

**VGHS Governing Council Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 23, 2023**

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm. The meeting took place **in person** and via Zoom platform:  
<https://zoom.us/j/416203345> Or by telephone: +1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID 416203345#

**Roll Call:** Members present *in person*—Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Mark Goldman, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares-Bond, and Julie Turner. Dwayne Lefthand joined the meeting at 5:03pm via Zoom platform. Absent: None.

**Approval of Agenda 1/23/23:** Motion to approve agenda as presented by E. Romero. 2<sup>nd</sup> by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Mark Goldman, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares-Bond, and Julie Turner. Against: None. Motion approved.

**Approval of Agenda Special Meeting 5/31/22:** Motion to approve agenda as presented by E. Romero. 2<sup>nd</sup> by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Mark Goldman, Harold Cordova, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved. Julie Turner and Dwayne Lefthand abstained from voting due to the lack of information from May 31, 2022.

**Approval of Minutes from 12/19/22:** Motion to approve minutes as presented by M. Goldman. 2<sup>nd</sup> by E. Romero. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Mark Goldman, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares-Bond, Julie Turner and Dwayne Lefthand. Against: None. Motion approved.

**Public Comment:** No public comment.

**Teacher Report:** Mr. Manuel Peter Martinez teaches Tewa Language & PE at VGHS. He reported on what classes are working on including improving student attendance, moccasin making, wood projects, culinary class, etc.

**Governing Council Training – Matt Pahl joined our meeting tonight via Zoom.** We will be reviewing our current Bylaws and our succession plan for the future. Both subjects were reviewed and discussed.

**Council Reports: Community Schools, Equity Council, and IEI Reports:** Ms. St. Onge informed the board that the Equity Council and IEI reports are combined. Director, St. Onge briefed the board on each of the reports and they also received a paper copy for individual review.

**Discussion and Possible Action on Current Facility Purchase Options:** Finance Director Mooney and Matt Pahl were not able to meet with Patty Matthews regarding the facility purchase option. The school director, finance director, and Matt Pahl will meet this Wednesday, Jan 25<sup>th</sup> then contact Patty Matthews. The board will table this for a later date due to lack of information at this time.

**Director's Report –** Director St. Onge reported our current enrollment, gave information on our online math program, updates on the Tiwa language classes, and our lunch program. Our Celebration of Learning will be held at the Millicent Rogers museum on January 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30pm to 6:00pm. Ms. St. Onge updated the board on a meeting she and Matt Pahl had with the Secretary of Education earlier this month. She had no new information regarding Capital Outlay.

**Report from Finance Committee:** Committee met with Finance Director at 4:30pm to discuss the finance report and had their questions answered.

Motion was made to accept the Finance Committee Report by E Roth 2<sup>nd</sup> by E Romero. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Mark Goldman, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares-Bond, Julie Turner and Dwayne Lefthand. Against: None. Motion approved.

**Report from Finance Director:** Financial Update: Financials and Bank Statements will follow tomorrow for the month of December to all Governing Council members. An addition Journal Entry needed to be made that changed totals; therefore, wanted to run new reports for the board. The exit audit conference was finally held last week. and should be turned into the State Auditor soon. Once the audit has been released by the State Auditor we will discuss the results in an open session.

Currently, reconciling the calendar year end numbers for W-2 and 1099 Processing. Also, preparing fourth quarter payroll reports. (941, SUTA, WC) and second quarter PED Actuals and Cash report.

**BAR Approval:** No BARS at this time.

**Executive Session:** Motion to enter into Executive Session regarding a Limited Personnel matter by E Roth at 6:36pm. 2<sup>nd</sup> by E Romero. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth-Yes, Eleanor Romero-Yes, Mark Goldman-Yes, Harold Cordova-Yes, Shona Mares-Bond-Yes, Julie Turner -Yes and Dwayne Lefthand-Yes. Against: None. Motion approved.

The board exited Executive Session at 7:01pm and only limited personnel matter was discussed during Executive Session.

**Next Meeting Agenda Items:** GB member Goldman would like to discuss term limits at the next meeting. Review of the Bylaws will be on the agenda

**Next Regular Meeting:** February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Meeting will be held at 5:00 pm in person and via Zoom. Finance Committee will meet at 4:30 pm prior to the regular meeting.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn by E. Roth. 2<sup>nd</sup> by E. Romero. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Mark Goldman, Harold Cordova, Shona Mares-Bond, Julie Turner and Dwayne Lefthand. Against: None. Motion approved. Against: None. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Approved: Elizabeth Roth Date: 2-27-23