

**VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025  
5:30 P.M.**

**1. OPEN GENERAL SESSION**

**Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order**

5:40 p.m.

**Procedural: 1.2 Establishment of Quorum**

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi		X
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	

**Procedural: 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance**

**Action: 1.4 Approval of the Agenda**

**Recommended Action:** This agenda has been posted within the 72 hours required by the Brown Act for a Regular Board Meeting.

Motion: Rhee		Second: Bonenberger
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**Procedural: 1.5 Public Comment**

None

**2. PARENT REPORTS**

**Reports: 2.1 School Site Council (SSC) Report by Parent/Staff Representative**

Yvette LaValle reported on behalf of the SSC. The first SSC Meeting is set for Thursday, September 4, at 5:30 p.m. It will continue its online format. There needs to be an elected new parent representative and new teacher member.

**Reports: 2.2 English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) Report by Parent/Staff Representative**

Yvette LaValle reported on behalf of the ELAC. The first ELAC Meeting is set for Tuesday, September 9, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be in-person. There will continue to be a focus on the Latino Literacy Project, Rosetta Stone for ESL for parents, Lending Library for home reading, Leappads for academic support, and translation devices for real-time translation for meetings. Anaiss Servin will provide the leadership for these meetings.

**Reports: 2.3 Family and Staff Team (F.A.S.T.) Report by Parent/Staff Representative**

Yvette LaValle reported on behalf of F.A.S.T. The Kick-Off Event occurred on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. It was well attended. Many parents expressed an interest in volunteering and being a part of F.A.S.T. Cow Chip Bingo is in place with a goal of earning \$23,000. There is an upcoming Angels Game, during which the VMCS Cheerleaders will perform.

**3. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)**

**Action (Consent): 3.1 Wednesday, June 11, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Board Meeting Minutes**

**Recommended Action:** Consent section items are for routine matters that do not require discussion or deliberation by the Board. The consent calendar permits the Board to approve multiple items by one action. All Board members have the right to remove a consent item from the consent calendar so that normal discussion and deliberation may take place.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Rhee
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**4. ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS -- MIKE ANDERSON**

**Action, Procedural: 4.1 Identification of Officers with Two Years in Current Position, Nominations, and Elections**

**Recommended Action:** Nominations will be made by the Board Members for any positions in which two years have been served. For the VMCS Board, the positions are President, Treasurer, and Secretary. In accordance with the By-Laws, there are no term limits. Once nominations have been made within the Board, Board Members will vote

on the nominee(s). The remainder of the Board Meeting will be run by the newly elected Board Officers. For 2025-2026, Robert Nelson has served two years in the role of Secretary. Bonenberger nominated Nelson to continue his serve as Board Secretary.

Motion: Bonenberger		Second: Anderson	
Roll Call			Nay
Anderson	X		
Bonenberger	X		
Farukhi	Absent		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4			
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:			

**5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER**

**Discussion, Information: 5.1 Presentation by Kirt Gilliland/Kimberly DeLuca of JLL**

The presentation was delivered by DeLuca. The following points were shared:

- Abatement was completed in basement last week.
- Close to rouging in electrical.
- Framing and drywall is in the works.
- Plumbing will be hydrojetted to determine if a replacement of pipes can be avoided.
- Exterior grading is in the works.
- The budget may exceed bond by approximately 1.5 million. Some increases from cost of tariffs. But, mostly due to change in flooring. Less expensive alternatives will be explored.
- Roofing is also 16-20 years old, and will cost \$520,000 if repairs are needed.
- Prevailing wages vs. nonprevailing wages.

**Discussion: 5.2 Possible Need to Use Reserves for Construction Cost Overage**

Need was discussed in previous item. We have 4.3 million in reserves, with 1.7 million easily accessible. 1.5 million may be needed.

**Discussion: 5.3 Ad Hoc Committee Resolution 081325**

As we continue to modernize our new school site, it is important to have two Board Members and Schroeder available to make decisions as needed between Board Meetings. It was suggested that Robert Nelson and Kyle Bonenberger continue to serve on this committee. They have been involved from the beginning and have the foundational knowledge needed.

