

VIBRANT MINDS SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 5:30 p.m.
1450 E La Palma Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92805
(The meeting was held via a teleconference session.)

MINUTES

I. Call to Order: 5:34 p.m.

- A. Introduction and Roll Call: Debbie Schroeder, Yvette LaValle, Katie Hallum, Ivette Ramos, Natalie Miranda, Diana Lujan
Attendees after Roll Call: Larissa Mino
- B. Additional Attendees: Diana Ortiz, Jessical Quiaoit
- C. Adoption of Agenda:
Motion to accept agenda: Yvette LaValle Second: Katie Hallum Vote: 7/7
- E. Approval/Correction of Minutes from the May 1, 2025, Regular Meeting
-There were no corrections needed.

II. No public speakers spoke at the meeting.

III. Updates from SSC Chairperson - Ivette Ramos

- A. Welcome to the new teacher member, Natalie Miranda: Ms. Miranda will be serving the second of the 2 year term for Mr. Bui. We are excited to have her and her classroom experience.
- B. Replacement of Parent Position on SSC, Lorena Santana :
 - a. SSC Bylaws Article II, Section 5 – Vacancy- Vacancies on the SSC will be filled by the council itself. A vacancy in either of the two subdivisions: parent or school personnel, will be filled by a majority vote of that subdivision in which the vacancy occurs. Yvette shared she would like to consider the nomination of a VMCS parent family,
- C. Assigning SSC members to the Board Meetings: Oct 8, will be attended by Ivy Ramos, Nov 12, Katie Hallum and Dec 10, will be attended by Diana Lujan. The following dates will be discussed at a later meeting: Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 11, April 8, and May 13

IV. Updates from ELAC – Anaiss Servin

A. Yvette LaValle shared that Anaiss Servin will be conducting a meeting on Tuesday, September 9th. She, with community School funding was able to purchase a translation tool/headset and a lending library that will be made available for our ELL families. We are also considering having Rosetta Stone available for English language development for our parents.

V. Updates from Director of Vibrant Minds Charter School – Debra Schroeder

A. Community School Update - Yvette shared that we were awarded the 1.187 million dollar grant for the next 5 years. This was a huge surprise. We were denied earlier in the year and were presented the grant over the summer through an appeal process. The plan that was written will make some significant shifts to assist our current issues in our younger grades for social emotional support.

B. Building Update - Dr. Schroeder shared that we are over budget on the 13 million bond that were given. We did not anticipate the plumbing issue that was uncovered in construction and the air conditioning bid was over the expected projection. We will need to utilize our reserves to be able to finish the project.

C. Dress Code Update - Yvette was happy to share that the amount of missing/displaced objects is at a fraction of the past two years.

D. Feedback for the first 3 weeks - Dr. Schroeder requested feedback from the members on the progress/improvement needs for the first few weeks of school. Ivy shared that we will need to have a better process for the parents that choose to walk their scholars to the picnic area. They are crossing the area where many parents are driving away from the drop off area. We will be observing how to best serve this safety issue and share this new practice with the team that helps scholars in the morning. Katie suggested a barrier to help scholars not get close to the cars at pick up. Larissa shared that we had a parent try to exit the entry area. She suggested that we label the area to help parents with the correct direction. Jessica Quioait shared the issues she witnessed in the area of safety and the open gates. Yvette shared that the church leadership and the VMCS team are working closely to be able to have the safety issues addressed by having access to the many campus cameras in the office. Also, we will be purchasing a camera for the front door and the sliding gates.

VI. Updates from Members

A. SSC Representative Report from the VMCS Board Meeting, May 14, 2025 - Yvette LaValle shared that the meeting was brief. They covered the Enrollment, wait list, they were also visited by the company that is the Overseer to give a report on the current status of our new building, this meeting was the official LCAP public forum and Icon School management, Roy Kim gave the financial report for the month

B. SSC Member Assigned to Represent/Report at the VMCS Board Meeting for September 10, 2025 - Yvette LaValle

VII. Action Calendar

A. Motion to nominate Diana Ortiz for parent representative for SSC:

Yvette LaValle Second: Katie Hallum Vote: 7/7

VIII. Council Discussion:

A. Ivette suggested that we ask parents for donations to contribute to certain project. Yvette that shared FAST will be rolling out a project once we know what projects will not be covered in the bonds. This will probably be either the LED screen for this area or the hardwood floor for the multi-purpose room.

IX. Future Agenda Plans:

A. The Community School report will be a continued report each month.

B. Dr. Schroeder suggested that we revisit the safety measures that were taken in our report for October.

X. Adjournment: 6:45pm