

**GREAT VALLEY ACADEMY
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
October 25, 2021**

MINUTES

Members Present: Steve Payne, Yolanda Meraz, Twila Tosh, Susan Nisan

Members Absent: Vince Jamison

Great Valley

Academy Staff Present: Leah Silvestre Franklin, Marisa Meeks, Kelli Rupe,
Michael Ruehle, Russ Howell, Tarah Heilman

Audience Present: Several staff as well as parents were present. Refer to sign
in sheet for names.

Call to Order/

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Payne welcomed everyone and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Communications: **COMMUNICATIONS**

Written

Communications: Mr. Payne read a letter regarding mandated vaccinations
signed by several staff and parents.

Public Participation: Several parents and GVA staff spoke about the mandated
vaccinations and Mr. Payne answered questions. Public
participation ended at 6:30 pm.

Modesto Principal

Report: Mr. Ruehle spoke about the Spelling Bee competitions.
Stanislaus County is reinstating some competitions. Students
in grades 4-6 will be represented. We have 2 students moving
on to the count level Spelling Bee this year.

Salida Principal

Report: Mr. Howell spoke about the new paved road and how much it
assisted in drop off and pick up just in time for the rain and
mud! He also reported on the new Mac Track that opened on
October 18th in honor of Mrs. Mac.

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Homeschool Principal

Report:

Mrs. Heilman reported that there is ongoing SPED and 1 on 1 training with SELPA. Teachers and students are responding well and students are learning, reading and moving forward!

Chief Operating

Officer's Report:

Mrs. Meeks reported that the auditors were here and finishing up the audit. Everything is looking good. There is an infrastructure in place that makes it easy.

Chief Executive

Officer's Report:

Ms. Silvestre Franklin updated the Board on weekly COVID testing for staff. Testing is Tuesdays in Salida and Wednesdays in Modesto. There are about 100 people tested every week. Student testing is also going very well. We have had no positive cases at those testings. Thank you to Marisa for making it happen!

Founder's Report:

No report

Approval of Agenda/

Order of Agenda:

The motion was made by Ms. Tosh, seconded by Mrs. Meraz, approving the Agenda and Order of Agenda. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Payne, Meraz, Nisan, Tosh

NOES: None

ABSENT: Jamison

ABSTENTIONS: None

Consent Agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA

The motion was made by Mrs. Nisan, seconded by Mr. Payne approving the consent agenda items. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Payne, Meraz, Nisan, Tosh

NOES: None

ABSENT: Jamison

ABSTENTIONS: None

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Action Items:

ACTION ITEMS

a. The motion was made by Mrs. Meraz, seconded by Ms. Tosh approving the Modesto ESSER Plan. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Payne, Meraz, Nisan, Tosh

NOES: None

ABSENT: Jamison

ABSTENTIONS: None

b. The motion was made by Mrs. Nisan, seconded by Mr. Payne approving the Salida ESSER Plan. A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: Payne, Meraz, Nisan, Tosh

NOES: None

ABSENT: Jamison

ABSTENTIONS: None

Information and

Discussion:

Monthly Financials

There will be a revised budget presented to the Board at next month's meeting.

Educator Effectiveness plans

Ms. Silvestre Franklin gave an update on EEP money. The new plan will be voted on at next month's Board Meeting.

Future Agenda

Items:

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday November 29, 2021- 5:30 pm
~1509 Woodrow Ave. Suite A4 Modesto

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 pm