To prepare young people to become lifelong learners in a small school setting, based on high academic standards for all, individual appreciation for each student and teacher, a culture of trust, respect for the diverse traditions of New Mexico, and involvement of family and community.

**Governing Council (GC) Members Present:** Sasha Pellerin, Summers Kalishman, Rachel McCormick, Josue Olivaes, Alberto Solis, Noel Chilton

**GC Members Absent:** Michelle Otero

**Others Present: SVA Staff:** Julie Radoslovich, Heidi Gomez, Jenn Gable, Adrian Martinez, Richard Brandt, Sariah Bujanda, Toma Atencio-Pacheco, Julia Dumars; **Others** Sebastian Martinez (Big Brothers Big Sisters)

Meeting commenced at 5:32.

I. Welcome
   - Reviewed Minutes from April 2016 GC meeting and April 20\textsuperscript{th} Special Meeting (see handout).
   - *Sasha moved to approve both sets of meeting minutes; Josue seconded, approved unanimously.*

II. New Governing Council Member
   - Noel Chilton introduced herself and provided an overview of her work as an artist, educator, and ecologist.
   - *Summers moved to invite Noel to join the SVA GC, Sasha seconded, approved unanimously.*

III. Public Forum
   - **Mentor 2.0:** Sebastian Martinez from Big Brothers Big Sisters described Mentor 2.0 and asked for help identifying mentors. He noted that the program aims to recruit college-educated mentors, and involves at least one email a week, one in-person meeting per month, and helping mentees through the college application process.
   - **Science Department:** the Science Department presented provided an overview of the science curriculum and programs at SVA. The science team aims to move to four years of science and is also looking for additional ways to support advanced students (perhaps through CNM or
UNM). They are also looking for paid opportunities for students and to build SVA’s STEM connections.

IV. Financial Reports and Business:
- Heidi Gomez presented the following documents:
  i. Balance Sheet Reports
  ii. Statement of Revenue & Expenditures
  iii. Reconciliation Reports
  iv. Bank Statements
  v. Budget Summaries by Fund Accounts
  vi. BARS (see handout)
     1. 24101 – moving within funds so no dollar value
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     3. 25171 – child and adult food program, removing $60,000 because cutting at-risk dinner program

- *Sasha moved to approve all three bars, Rachel seconded, approved unanimously.*

V. Reports
- Principal Report (see handout)

VI. Other Business
- SVA bereavement policy proposed revisions: Julie Radoslovich presented proposed revisions to the SVA bereavement policy to include miscarriage.
  i. *Summers moved to approve new policy, Sasha seconded, approved unanimously.*

- Worker’s Compensation Policy: Heidi Gomez presented proposed revisions to SVA’s worker’s compensation policy in order to fulfil requirements from SVA’s insurer.
  i. *Rachel moved to approve policy, Sasha seconded, approved unanimously.*

- Alternative Demonstration of Competency: Jenn Gable presented a plan for an alternative demonstration of competency in math for one SVA student.
  i. *Summers moved to approve; seconded by Sasha, approved unanimously.*

- Diploma Signing: Diplomas were signed by the GC President (Sasha Pellerin) and Vice President (Summers Kalishman).

- Lease Approval: All present GC members signed the lease approval.

VII. Coming Up
- May 17th: GC Training: 12-4:45pm
- May 31st: BAR meeting: 1:30pm
- June 13th: GC Meeting 5:15pm
- July – NO meeting
- August – NO meeting; but a retreat will be scheduled.

Adjourn at 6:45pm.