**Discussion, Information: 5.4 VMCS Board By-Laws**

A copy was provided to the Board Members, and no changes were recommended.

**Discussion, Information: 5.5 VMCS Brown Act**

Materials were provided to te Board Members.

**Information: 5.6 VMCS Board Calendar**

A copy of the Board Calendar was provided to the Board Members. This was approved at the end of the previous school year.

**Discussion, Information: 5.7 Updated Wellness Policy**

A new section related to Title IX had to be added to the Wellness Policy. The remainder of the Wellness Policy was unchanged.

**6. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN**

**Information: 6.1 Enrollment for 2025-2026**

Combination classes were put in place to maximize enrollment based on the waiting lists. This resulted in the following classes. Even with this reconfiguration, the enrollment goal will most likely not be met, with a shortage of 32-50. Many of the Interst Forms were cold.

- 3 TK
- 2 K
- 1 1st
- 1 1st/2nd
- 1 2nd
- 1 3rd
- 1 3rd/4th
- 1 4th
- 1 5th
- 1 6th

**Information: 6.2 Waiting List for 2025-2026**

This needs to be determined after the dust has settled.

**Discussion, Information: 6.3 CharterSAFE Application for Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure**

Nguyen discussed the need to switch from Employers to CharterSAFE for Workers Compensation.

**Information: 6.4 Title III Final Funding and Plan**

Nguyen reviewed the need to be part of a consortium because of the small number of English Learners we serve. We will continue with an agreement with Pathways to Colleege, which will permit us to reeive Title III funds.

**Information: 6.5 Additional Contracts**

No additional contracts were presented.

**7. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM**

**Reports: 7.1 May and June 2025 Financials**

Kim presented from a PowerPoint the financials for May and June 2025. Financials continue to look strong, but with an acknowledgement that there will be construction costs that will tap into the reserve.

**Information, Reports: 7.2 Financial Update -- State and Federal**

Federal funds have been unfrozen. Because of the time of year, many funds have not been received yet, which results in a smaller balance in the bank account.

**8. ACTION ITEMS**

**Action: 8.1 Approval of the Use of Reserves for Construction Overages**

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the use of reserves in the amount of \$1.5 million for potential costs that exceed the bond.

**RATIONALE:** It is prudent to be anticipatory when it comes to construction costs so funds can be set aside and used to respond to ongoing demands.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Anderson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**Action: 8.2 Approval of Ad Hoc Committee Resolution 081325**

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the Ad Hoc Committee Resolution 081325 to ensure timely decisions for the new site's modernization.

**RATIONALE:** During the 2025-2026 school year, many quick decisions will need to be made regarding the modernization of the new school site. It could delay the process or require ongoing Special Board Meetings without the support of an Ad Hoc Committee empowered to make some of the decisions.

Motion: Anderson		Second: Nelson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**Action: 8.3 Approval of the VMCS Wellness Policy**

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the VMCS Wellness policy.

**RATIONALE:** We required to review the Wellness Policy annually, as well as provide it to our meal vendor and post it on our webpage.

Motion: Bonenberger		Second: Nelson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**Action: 8.4 Approval of the Application for Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure as a Public Agency Employer Self-Insurer**

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the submission of the Application.

**RATIONALE:** This is a requirement of CharterSAFE as we transition to their services for Workers Compensation.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Anderson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**Action: 8.5 Approval of Title III Documents**

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the Title III application documents.

**RATIONALE:** Approval of the Title III application process provides access to funds to support our English Learners.

Motion: Nelson		Second: Anderson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		

**9. BOARD COMMENTS**

**Procedural: 9.1 General Comments**

Based on an email from Bonenberger, there was a discussion of how we can increase security at the temporary site. Some of what is in place was shared. More will be discussed.

**Information: 9.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 10, 2025**

**10. BOARD ADJOURNMENT**

**Procedural: 10.1 Board Adjournment: 7:37 p.m.**

Motion: Nelson		Second: Anderson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	X	
Farukhi	Absent	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes – Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass – Vote:		