

Valley Arts Academy Public Meeting Agenda
9/21/2010, 7:30pm

1. Welcome and call to order (7:30)
2. Review and accept minutes from the previous meeting, recite the school's mission statement (7:30-7:35)
3. Unfinished business:
 - a. Discussion of Vision Statement- by Megan Gatlin (7:35-7:45)
 - b. Discussion of grade level options with some demographic information- by Steve Goodman (7:45-8:05)
4. New business:
 - a. Review and accept revisions made to charter (8:05-8:20)
 - b. Review land options, ask questions (size of land, parking, what type of construction) - Highmark (8:20-8:35)
 - c. Discussion of Robert's Rules of Order (8:35-8:40)
 - d. Any nominations for new board members? (8:40-8:45)
 - e. Time and place for next meeting
 - f. Any other?
5. Adjourn

Valley Arts Academy Public Meeting Notes
9/21/2010, 7:30pm at Hurricane City Office

In Attendance: Alisha Terry, Cory Martin, Lane Blackmore, Judy Blackmore, Steve Goodman, Derek Lewis, Amanda Lewis, Chloe Lewis, Danica Spencer, Tonya Heyder, Megan Gatlin, Jeff Skousen, Gaylene Knoke, Trent Seegmiller, Gail Faumui, Siota Faumui, Dawn Martin(by phone).

1. Welcome and call to order- 7:30
2. Minutes from previous meeting accepted as written. Motion by Lane Blackmore, second by Derek Lewis- all members in favor.
3. Mission statement read by Tonya Heyder. “The mission of Valley Arts Academy is to provide a superior, character building, academic program enhanced by integrated training in the fine and performing arts with a technologically advanced curriculum.”
4. Discussion of vision statement- Megan Gatlin made a revision. Discussion to remove the statement about environmental awareness. The following is the updated statement.

Valley Arts Academy provides the opportunity for excellence in academics and the arts. Through the use of a digital curriculum, students will enhance their knowledge of technology. School uniforms give students a sense of safety and belonging, while faculty provides an atmosphere of learning that encourages individuality and lateral thinking. Students can further develop their talents by participating in before and after school programs. Valley Arts Academy is committed to the success of each student and the long-term viability of the school.

5. Steve Goodman brought demographic information to show viability of a student body of 550 instead of 450. Steve presented possible plans for dividing students into grade levels, growing the 7th and 8th grades while still keeping the student body at 550. Other schools in the area have a hard time filling 7th and 8th grades, so it may not be realistic to plan to fill those grades in the first year. The following shows a possible breakdown of grade levels. It will ultimately be driven by enrollment.

	GRADES AND SPECIFIC NUMBER OF STUDENTS SERVED BY GRADE													TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS (Enrollment cap)
Year 1	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	0	0					550
Year 2	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
	74	71	71	71	71	71	71	50	0					550
Year 3	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
	64	64	64	64	64	64	64	50	50					550

Ultimate Enrollment	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61					550
<i>(The number of students should be at maximum the enrollment that is being requested. Insert as many rows as needed to accurately reflect the school's growth model.)</i>														

6. Complete revisions have not been finalized. A copy of the final revisions to the charter application with a change log will be emailed to everyone within the next couple of days.
7. Jeff Skousen from Highmark provided information on the two pieces of property currently being looked at for school sites. Rand Lemmon took Jeff to visit these two sites today. Discussion of how many acres will be needed...10-14. Highmark is waiting for some more definite direction from the state charter staff before purchasing the property. Possibility of tying up the property for 90 days and putting up a sign that directs people to the school's website. Discussion of marketing and creating an interest list for enrollment. Megan Gatlin volunteered to head the marketing committee. Derek Lewis will work with Jeff on the website. Jeff says that all plans for construction will be brought to the board for approval prior to implementation.
8. Gaylene Knoke had some questions about utilizing Robert's Rules of Order more effectively during our meetings. A summary of Robert's Rules was sent by email to the board members and will be resent for clarification.
9. Trent Seegmiller presented an amendment to our current Articles of Incorporation that will be in accordance with what the state charter board is asking for in our application. Motion to accept the amendment by Gaylene Knoke, all members in favor.
10. There are no current nominations for new board members. The board is currently seeking one member to bring the number of members to 7. Three applications for board membership were turned in.
11. Next meeting to be held on October 19, 2010 at 7:30pm at Hurricane City Offices.
12. Lane Blackmore made a motion to adjourn at 8:50. All members in favor.

Please see attachments below.

Valley Enrollment Projections

Assumptions

Total Valley Enrollment	550
Students per class	25

Schools in Area		Approx. Enroll before Valley	# of Students Trsfrd to Valley	% of Students Trsfrd to Valley	% of Valley Enrollment
Schools within 5 miles					
Hurricane Elementary	1	595	107	18.0%	60%
Three Falls Elementary	1	617	111	18.0%	
Coral Canyon Elementary	1	617	111	18.0%	
Total Students	3	1829	329		
Ave Number to Valley/School Number/Classroom/School			110 5		
Schools within 10 miles					
La Verkin Elementary	1	505	25	5.0%	30%
Washington Elementary	1	466	23	5.0%	
Horizon Elementary	1	631	32	5.0%	
Sandstone Elementary	1	603	30	5.0%	
Panorama Elementary	1	477	24	5.0%	
Riverside Elementary	1	661	33	5.0%	
Total Students	6	3343	167		
Ave Number to Valley/School Number/Classroom/School			28 1		
Schools 10 miles +					
St. George East Elementary	1	520	5	1%	3%
Little Valley Elementary	1	666	7	1%	
St. George West Elementary	1	547	5	1%	
Springdale Elementary	1	40	1	1%	
Total Students	4	1186	18		
Ave Number to Valley/School Number/Classroom/School			4 0.4		
Addition of Kindergarten					
Students			50		9.1%
Total Projected Enrollment			564		