 6. Huddle program discussed
- 7. Next meeting scheduled for 7/28/2020
- 8. Booster Club electing new officers and looking for new members
- 9. Super Delta League proposing to extricate from CIF and have a 3 mini-seasons.

# H. Board Development

1. Case-by-case basis determination on new Board members;

# I. Executive Committee

- 1. Survey response re phases of return to school;
- 2. Discontinue use of Board on Track decision made:
- 3. Ben's Performance Review discussed; very favorable strong and consistent;
  - a. Ben provided self-feedback
  - b. Discussion how Board can help Ben.

## IV. CLOSING ITEMS

## A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

John A. Biard, VHS, Secretary