

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VACTE GOVERNING BOARD

MEETING LOCATION

Valley Academy for Career and Technology Education
3405 E. State Route 89A, Building B, Cottonwood, AZ 86326
Tuesday, February 4, 2022

Regular Board Meeting 4:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order

The Chairman will call the meeting to order.

- *The Chairman Jeff Wassell called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.*

2. Board Roll Call

- *Board Members present: Jeff Wassell (Chairman, via phone), Ed Mezulis (Clerk, via phone), Adam Thompson (left meeting at 5:30 p.m. then via phone) and Leland Wieweck.*

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman will lead the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- *Superintendent Bob Weir led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

4. Adoption of Agenda (Action Item)

The Board will now approve the formal agenda.

- *Leland Wieweck made the motion to approve the formal Agenda. Adam Thompson made the second with the vote 4-0.*

5. Awards and Recognitions

6. Consent Agenda Items (Action Item)

The consent portion of the agenda is to expedite routine matters that must be acted on by the Governing Board. All items approved will be done by one motion passed unanimously. Any item may be removed for debate on request of any member of the Board. Items removed from the consent portion become the first items of business of the regular agenda. Items that may be included:

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- a) Regular Meeting January 4

B. Approval of Expense Vouchers (A copy of the voucher details will be available for public inspection)

- a) Voucher 9524 for \$85,823.37
- b) Voucher 9525 for \$53,887.71
- c) Voucher 9526 for \$131,558.09*
- d) Voucher 9527 for \$14,280.71

C. Approval of Payroll Vouchers

- a) Voucher 15 for \$21,571.54
- b) Voucher 16 for \$21,529.51

D. January Cash Balance Report

E. January Satellite Schools Report

F. January Student Activity Report

- *Jeff Wassell made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda items with the exception of Expense Voucher 9526. Leland Wieweck made the second with the vote 4-0.*

- *Leland Wieweck made the motion to approve Expense Voucher 9526. Ed Mezulis made the second with the vote 3–0 with Adam Thompson abstaining, due to Conflict with Wired-up.*

7. Call to the Public - Legal A.R.S. § 38-431.01 (H)

At this time, the Chairman of the Board will ask members of the audience if they would like to speak regarding any issue before the citizens of the district. Members of the public wishing to comment on an agenda item should do so at this time. Audience comments will be limited to (3) three minutes. The Board Chair reserves the right to limit the number of audience members speaking on an issue. No formal action may be taken on any issue unless the item appears on the agenda. The Board may respond to criticism, ask that a matter be reviewed by staff, or place an item on a future agenda.

None

8. Reports and Presentations

A. Report from Superintendent Bob Weir

- *Superintendent Bob Weir gave an update on overall enrollment, satellite enrollment, and central enrollment. He addressed the CTED legislative bills and progress on the current CTED FY 23 priorities.*

B. Report from VACTE Board

- *Chairmen Jeff Wassell gave the board a recap of the meeting held with Superintendent Weir on the ESI contracts for future employment possibilities for VACTE staff through ESI.*

9. Discussion and Action Items

A. Discussion on current and upcoming Budget.

- *Superintendent Bob Weir addressed the issue of the AZ Aggregate Spending Limit and how it could affect VACTE with possible school closure on March 30 and/or staff reductions if the state legislative branches do not pass a bill to fix it.*

B. Discussion and possible action on current and upcoming Lease on Building and/or Facilities.

- *The board discussed the option of the revised lease with Verde River Enterprises, Yavapai College and other possible sites. The board directed Superintendent Bob Weir to work with Verde River Enterprise on the wording of the revised lease for FY23 for the March meeting.*

C. Discussion and possible action to approve the written Conflict of Interest with Yavapai County Attorney's Office.

- *Leland Wieweck made the motion to approve the Conflict of Interest with Yavapai County Attorney's Office. Adam Thompson made the second with the vote 4-0.*

D. Discussion and possible action to approve the IGA with Yavapai County regarding Election Services.

- *Jeff Wassell made the motion to approve the IGA with Yavapai County Election Services. Ed Mezulis made the second with the vote 4-0.*

E. Discussion and possible action to approve FY23 VACTE School Calendar.

- *Leland Wieweck made the motion to approve the FY23 VACTE School Calendar. Ed Mezulis made the second with the vote 4-0.*

F. Discussion and possible action to approve VACTE Contracting options with ESI (Educational Services, Inc.) of Certified, Classified and Administrative positions.

- *Superintendent Bob Weir and Chairman Jeff Wassell explained the contract with ESI for hiring back retired staff members. The contract breakdown was discussed and the terms being two months for May and June for all positions. The process of setting it up and the process of renewing it for FY 23 was covered. Adam Thompson asked if it will cost the district more money*

and Jeff Wassell explained how it can help save the district money. Adam Thompson left the meeting but changed to via phone. Ed Mezulis made the motion to approve the ESI contract for May and June FY22 for all positions. Leland Wieweck made the second with the vote 4-0.

- G. Discussion and possible action to approve Superintendent FY 22 Contract and FY 22/23 Contract Services with ESI. The Governing Board may vote to convene into executive session to discuss Superintendent current and upcoming possible contracts, which will not be open to the public, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1).
- *Jeff Wassell explained the new upcoming contract details with ESI. It is being approved by Mohave for a sole source vendor. Jeff Wassell explained the new percentages and what is included in the employment offer for each position at VACTE for next school year in the proposed contract. No action was taken..*

10. Board Members Request for items on Next Agenda and Board Member upcoming events

- A. Next Regular Board Meeting March 1 at 4:30 p.m.

11. Adjourn (Action Item)

- *Leland Wieweck made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Mezulis made the second with the vote 4-0. The Meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.*

Submitted by Superintendent Bob Weir

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| _____ | Adam Thompson, Board Member |
| _____ | Jeff Wassell, Board Member |
| _____ | Leland Wieweck, Board Member |