

MINUTES
Ball Charter Schools (Val Vista) Governing Board Meeting
Monday, November 5, 2018

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by John Huppenthal at 6:04 p.m. on November 5, 2018 in Room 23 at Dobson Academy, 2207 N. Dobson Road, Chandler, AZ 85224.

2. **Roll Call**

Present:

Michael Larrabee, Governing Board President
Mike Dyer, Governing Board Vice-President
John Huppenthal, Governing Board Member
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Governing Board Secretary

Others Present:

Michael Sobieski, Dobson Governing Board Secretary
Natalie McKenney, Dobson Governing Board
Tara Yesenski, Dobson Governing Board
Connie Johnston, Board Coordinator
Annie Gilbert, BCS Director of Finance
Parker Galope, BCS Director of Student Services
Dawne Winn, Dobson Principal
Gaye Leo, Hearn Principal
Deb Baca, Val Vista Principal
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Board Candidate
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Board Candidate

Absent:

Marcus Harrison, Hearn Governing Board Secretary

3. **Approval of Agenda** - Motion by Michael Larrabee to approve the agenda. Second by Mike Dyer. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, J. Huppenthal, K. Gagnon). Motion carried.

4. **Call to the Public** – Devin Grigg, Val Vista parent and former school principal, was present and introduced by Deb to the Board.

5. **Val Vista Consent Agenda Items:**

5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes – Regular Board Meetings of October 1, 2018, Executive Committee Meeting of October 31, 2018

5.2 Enrollment/Attendance Update – Val Vista 302 (320)

5.3 Personnel Items – None

Motion by Michael Larrabee to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Mike Dyer. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, J. Huppenthal, K. Gagnon). Agenda approved.

6. **Val Vista Principal Monthly Report**

6.1 Fall Survey results for Val Vista

Deb reported over 140 hours of parent volunteer support at their Fall Festival & Boutique held Saturday, November 3. It was a big success and well attended. Special thanks to the MC, DJ, and staff and parent volunteers. They went from \$12 profit last year to \$3,000. Mike Dyer attended and said it was a really great time. He encouraged Board members to try and participate and really see these events first hand. This is why we are here.

Open enrollment started today. Val Vista is pushing a parent referral program. The marquis has been updated at the school. Elegant enrollment invitations will go out to parents Friday and will also be available in the front office and passed out at car line.

Val Vista is conducting a Boots in the House campaign for providing care packages for overseas military. The Girls Volleyball team were State runners up. The Boys Cross Country team placed 4th in the state. As featured in the packet, Val Vista received an awesome donated scoreboard. Thanks to parent volunteers, it was installed at a minimal cost.

Two Val Vista teachers each received a Fiesta Bowl grant award of \$5,000. Monies will be used for STEM supplies and the other for a sensory room. They are continuing the momentum of a Virtues and Quotes program, and an easy-to-read banner is up on Facebook page.

The Facilities work and improvement helped Val Vista come out with an outstanding rating for cleanliness in the Fall Survey. A huge jump!

Deb reported on the new AZ Science Standards, which Cheryl Hogan shared with other principals. The new model for science will feature a different approach and be more inquiry based.

7. BCS Director of Student Support Services Monthly Report

7.1 Updated Policies for Special Education – Reported at Dobson Board meeting. No new report.

8. BCS Director of Finance Monthly Report

8.1 Monthly Dashboards and Year-to-Date Financials - Reported out in Dobson meeting.

8.2 Annual Financial Report submitted to ADE

8.3 Fall Survey Results Summary and Comparative Analysis

Annie distributed a BCS Consolidated Monthly Dashboard at the Dobson meeting which included Proposed Transparency Changes so the Board would be aware of proposed changes before the Legislative session, one of which included annual Board training and Board membership structure.

9. Review and Discussion of Fall Parent/Employee Survey Results - No new report.

10. School Performance Metrics – Education on how A – F is calculated – No new report.

11. Planning and Development Committee Report – No additional report.

11.1 Fall Work Session Recap

11.2 Board Efficiency Tools

11.3 Action Item: Establishing a Curriculum Committee consisting of a senior teacher from each school and interested Board members. Mike Sobieski, with able assistance from John Huppenthal will lead the Committee. (Note: Discussion on this item was moved to the Val Vista meeting.)

12. Digital Learning Committee Report – No additional report.

13. Discussion and Possible Action Item: Approval of the adopted Val Vista written special education policies and procedures as set forth in the most current version of the Arizona Department of Education's Policy & Procedure Checklist, including the procedures and requirements applicable to charter schools under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Individuals with disabilities Education Act (IDEA), A.R.S. § 15-761. Et seq., and A.A.C. § R7-2-401, et seq.

Motion to approve by Mike Dyer. Second by Michael Larrabee. All in favor. (M. Dyer, M. Larrabee, J. Huppenthal, K. Gagnon). Motion carried. Document revision approved.

14. Future Agenda Items: No additional items.

Deb was asked to provide a quick update on the Val Vista easement and request by Town of Gilbert. It is being worked on, and the Town plans to pay for the use of the small easement section to provide construction access. Mike Dyer indicated payment is formula-based. He suggested putting restrictions on time and usage.

15. Adjournment

Motion made by Mike Dyer to adjourn. Second by Michael Larrabee. All in favor. (M. Dyer, M. Larrabee, J. Huppenthal, K. Gagnon). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

The next BCS (Val Vista) Board Meeting is December 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Val Vista Academy.

Approved by Ball Charter Schools (Val Vista) Governing Board

Board President

Date