

**DRAFT AGENDA MINUTES
BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Nevada Virtual Academy

Tuesday – September 25, 2018

5:00PM

NVVA Blended Learning Site

4801 S. Sandhill

Las Vegas, NV. 89121

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS

The Nevada Virtual Academy (“School”) welcomes your participation at the School’s Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided.

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting, by requesting the agenda from Ben Gerhardt, Board Liaison (702-407-1825) or on the School’s website at: <https://nvva.k12.com>. Presentation materials discussed during the meeting may be viewed by using the following link: <https://sas.illuminate.com/m.jnlp?password=M.88713B5DA314A96659A75C63C66A68&sid=559>
2. “Requests to Speak” forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of “Oral Communications.” Speakers may also request to be placed on “Speakers List” by calling the School’s Office (702-407-1825) seventy-two hours in advance of the meeting.
3. The “Oral Communications” portion is set-aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your request form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item. Written public comments can be provided to Ben Gerhardt up to two hours prior to the scheduled meeting via email to bgerhardt@nvvacademy.org
5. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
6. Citizens may request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda by submitting a written request at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of any regular meeting. Once such an item is properly agenzed and publicly noticed, the Board can respond, interact, and act upon the item.
7. Items on the agenda may be taken out of order; the public body may combine two or more agenda items for consideration; and the public body may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

I. PRELIMINARY

Call to Order; Roll Call;

Member	Title	Term	Present In Person OR Telephone	Absent	In	Out
Mrs. Samantha Morris	President	2018	IP		5:01	6:37
Mr. Mark Makley	Treasurer	2018	T		5:01	6:37
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden	Member	2020	IP		5:01	6:37
Mrs. Shannon Dangl	Member	2020		X		

Pledge of Allegiance

II. PUBLIC COMMENT #1

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS: No individual comment shall be for more than three (3) minutes. Board members may respond to comments however no action can be taken. The Board may give direction to staff following comment.

No Public Comment

III. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS

A) Reports of Officers and Standing Committees

a. Board President

- President Morris praised NVVA High School for improvements made over the past years, including increased graduation rates and advanced diploma completers, decreased chronic absenteeism, and strong ELL development.

b. Audit Committee Report

- Mark Makley commented that his Senior daughter just received her ACT scores and recorded a 32, and thanked Nevada Virtual Academy for their help in educating his daughter.

c. Policy Committee Report

- Nothing to Report

d. Recruitment Committee Report

- Nothing to Report

e. School Report – Dr. Yolanda Hamilton

Beginning the 7th week of school, we are nearing the end of September which is a particularly busy time. We are working to keep students engaged and on track, are preparing for both financial audit and validation day count, as well as prepping for our first quarterly reporting the Charter Board. Our program designations were released on September 14th and we received a 1 Star, 2 Star, and 3 Star rating for Elementary, Middle, and High School respectively. While we will go into detail a little further into the meeting, we saw improvements in the areas of Chronic Absenteeism and in Engagement (despite last minute changes in how Chronic Absenteeism is measured made by the State which increased our projected percentages), saw a decline in Math

growth and proficiency across most grade levels, missed State Test participation in several subgroups in Elementary and Middle school programs, and decreased in the growth of nonproficient students in the Middle School program. High school saw an increase in graduation rates over the state average, but a decline in ACT scores. We received Participation Penalties in both Elementary and Middle school programs due to not testing 95% of all subgroups enrolled at NVVA through our testing window. This was a requirement that was retroactively enacted the 2016-17 school-year of which the Charter Authority never informed us. The framework for our High School program is new, however, we were surprised by the weight of College and Career requirements which adversely affected our score.

- **Enrollment** – 1947, down from 2198 this same time last year. 234 are Special Education students, compared to 261 last year. Our enrollment cap is 2,275 students per our Stipulated Agreement with the Authority. There are 173 students on our waitlist. We are at grade level caps in 5th grade, approaching within a few in Kindergarten, 11th, and 12th.
- **Elementary Program** – 64% of Kinder through 2nd grade students and 71% of 3rd through 5th grade students are making projected progress. Middle school students are passing 72% of their courses.
- **High School Program** - High school students are passing 71% of their courses.

B) Previous Board Meeting Minutes

Review and possible approval of the minutes from the August 28, 2018 board meeting.

Motion to approve by Ms. McFadden. **Second** by Mrs. Morris. Motion passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Shannon Dangl					X
Mrs. Samantha Morris	2 nd	X			
Mr. Mark Makley		X			
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden	M	X			
Motion	Carried (X)	Not Carried ()	Vote, (Y3) (N) (AB1)		Tabled ()

Review and possible approval of the minutes from the September 4, 2018 emergency board meeting.

Motion to approve by Mr. Makley. **Second** by Ms. McFadden. Motion passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Shannon Dangl					X
Mrs. Samantha Morris		X			
Mr. Mark Makley	M	X			
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden	2 nd	X			
Motion	Carried (X)	Not Carried ()	Vote, (Y3) (N) (AB1)		Tabled ()

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

(Information/Possible Action/Public Comment -If discussion is needed on any item then it shall be placed in Scheduled for Action V)

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board

Resignation- MS Teacher Samantha Gonzalez

Dr. Hamilton stated that NVVA teacher Samantha Gonzalez was transitioning to a K12 Inc. position and need written board approval per their contract with K12.

