

VGHS Governing Council Meeting Minutes
July 31, 2023

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

Roll Call: Members present *in person*—Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond.
Absent: Eleanor Romero and Dwayne Lefthand.

Approval of Agenda 7/31/23: Motion to approve agenda by J. Turner. 2nd by M Goldman. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes from 6/9/23: Motion to approve minutes as presented by E. Roth. 2nd by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Public Comment: No public comment.

Annual Approval for Open Meetings Act: Motion to approve Open Meetings Act as presented by S. Mares-Bond. 2nd by M. Goldman. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Annual Approval of Conflict of Interest: Motion to approve Conflict of Interest Policy as presented by M. Goldman. 2nd by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Acceptance of ED Tech Bond Monies: Motion to accept ED Tech Bond Monies by E. Roth. 2nd by S. Mares-Bond. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Approval for Electronic Signatures for Conflict of Interest: Motion to allow Finance Director to use electronic signatures for all and any school business by M. Goldman. 2nd by H. Cordova. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Approval for electronic signatures for Lease Agreement: Motion was made above to allow Finance Director to use electronic signatures for any and all school business which would include the Lease Agreement.

Discussion and possible action to change banks: The board discussed the banking issues we've been having with our current bank. Motion was made by E. Roth to authorize VGHS to change banks, choose banking services needed, and listing Isabelle St Onge, Elizabeth Roth, Deanna Mooney, and Eleanor Romero as check signers. 2nd by Julie Turner. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Report from Finance Director: Finance Director is excited to announce that all budget items are

1. BAR approval. No BARS presented.
2. Finance Report Approval. Report to come at a later date.

Director Report: Director, Isabelle St. Onge delivered her report that included info on the first day of school, 7th & 8th grade recruitment, teacher opening, and our UNM-Taos Friday Enrichment Program. On July 26th, the Taos School Board made a decision not to accept the Government to Government transfer with VGHS. Our director informed the board that the St. Francis school in Ranchos is for sale and feels like it may be an option for us to purchase. President Roth asked that director, St Onge inquire about the cost of the St. Francis school and then update the board at the next meeting. Director St. Onge presented an MOU with Public Charter Schools of NM for this year's required board training that would take place at VGHS. Board members agreed that it would make most sense to enter into the MOU instead of having all board members travel to ABQ.

Executive Session-Director's Contract: Motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:08 pm by E. Roth. 2nd by J. Turner.

Rollcall Vote: Elizabeth Roth-Yes, Shona Mares-Bond-Yes, Harold Cordova-Yes, Julie Turner-Yes, Mark Goldman-Yes. Against: None. Motion approved.

A motion was made to exit executive session at 6:20 pm by E Roth. 2nd by J. Turner. Roll Call Vote: Elizabeth Roth-Yes, Shona Mares-Bond-Yes, Harold Cordova-Yes, Julie Turner-Yes, and Mark Goldman-Yes. Against: None. Motion approved.

Director's Contract: Motion to approve the Director's Contract for the FY24 school year by E. Roth. 2nd by M. Goldman. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, Mark Goldman, Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

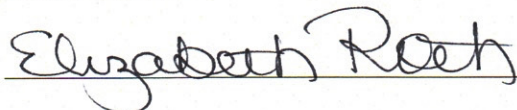
Next Meeting Agenda Items: Strategic Plan.

Next Regular Meeting: August 21, 2023 at 5pm. Meeting will be held in person and via Zoom.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by J. Turner. 2nd by J. Turner. Vote to approve: Elizabeth Roth, Eleanor Romero, Harold Cordova, Julie Turner, and Shona Mares-Bond. Against: None. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

Approve: _____



Date: _____

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