

**VGHS Governing Council Meeting Minutes**  
**August 18, 2026**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at **5:15pm**. The meeting took place in person, via Zoom platform: <https://zoom.us/j/7975088493> and by telephone: +1-669-900-6833 **Meeting ID 7975088493#**

**Roll Call:** Members present *in person*—Julie Turner, Harold Cordova, and Shona Mares-Bond. Mark Goldman joined the meeting at 5:33pm. **Absent:** Colleen Shaughnessy.

**Approval of Agenda 08/18/26:** **Motion** to approve the agenda by S. Mares-Bond. 2<sup>nd</sup> by H Cordova. Vote to approve: Julie Turner, Harold Cordova, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

**Approval of Minutes from 07/21/26:** **Motion** to approve minutes by S. Mares-Bond. 2<sup>nd</sup> by H Cordova. Vote to approve: Julie Turner, Harold Cordova, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

**Public Comment:** No public comment.

**Discussion and Possible Action: Designation of new board member (Opal McCarthy)** **Motion** to vote new board member, Opal McCarthy to the VGHS Governing Board by S. Mares-Bond. 2<sup>nd</sup> by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Julie Turner, Harold Cordova, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

**Staff Report:** Lynn Brashar is our SPED Director at VGHS. She reported what each of our teachers are working on this month.

**Student Report:** No student report.

**Report from Finance Director:** Please find the financial reports attached for review. Final reporting has been completed for FY26 and the second quarter of the calendar year. (941, SUTA, WC, and PED Reporting - Actuals/Cash Report). The FY26 audit is in progress. We are also busy getting our FY27 started.

- a. **BARS for Approval:** No BARS presented at this meeting.
- b. **Finance Report Acceptance:** **Motion** to accept the unaudited financial reports as presented by the Finance Director by S. Mares-Bond. 2<sup>nd</sup> by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Julie Turner, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares Bond, Opal McCarthy, and Mark Goldman. Against: None. Motion approved.
- c. **Finance Committee Meeting:** Finance Committee met prior to the meeting and discussed several of the expenditures within the budget.

**Indicators of Success Program FY26-27:** President Turner updated the board on this program.

**Strategic Planning Subcommittee Report:** Director Smith updated the board on the meeting that was held on Aug 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 1pm here at VGHS. Many of our community partners attended the meeting.

**Director Report:** Director Smith reported to the board on the following subjects:

- a. **Charter Goals Progress Update**  
4 PBL; CLR; Digital Portfolio; Crew
- b. **Academic Achievement focus:**
  - i. **Data Committee and BOY PD**
  - ii. **Testing schedule for the year**
- c. **Update on Recruitment**
  - i. **TK1 Videos (VGHS website and Social Media)**
  - ii. **Current student Enrollment #'s**
  - iii. **Forward movement (Radio ad, outreach to business and community organizations)**
- d. **Other updates from School:**
  - i. **4PBL, schoolwide focus for August 17-21**

**Next Meeting Agenda Items:** None.

**Next Regular Meeting:** September 15, 2026 at 5:00 pm. Finance Committee will meet at 4:30pm.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by S. Mares-Bond. 2<sup>nd</sup> by O. McCarthy. Vote to approve: Julie Turner, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares Bond, Opal McCarthy, and Mark Goldman. Against: None. Motion approved

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Approve: Julie Turner Date: Sept. 15, 2026