Governing Council Meeting Minutes  
October 11th, 2016 at 5:15PM

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, Michelle Otero, Rachel McCormick, Noel Chilton, Josue Olivares

**GC Members Absent:** none

**Others Present:** SVA Staff: Julie Radoslovich, Heidi Gomez, **non-SVA Staff:** Javier Garcia (former teacher and GC candidate), Laura Fraser, Jacob Kolander

Meeting commenced at 5:15pm.

I. **Introductions**

II. **Review Agenda**
   - no changes made to meeting agenda

III. **New Board Member Vote**
   - Javier Garcia is currently in law school; he previously worked at the immigrant law center at SVA.
   - *Michelle nominated Javier to join the SVA GC, Sasha seconded, approved unanimously.*

IV. **Review/Approve Minutes from September 2016 GC meeting**
   - *Summers moved to approve, Sasha seconded, approved unanimously.*

V. **Public Forum**
   - MS Humanities and HS English Department presented the week’s public forum. Laura Fraser (MS) and Jacob Kolander (HS) described each program. The MS Humanities Department focuses on an essential skill (from the common core) for each quarter. The HS English Department looks at PARC results and other data to determine an area of focus for department.

VI. **Financial Reports and Business**
   - Sasha and Heidi presented a summary of the September Financials, including:
     - Balance Sheet Reports
     - Statement of Revenues & Expenditures
- Reconciliation Reports
- Bank Statements
- Budget Summaries by Fund Account

- Heidi presented four BARS:
  - 13000, pupil transportation - $138,316 (note: SVA is disputing; Heidi will provide an update as soon as possible)
  - 27103, dual credit materials - $2,793
  - 29102, private direct grants - $0 (note: moving $1,500 to transportation)
  - 31200, public school capital outlay - $432,179 (note: this is for a lease assistance award, and will go to APS)
  - Michelle moved to approve all BARS, Rachel seconded, approved unanimously.

VII. Reports
- Principal Report, Julie Radoslovich
  - See handout
- Subcommittee Reports
  - Fundraising committee: Annual appeal letters are in progress; GC members will sign at an upcoming meeting; Michelle has Smith family rewards for members to sign up for SVA to receive a percentage of spending;
  - Communications: Working on a brochure to proactively communicate SVA's mission, what makes SVA unique, and SVA's accomplishments. Goal is to have ready for inclusion with letter.
  - Alumni: Working on getting people together; considering a certificate and list-serve.

- Other
  - Calendar – GC Meeting are the second Tuesday of every month, as follows:
    1. November 8th
    2. December 13th
    3. January 10th
    4. February 14th
    5. March 14th
    6. April 11th
    7. May 9th
    8. June 13th

VIII. Upcoming Events
- Monday, November 14th (Every Student Succeeds Act, ESSA, forum at SVA)
- November 27th (APS sponsored ESSA forum)
- October 21st (Harvest Festival at SVA)

Meeting adjourned at 6:53pm.