

May 27, 2021
VCS Board Meeting
4 p.m.

Present: Marit Kringstad, Jodi Summit, Karin Schmidt, Paula Herbranson
Absent: Michelle Lubinski
Also present: James Ewer, Osprey Wilds, and Frank Zobitz

Motion to approve agenda by Marit, second by Karin- all yes

Announcements

Vermilon 10K set for July 3 (race is a fundraiser for the school sponsored by Friends of VCS).
Karin can help with the race
Yearbook went to press

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Paula, second by Marit- all yes

Test Scores

Karin- able to test all of our students except 2 in reading, and 1 in math
Good testing conditions, no tech glitches
Have charted NWEA-MAP achievement scores and growth scores

Math scores

Achievement, raw RIT score, 16% were above average, 32% met growth targets
Reading- 43% achievement, 54% met growth targets
70-80% are at grade level
We did testing in science, so we can align with state standards, didn't test science in the fall
Attendance being spotty, nice to see growth from fall to spring
Back to having data again

Graduation

June 2 at 7pm
Open doors at 6:30 p.m.
9 graduating
Short ceremony in keeping with Covid guidelines

Marketing update

Getting more inquiries
Banners for van just came
Will start after next week with the prize van

2021-22 budget discussion

Comfortable starting budget at 25 for a low number

Frank and Paula and Karin will meet with teacher Amy Hendrickson (formerly of ERATS) about a possible collaboration (and increase in student enrollment) and report back to the board next meeting

Set a finance committee, Thursday, June 17, 1pm

Food Service options- no other school was interested in supplying meals for our students, think we can keep it simple, and reduce the deficit in the food service account.

Epicenter update

Only two tasks about there- one is ready to upload, then our EE survey results due in June
Karin reviewed the EE survey information with the board

Osprey Wilds Virtual Site Visit

Met with staff, students, board members

Haven't received a report back but expect it to be positive

Admin eval reviewed by board

Staff evals not completed yet

Board training

Frank compiled data from survey from last month

Will take the top two focus items in each section to discuss at next meeting

April financials

Positive cash balance this month

Deposits of \$55,123.14

Expenses posted to Smartfinance- \$54,821.15

Withdrawals of \$45,706.54

Difference is due to payroll taxes not yet due

Motion to approve April financials by Marit, second by Paula- all yes

Updates

Vaccination clinic at the school this week

Working to get second shots arranged, school will provide transportation if needed

School held a moment of silence for George Floyd, did some readings with students and staff gave comments

Chromebooks have arrived (were ordered a year ago, will go into service next school year)

Planning for in-person full-time next year, but that still may change...

Registration packets sent home with students

Did road cleanup yesterday, and had our spring barbecue

Frank talked to board about staff issues this year and the need for resolution/improvement. Interested in setting up a mentoring project with teachers and admin with weekly check-ins, concrete goals for each staffer. Talked about the importance of developing a strong team, setting a great example for our students and then setting a high bar of expectations for our

students. Plan could involve Frank working with a mentor, and then Frank working with the staff one-on-one and as groups. Both teacher board members were in agreement with his thoughts on this issue. Implementing the plan will require additional staffing hours for the admin. Finance committee will discuss this at their upcoming budget meeting.

Paula leaves meeting at 5:05 pm.

Next meeting June 24 at 4 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Karin at 5:09 p.m.