



Da Vinci Schools

Minutes

Da Vinci Schools Special Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday April 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Location

Zoom

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Trustees Present

B. Meath (remote), D. Boston (remote), D. Brann (remote), J. Morgan (remote), J. Webber (remote), R. Ochoa (remote)

Trustees Absent

R. Santiago

Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened

B. Meath

Guests Present

A. Wohlwerth (remote), B. Silvers (remote), C. Levenson (remote), J. Hawn (remote), M. Amato (remote), M. Wunder (remote), S. Wallis (remote), V. Bravo (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Brann called a meeting of the board of trustees of Da Vinci Schools to order on Monday Apr 18, 2022 at 6:01 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Special Board Action - Approve and Adopt Board Resolution for Teleconference Board Meetings Pursuant to Special Rules in Government Code Section 54953(e)

J. Morgan made a motion to approve.
J. Webber seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

R. Santiago Absent
J. Morgan Aye
R. Ochoa Aye
D. Boston Aye
D. Brann Aye
B. Meath Absent
J. Webber Aye

D. Approval of Agenda

J. Morgan made a motion to approve.

J. Webber seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Meath Absent
D. Boston Aye
R. Ochoa Aye
J. Webber Aye
J. Morgan Aye
D. Brann Aye
R. Santiago Absent

E. Public Comments

None

II. Information

A. From the Board

Mr. Boston commented that there has been much discussion regarding facilities, and he would like to add a wish list of academic items, including adding languages to the curriculum. He suggested that French offered for 9th grade students could be expanded through the grade levels as those students progress.

Dr. Brann supports Mr. Boston's desire to focus on academics.

Dr. Webber commented that her 10th grade daughter had taken a college-level French course with El Camino College. She thinks it could be a good option.

Dr. Boston would like to see in-person, in-school courses at Da Vinci, although the El Camino option could be a good way to start the program before bringing on in-house teachers.

Mr. Ochoa thanked Mr. Bravo for showing him around at the robotics competition.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Revised CTE Studio Project Plan and Budget

Mr. Wallis first noted that SVA Architects has been working without a contract, due to the delay and time crunch. Wiseburn's legal counsel has reviewed the contract.

Regarding the revised CTE Studio plan, there will now be three project phases: the hangar project, the reconstruction of the basketball courts, and the shop buildings. This phased approach will allow the project to begin while further funding is sought. The second and third phases will be started once funding is acquired.

Dr. Brann supported the phased approach.

Mr. Bravo commented that Da Vinci has been fortunate to work with SVA, which has provided a solution that physically and fiscally works. There is no conflict with the soccer field project; the soil testing for both projects can be done at the same time, saving money.

Dr. Brann asked Ms. Levenson if it is possible to acquire another CTE grant for the other phases. Ms. Levenson noted that a scope change would have to be submitted to the State, and if the scope was reduced to the hangar, a second submission could be created for the shop buildings.

Dr. Webber asked Mr. Wallis if there would be no basketball courts remaining if the project is paused after Phase One. Mr. Wallis showed the diagram of the proposed phases, explaining that one court would remain after the hangar is built, and the second phase would add/replace the second court. He added that currently during lunch, students frequently play basketball on one court, and soccer or Frisbee on the second court. With the addition of the soccer field, the students would have space for soccer and Frisbee.

B. Meath made a motion to approve the Revised CTE Studio Project Plan and Budget.

J. Webber seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

R. Ochoa Aye

B. Meath Aye

J. Morgan Aye

D. Boston Aye

D. Brann Aye

R. Santiago Absent

J. Webber Aye

B. Meath arrived at 6:08 PM.

B. Approve Final Contract with SVA Architects

Mr. Wallis explained that SVA Architects has been working without a contract, and that no time has been lost in that regard; however, SVA now needs to pay subcontractors, and therefore needs a contract in place.

Mr. Meath inquired if the Wiseburn Board will vote on the same items. Mr. Wallis replied affirmatively that he has been in contact with Dr. Silvers, and the Wiseburn board will see the same items for approval on their agenda on Wednesday, April 20, 2022.

B. Meath made a motion to approve the Final Contract with SVA Architects.

J. Morgan seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

D. Brann Aye

D. Boston Aye

B. Meath Aye

J. Webber Aye

R. Ochoa Aye

R. Santiago Absent

J. Morgan Aye

IV. Closed Session

A. Conference with Legal Counsel

Dr. Brann stated that a Closed Session was not required.

V. Closing Items

A.

Reconvene for Public Session & Closed Session Reporting

Closed session not held.

B. Adjourn Meeting

D. Boston made a motion to adjourn.

J. Morgan seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Meath Aye

J. Webber Aye

R. Ochoa Aye

D. Boston Aye

R. Santiago Absent

D. Brann Aye

J. Morgan Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Wohlwerth

Next Regular Board Meeting: April 27, 2022