

**MINUTES**  
**Ball Charter Schools (Val Vista) Governing Board Meeting**  
**Monday, March 2, 2020**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by John Huppenthal at 8:20 p.m. on March 2, 2020 in the Multipurpose Room at Hearn Academy, 17606 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85023.

2. **Roll Call**

Present:

John Huppenthal, Governing Board President  
Mike Sobieski, Governing Board Vice President  
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Governing Board Secretary  
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Governing Board

Others Present:

Tara Yesenski, Dobson Governing Board Secretary  
Mike Dyer, Dobson Governing Board  
Michael Larrabee, Hearn Governing Board  
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Governing Board  
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Governing Board Secretary  
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Governing Board  
Dawne Winn, Dobson Principal  
Gaye Leo, Hearn Principal  
Debra Baca, Val Vista Principal  
Parker Galope, Director of Student Support Services (by Phone)

Absent:

Natalie McKenney, Dobson Governing Board  
Marcus Harrison, Hearn Governing Board Secretary  
Rhonda Donnelly, Val Vista Governing Board  
Annie Gilbert, Sr. Director of Finance and Operations

3. **Approval of Agenda – John Huppenthal**

Motion by Devin Grigg to approve the agenda of the Ball Charter Schools (Val Vista) Regular Board Meeting. Karah Gagnon Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, K. Gagnon, D. Grigg). Motion carried.

4. **Call to the Public:** No members of the public were present.

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

6. **Previous Meeting Minutes – Regular Board Meeting of February 10, and Executive Committees of February 26, 2020.**

- 6.1 Enrollment/Attendance Update – Val Vista 311 (328)

- 6.2 Personnel Items - None

Motion by Karah Gagnon to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Devin Grigg Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, K. Gagnon, D. Grigg). Consent Agenda approved.

7. **Val Vista Principal Monthly Report – Debra Baca**

Deb reported the Viper cheerleaders won the State Cheer Championship! Congratulations! With Annie's support and training, she is working on financial impact documents for Title I and II. They will meet on Wednesday to continue to work on. The Viper Ninja Warrior day raised over \$36,000. They will net @\$28,000 and families had been told the money raised would go toward improved security on campus. Deb had received results from a Val Vista staffing survey and was very pleased that several reported as "having their dream job" at Val Vista.

Karah had a follow up question regarding Staffing Agreements, and it was reported they had already been

distributed.

**8. State \BCS Director of Student Support Services Monthly Report – Parker Galope**

Parker reported at the Hearn Governing Board meeting. There was nothing to add.

**9. Senior Director of Finance and Operations Monthly Report – Annie Gilbert**

**9.1** Finance Director Report Summary – March 2020

**9.2** Ball Dashboard – FY20 through January

- Dobson Dashboard
- Hearn Dashboard
- Val Vista Dashboard

**9.3** BCS Consolidated Balance Sheet at 1-31-2020

**9.4** BCS Consolidated Income Statement at 1-31-2020

**9.5** Tax Credit History

Annie's reports were included in the Governing Board packet.

**10. Planning and Development Committee Report – Karah Gagnon**

**10.1** Spring Work Session – June 3, 2020

**10.2** BCS Educator 2020 Kickoff

**10.3** Committee Chair Transition to Karah Gagnon

Karah presented the report at the Hearn Governing Board meeting. There was nothing additional to report.

**11. Digital Learning Committee Report – Parker Galope**

Parker presented the report at the Hearn Governing Board meeting. There was nothing additional to report.

**12. Curriculum and Systems Committee Report – Mike Sobieski**

Mike presented the report at the Hearn Governing Board meeting. There was nothing additional to report.

**13. Academic Excellence Report: Discussion of Intervention/Acceleration Opportunities (Summer School Plans, etc.)**

The principals reported on summer school plans (if any) at the Hearn Governing Board meeting.

**14. Discussion and Possible Action item: Security Expenditures**

Val Vista wants to put in cameras and security doors with key fobs like Dobson, which will run @\$2,000-\$4,000. Rhonda has the quotes. Deb is requesting the Board grant permission to spend the monies raised from the Viper Ninja Warrior day as well as what was budgeted to beef up campus security and safety.

Discussion followed and Val Vista was asked to set up the security considerations (cameras, backups, proper night vision, Wi-Fi bandwidth, storage, infrastructure required, and remote access for principals) in a way that all three principals be on board and comfortable using as a blueprint system and building upon.

Karah Gagnon made motion to approve as long as Rhonda Donnelly fully supports suggested parameters. Devin Grigg Second. All approved. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, K. Gagnon, Devin Grigg). Motion carried.

**15. Action Item:** Potential of Coronavirus Challenges for Schools

Topic was discussed and it was suggested Annie draft a letter from the Board to the BCS community.

**16. Future Agenda Items – *John Huppenthal***

No additional items were noted.

**17. Adjournment – *John Huppenthal***

Motion by Karah Gagnon to adjourn. Devin Grigg Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, K. Gagnon, D. Grigg). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

The next BCS (Val Vista) Board Meeting is scheduled for April 13, at 6:30 p.m. at Dobson Academy.

Approved by Ball Charter Schools (Val Vista) Governing Board

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Board President

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Date