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, Josue Olivaras, Michelle Otero, Javier Garcia (phone)

**GC Members Absent:** Noel Chilton, Rachel McCormick

**Others Present: SVA Staff:** Jenn Gable, Julie Radoslovich

Meeting called to order at 5:18 PM.

I. **Welcome**
   - Reviewed draft agenda for present meeting; no changes were made to the agenda.
   - Reviewed minutes from the September 2017 GC meeting; added Jenn Gable’s name to SVA staff present, Motion Michelle, Josue seconded, approved unanimously.

II. **Public Forum**
   - Presentation: Language Arts, Jacob Kolander
     Common Core Standards - took all standards & divided them up over course of the year, 4 per quarter. 32 taught over the course of 4 years. Now have record of standards being addressed in grades 6-12. Now looking at data re. how students performing based on instruction devoted to a particular standard. Visited John Simms’ & Sam Volmar’s classrooms

III. **Financial Reports and Business**
   - No BAR’s
   - Actual expenditures - about 90%, $1.3 million. Report discrepancy: $1500 check that hasn’t been captured on books, but is noted on p. 5 on report. Everything matches except for the $1500 adjustment.
   - Operation & transportation funds now going directly to APS. Funding we were able to use for field trips is now coming out of Operational.
   - Discussion: Service learning trips count as field trips.
IV. Other Business
- Julie Radoslovich provided a principal report (see handout).
- Self-Assessment
  - GC

- GC Self-Assessment & Strategic Priorities
  - Everett Hill, add one hour to end of November 14 GC meeting to finish strategic planning

V. Subcommittee Reports
- Communications:
  - Santiago Roybal working on video from La Luz hike
  - Abq Journal printed Op-Ed 10/8/17

- Development
  - Added Ian Esquibel and Dalia Medina to committee
  - Ian drafting annual appeal letter

Adjourn at 6:40pm.