

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VACTE GOVERNING BOARD

MEETING LOCATION

Valley Academy for Career and Technology Education

3405 E State Rte 89A Bldg B, Cottonwood, AZ 86326

Tuesday, January 7, 2025

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), Ed Mezulis (Clerk), Jill Myers, and Dave Leckington.*

3. Pledge of Allegiance

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

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

4. Adoption of Agenda (Action Item)

The Board will now approve the formal agenda.

- *Ed Mezulis made the motion to approve the formal Agenda. Jeff Wassell made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*

5. Awards and Recognitions

VACTE Student of the Semester

- *Superintendent Bob Weir presented each Program Student of Semester Recipient with a Certificate and a gift from VACTE.*

6. 2025 Board Chairman Election and Clerk Selection (Action Item)

As per VACTE Board Policy 1-103 Governing Board Organization (Note: Cottonwood Oak Creek School District Member is up for Board Chairmanship)

- *Ed Mezulis made a motion for Jeff Wassell to be the Board Chairman. Dave Leckington made the second with the vote 3-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell abstained)*
- *Jeff Wassell made a motion for Ed Mezulis to be the Board Clerk. Dave Leckington made the second with the vote 3-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis abstained, Jeff Wassell aye)*

7. 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 at the request of any member of the Board. Items removed from the consent portion become the first items of business on the regular agenda. Items that may be included:

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a) Regular Meeting Minutes December 3, 2024

- B. Approval of Expense Vouchers (A copy of the voucher details will be available for public inspection)
 - a) Voucher 9916 for \$50,440.78
 - b) Voucher 9917 for \$10,333.10
 - c) Voucher 9918 for \$6,472.15
- C. Approval of Payroll Vouchers
 - a) Voucher 12 for \$41,376.43
 - b) Voucher 13 for \$40,565.63
- D. December Cash Balance Report
- E. December Satellite Schools Report
- F. December Student Activity Report
 - *Ed Mezulis made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items. Jeff Wassell made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*

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

Anyone interested in making a Call to the Public for this meeting is asked to complete a Call to Public form BEDH-E Public Participation at Board Meetings and present it in person or e-mail the Governing Board Secretary prior to 4:30 p.m. on the date of the board meeting. Members of the public wishing to comment on an agenda item should do so at this time. The 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.

9. Reports and Presentations

- A. Report from Superintendent Bob Weir
 - *Superintendent Bob Weir gave the Board an update on current ADM at the VACTE Central Campus and the Satellite Campuses, current Satellite Passthrough payments, upcoming SkillsUSA/HOSA Regional student competitions coming up, and upcoming Lobbyist/Legislative items with Arizona CTED's.*
- B. Report from VACTE Board

10. Discussion and Action Items

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve removing Joe Mulcaire and Adam Thompson as Authorized Signers for the District; including National Bank of Arizona.
 - *Ed Mezulis made the motion to approve removing Joe Mulcaire and Adam Thompson as Authorized Signers for the District; including National Bank of Arizona. Jeff Wassell made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*
- B. Discussion and possible action to approve additional Authorized Signer(s) for the District; including National Bank of Arizona.
 - *Ed Mezulis made the motion to approve additional Authorized Signer(s) (Dave Leckington and Jill Myers) for the District; including National Bank of Arizona. Jeff Wassell made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*
- C. Discussion and possible action to approve additional Board Member Stamps; Dave Leckington and Jill Myers.

- *Ed Mezulis made the motion to approve additional Board Member Stamps; Dave Leckington and Jill Myers. Jill Myers made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*
- D. Discussion and possible action to approve the resignation of Ed Professions Instructor, FTE .25.
- *Jeff Wassell made the motion to approve the resignation of the Ed Professions Instructor, FTE .25. Dave Leckington made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*
- E. Discussion and possible action to approve the VACTE Public Notice for the 2025 Regular Board Meetings.
- *Jeff Wassell made the motion to approve the VACTE Public Notice for the 2025 Regular Board Meetings. Dave Leckington made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye)*

11. Board Member upcoming events

- A. Next Regular Board Meeting February 4th, at 4:30 p.m.

12. Adjourn (Action Item)

- *Jeff Wassell made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Leckington made the second with the vote 4-0. (Dave Leckington aye, Jill Myers aye, Ed Mezulis aye, Jeff Wassell aye) The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.*

Submitted by Governing Board Secretary Shawwna Patton

_____ David Leckington, Board Member

_____ Ed Mezulis, Board Member

_____ Jill Myers, Board Member

_____ Jeff Wassell, Board Member