

VMCS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
412 W. Carl Karcher Way
Anaheim, CA 92801

Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

1. OPEN SESSION

Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order

5:38 p.m.

Procedural: 1.2 Establishment of Quorum

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

Procedural: 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance

Led by two VMCS scholars.

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: Nelson		Second: Anderson	
Roll Call			Nay
Anderson	X		
Bonenberger	Absent		
Farukhi	Late		
Nelson	X		
Rhee	X		
Item Passes – Vote: 3/3			
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

No Meeting

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

The meeting is scheduled for next week.

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

Upcoming events include the Talent Show, Class Act Bravo Assembly, Color Run/Lunch with a Loved One, Grade 4 overnight two-day field trip to Riley's Farm, and Grade 6 overnight three-day field trip to AstroCamp. The end of the school year is rapidly approaching, and there are many May and June events on the calendar, including the TK Bridge Ceremony, Kindergarten Celebration, and Grade 6 Promotion.

3. CONSENT (ONE VOTE)

Action (Consent): 3.1 Regular Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, March 19, 2025, 5:30 p.m., and Special Board Meeting Minutes for Thursday, April 10, 2025, 8:00 a.m.

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

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT -- DEBRA J. SCHROEDER

Discussion, Information: 4.1 Presentation by Will Fossel of HilltopSecurities

Will Fossel presented via Zoom on behalf of HilltopSecurities using a slide deck. He informed the Board that there will be a determination of who elects to invest in our Bonds at 9:00 a.m. on April 17, 2025. He provided an overview of the current market volatility due to trade wars, China and U.S. debt ratio, and overall market insecurity. It is a challenging time to go to market. The interest rate is predicted to be approximately 6.5% to 7.5%. More information will be available after tomorrow's process unfolds.

Discussion, Information: 4.2 Presentation by Kirt Gilliland/Kimberly DeLuca of JLL

Kimmie DeLuca presented on behalf of JLL. There has been back and forth dialogues regarding the attainment of the building permit. The lift/elevator controversy continues. Both Sarah Kollman and Sandi Miles have presented information to Scott Beery to support the lift solution, as well as contesting other City of Anaheim corrections regarding accessibility. It is possible to pull the demolition permit prior to the building permit. The property and Bond should both close tomorrow (April 17, 2025). We are still working to firm the parking arrangement, as well as technology plans, fire alarm and security systems, cameras, etc.

Discussion, Information: 4.3 Contract with AUHSD as Meal Vendor for 2025-2026 School Year

Although we may want to transition from AUHSD as our meal provider in the future, it is recommended that we continue our contract with them for at least one more school year.

Discussion, Information: 4.4 LCAP Input

The Board was provided with an opportunity to provide input regarding the revision of the LCAP, which is a three-year document that was first approved at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. The Public Hearing will occur at the next Board Meeting on May 14, 2025, and the Approval will be voted upon on June 11, 2025.

Discussion, Information: 4.5 Form 700 and Conflict of Interest

This is an annual requirement that corresponds to the calendar year as opposed to the school year. Board Members walked through the requirements of the paper work.

5. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR REPORT -- CHAMMARRA NGUYEN

Information: 5.1 Current Enrollment

The current enrollment remains stable with the following numbers:

- TK -- 24
- K -- 30
- 1 -- 32
- 2 -- 32
- 3 -- 32
- 4 -- 33
- 5 -- 32
- 6 -- 32

Information: 5.2 Current New Enrollee/Waiting List

Chammarra also shared the current New Enrollee and Waiting List numbers.

Information: 5.3 Plan for Extended Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP)

The ELOP is rewritten every three years. This is the year for the rewrite, although it needs to be a transitional approach as we move to our temporary facility for the 2025-2026 school year and our permanent facility for the 2026-2027 school year. We are completing our 2024-2025 school year with 10 days in June and two Saturdays to meet the required 30 days. We will complete 25 of the required 30 days for 2025-2026 Summer Academy from July 7-August 8, 2025. The remaining five days are slated to be scheduled for the third week of the Winter Break from January 5-9, 2026. For the July-August offering, we have contracted the services of the YMCA since it was our plan to be focused on moving during this time.

Information: 5.4 Threat Assessment Procedure

The Threat Assessment Procedure includes threats or violence against others and/or the school. Additionally, it provides support to scholars who may do harm to self. This documents provided the steps that are needed in the Threat Assessment Procedure for VMCS.

Information: 5.5 Contracts for Instructional Staff (i.e., Teachers, TOSAs, and Coordinator)

The newly revised employee contracts were vetted with the YM@C Legal Team.

Information: 5.6 Staff Handbook

6. ICON SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPORT -- ROY KIM

Reports: 6.1 February 2025 Financials

Kim presented the VMCS Financial Report, which was provided through a PowerPoint Presentation.

7. ACTION ITEMS

Action: 7.1 Approval of AUHSD Agreement Regarding Meal Program for 2025-2026

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the agreement with AUHSD as our meal provider for 2025-2026.

RATIONALE: With the various transitions we are making as a school in terms of facilities, it makes sense to stay the course with the current meal program.

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

Action: 7.2 Approval of Plan for Extended Learning Opportunity Program (ELOP)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the plan for ELOP, which is a requirement to receive the ELOP funds.

RATIONALE: While the plan for ELOP is considered to be a three-year plan, we have developed a plan with the understanding it may need to be substantively modified as we transition to our temporary site and then our permanent site.

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

Action: 7.3 Approval of Risk Assessment Procedure

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the proposed Risk Assessment Procedure to effectively support scholars who communicate harm to self or others.

RATIONALE: It is an expectation that schools and districts have a Threat Assessment Procedure in place to set clear guidelines when a scholar expresses an intent to do harm to self or others.

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

Action: 7.4 Approval of Contracts for Certificated Instructional Staff

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the contracts for 13 Teachers, 5 TOSAs, and 1 Coordinator.

RATIONALE: The contracts were vetted by YM&C to ensure the appropriate modifications were made.

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

Action: 7.5 Approval of 2025-2026 Staff Handbook

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the VMCS Board approves the 2025-2026 Staff Handbook.

RATIONALE: The Staff Handbook was vetted by YM&C to ensure the appropriate modifications were made based on new State and Federal rules and regulations.

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

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Procedural: 8.1 General Comments

Anderson mentioned the recognition of Schroeder for Woman of the Year.

Information: 8.2 Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 14, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be in-person.

9. BOARD ADJOURNMENT

Procedural: 9.1 Board Adjournment: 6:54 p.m.

Motion: Rhee		Second: Anderson
Roll Call		Nay
Anderson	X	
Bonenberger	Absent	

Farukhi	X	
Nelson	X	
Rhee	X	
Item Passes - Vote: 4/4		
Item Does Not Pass - Vote:		