V. SCHEDULED FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

(Information/Possible Action/Public Comment on the following voting items)

A. BUSINESS

20180925-01_IV-BDRPT (for Information only) Consideration of NVVA's Performance on the 2017-2018 Nevada School Performance Framework and Initial Data for the 2018-2019 School Year

Ben Gerhardt went over the pages 14-23 in the board packet that outlined how the three Nevada Virtual Academy programs fared under the 2017-2018 Nevada School Performance Framework. The Elementary received a 1-Star rating, the Middle School received a 2-Star rating, and High School received a 3-Star rating.

Mr. Gerhardt then went over Diagnostic NWEA MAP data for elementary grades and broke down the different achievement levels for Math and English Language Arts.

Mr. Gerhardt completed his presentations with an overall Free and Reduced Lunch-to-NSPF Index score comparison presentation for the state and charter school portfolio.

K-8 Principal Dr. Andre Denson presented on the 2018-2019 Middle School Improvement Plan to overcome last year's challenges as well as to improve NSPF index measures based on observations.

20180925-02_IV-BDRPT (for Information only) Consideration of NVVA's Notice to Families regarding Performance of the 2017-2018 Nevada School Performance Framework

Dr. Hamilton commented that notices went out electronically and in paper form the previous Wednesday evening. The school worked with the Charter Authority staff to craft the letter and get it approved.

Mrs. Morris asked how the notice has been received. Dr. Hamilton stated that there were parents upset regarding their inability to have their say in how the school has been shut down.

20180925-03_IV-BDRPT (for possible action) Consideration to Elect the Officers of the Board for the 2018-2019 School Year. Positions to be elected are President, Vice President, and Treasurer. These terms will be effective October 1, 2018 through September 31, 2019.

Samantha Morris nominates Mark Makley to the position of Treasurer, who accepted. Elizabeth McFadden motions to approve with a second by Samantha Morris. Motion passed.

Elizabeth McFadden nominates Samantha Morris to the position of President, who accepted. Elizabeth McFadden motions to approve with a second by Mark Makley. Motion passed.

Samantha Morris nominates Elizabeth McFadden to the position of Vice-President, who accepted. Samantha Morris motions to approve with a second by Mark Makley. Motion passed.

Motion to approve by Mr. Makley. **Second** by Ms. McFadden. Motion passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Shannon Dangl					X
Mrs. Samantha Morris		X			
Mr. Mark Makley	M	X			
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden	2nd	X			
Motion	Carried (X)	Not Carried ()	Vote, (Y3) (N) (AB1)		Tabled ()

20180925-04_IV-BDRPT (for possible action) Consideration and Possible Approval of Board Members to the Academic, Audit, Policy, and Recruitment Committees

Mark Makley was nominated to the Audit Committee.
Elizabeth McFadden was nominated to the Academic Committee.
Samantha Morris was nominated to the Recruitment Committee.

Motion to approve by Mr. Makley. **Second** by Ms. McFadden. Motion passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Shannon Dangl					X
Mrs. Samantha Morris		X			
Mr. Mark Makley	M	X			
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden	2nd	X			
Motion	Carried (X)	Not Carried ()	Vote, (Y3) (N) (AB1)		Tabled ()

20180925-05_IV-BDRPT (for possible action) Consideration and Possible Approval of the NVVA Elementary Internal Metrics per the Stipulated Agreement

Ben Gerhardt directed members to page 26 in the Board packet. Dr. Hamilton discussed that per the Stipulated Agreement, the Charter Authority approved the internal metrics to

be presented to the NVVA and Charter Authority board quarterly.

Samantha Morris asked about the measures and how it dealt with the NSPF framework. Dr. Hamilton stated that these metrics are in addition to NSPF metrics.

Dr. Denson went through each Internal Metric and how NVVA would capture each data point.

Mrs. Morris and Ms. McFadden took issues with some of the measures that were in the presentation. Mrs. Morris did not agree with the number of measures that the Charter Authority agreed to.

Motion tabled.

Member	Motion	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Shannon Dangl					
Mr. Mark Makley					
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden					
Mrs. Samantha Morris					
Motion	Carried ()	Not Carried ()	Vote, () (N) (AB)		Tabled (X)

20180925-06_IV-BDRPT (for possible action) Consideration and Possible Approval for Payment to K12 for Products and Services Provided

Motion to approve by Mr. Makley. **Second** by Ms. McFadden. Motion passed unanimously.

Member	Motion	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent
Mrs. Shannon Dangl					X
Mrs. Samantha Morris		X			
Mr. Mark Makley	M	X			
Ms. Elizabeth McFadden	2nd	X			
Motion	Carried (X)	Not Carried ()	Vote, (Y3) (N) (AB1)		Tabled ()

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION

School Financial Report: Michael Ronquillo, Region Finance Manager

- Mr. Ronquillo presented the August 2018 Financial Statement Report

School Credit Card Review: Mark Makley, Treasurer

- Mr. Makley had reviewed the credit card and found everything acceptable

VII. CLOSING PROCEDURES

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

No individual comment shall be for more than three (3) minutes. Board members may respond to comments; however, no action can be taken. The Board may give direction to staff following comment.

No Public Comment

B. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn meeting by Mrs. Morris.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:37 PM

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2018.