



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Mission Statement: The mission of Vision Academy Charter School is to prepare students in kindergarten through eighth grade to become responsible and articulate students and citizens by using a comprehensive curriculum designed to foster academic success and current technology to build self-reliance.

Vision Academy Charter School Board of Education Meeting

Date: February 12, 2025

Time: 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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This meeting has been publicized in accordance with the requirements of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, and notification given to all appropriate parties. The notice of this meeting was posted in *the Delaware County Daily Times* and on *the school website at*

<https://www.vacharter.org/governance/>

I. Call to Order:

The Regular Meeting of the Vision Academy Charter School is called to order at **7:03 PM** by **Mr. Seker**. The Board reserves the right to act on any and all agenda items.

II. Roll Call:

Name and Position

Attendance

1	Gokhan Seker, President	✓
2	Erion Peshkepia, Treasurer	✓
3	Dr. Jalil Nasibli, Secretary	Absent
4	Fatih Gozuacik, Member	✓
5	Kadiatou Diallo	Absent
6	Francesca Williams	✓

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Mr. Seker

Second: Mr. Erion

Ayes: All Nays:

Resolved that the **agenda** for the meeting is **APPROVED**.

IV. Board Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the meeting on January 15, 2025 (*Exhibit I*)

Motion: Mr. Seker

Second: Mr. Erion

Ayes: All Nays:

Resolved, that the **minutes** for January 15, 2025, as in *Exhibit I* is **APPROVED**.

V. Call to The Public / Open Comment:

This is the time for the public to comment. The Board President or designee opens the public comment session on agenda items only. Each person is limited to speaking for a period of three (3) minutes and will be asked to give their full name, spell their last name, and provide their address. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. The Board President or designee closes the public comment session on agenda items only.

The board heard comments from **NO ONE**.

VI. School Leaders' Report

1. School Leader's Report

- Principal's Updates: General updates on school operations and performance.
- VAPP Updates: Parent engagement initiatives and upcoming events.
- Beyond the Bell Updates: Afterschool program updates.
- Student Services Updates: Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) interventions and student performance measures.
- Enrollment Updates: Student enrollment and re-enrollment efforts.
- Business Updates: Financial health and budget status.

2. Data Updates

- iReady Second Diagnostic Results (ELA & Math):
 - Improvement ranges: 1-5% and 5-10%.

- Intensive Individual Interventions: Assessment-based durable strategies.
- Student Performance Measures (SPM): Identified focus areas:
 - K-2 ELA (reading comprehension)
 - 3rd & 4th Grade Math
 - 5th Grade ELA
 - 7th Grade Math

3. Culture & Climate Initiatives

- Black History Month Activities:
 - K-3 Read Aloud Week, historical figures study, oratorical videos.
 - Walnut Street Theater visit (7th & 8th Grade).
 - Wax Museum (6th Grade).
 - Weekly art and music projects.
 - Staff door decorating contest.
- Community Engagement Initiatives:
 - Start with Hello Grant (Sandy Hook Promise): Fostering student inclusivity.
 - Kindness Week Themes:
 - Mindful Monday – Consideration
 - Tye It Together Tuesday – Togetherness
 - Wear Green Wednesday – Unity
 - Think Positive Thursday – Messaging
 - Pan-African Friday – Cultural Celebration
- Ramadan Preparation:
 - Family survey on accommodations (lunch settings, music, etc.).
 - VAPP Eid-al-Fitr Dinner planned.
- Other Noteworthy Events:
 - 02/22: Two students competing in Scripps National Spelling Bee Regionals (DCIU, Aston).
 - 02/23: Husky Robotics Club competing in Delaware.

4. Enrollment Updates

- New Student Applications for 2025-26: Status update as of February 12.
- Re-enrollment for Current Students:
 - Enrollment window: January 8-29.
 - The main office is following up with families who haven't submitted forms.
 - Current enrollment: 543 students.
 - Lottery Date: February 14 – new student offers will be made for the 2025-26 school year.

5. Business & Financial Updates

- Financial Summary (as of January 31, 2025):
 - Cash on Hand: \$1,162,144 (24.58 days of cash on Hand).
 - Current Ratio: 4.86 (benchmark = 2).
 - School District Receivables: \$547,566.
 - Budget Execution:
 - 60% of revenue received.
 - 57% of budgeted expenses used.
 - Net Gain: \$263,128 (before adjusting for Divvy CC account overstating income by \$130,604).
 - Revenue from School Districts: 65% of the budgeted amount received.
- Expense Variances:
 - Over Budget:

- Professional & Tech Services: +\$92,624.
- Supplies (books): +\$15,755.
- Capital Expenses: +\$215,199.
- Property Services: +\$13,609.
- Under Budget:
 - Salaries and operational expenses.

6. Beyond the Bell (Afterschool Program)

- Sponsored by 21st CCLC.
- Participation:
 - 58 staff members, including seven from East Lansdowne Elementary School.
 - 270 unique students from VACS and 88 unique students from East Lansdowne Elementary.
 - Daily Average Attendance: 225 students (190 from VACS, 35 from East Lansdowne).
- Schedule: Monday - Thursday, ~2 hours per day.
- Activities:
 - Math/Reading Tutoring
 - Drama Club
 - Robotics & STEM
 - Sports (Cheerleading & Basketball)

Key Takeaways

- Student intervention strategies are in place to improve ELA and Math scores.
- Cultural engagement and inclusivity initiatives (Black History Month, Start with Hello, Ramadan accommodations).
- Enrollment and re-enrollment are progressing, with the lottery scheduled for February 14.
- Financials remain stable, though certain expenses exceed the budget.
- Beyond the Bell, the afterschool program runs successfully with high student participation.

VII. Business Administrator's Report

- Financial Statements (Exhibit II)

VIII. New Business Items:

- a.** Exhibit III – HR Update Since January 15, 2025

Motion: Mr. Seker

Second: Mr. Gozuacik

Ayes: All Nays:

Resolved that the **HR update (i.e. hiring Tanasia Washington as a new PCA)** is **APPROVED.**

- b.** Exhibit IV – HVAC Replacement for Arts & Athletics Building (157 Penn Blvd)

Motion: Mr. Gozuacik

Second: Mr. Seker

Ayes: All Nays:

Resolved that the **HVAC replacement for the Arts & Athletics Building** is **APPROVED (but we will still explore hyper-heat options).**

- c.** Exhibit V – 2025-2026 SY Uniforms Agreement (Flynn O'Hara Uniforms)

Motion: Ms. Williams

Second: Mr. Erion

Ayes: All Nays:

Resolved that the **uniform agreement with Flynn O’Hara for the 2025-26 school year is APPROVED.**

d. Adjournment

Public meeting adjourned at **7:53 PM.**

IX. Executive Session

According to Sunshine Law, 65 PA.C.S.A. § 708, executive sessions to discuss topics such as personnel matters, attorney-client privilege matters, pending litigation, negotiations and other such related matters.

Please Note: The matters discussed will be made public if and when the circumstances requiring confidentiality no longer exist; however, it is not presently known when such circumstances will exist.

- Legal issues
- Personnel Issues

X. Suggested Future Agenda Items

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Minutes Certification:

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,

Board President/Board Secretary/Recording Secretary Date

Approved by the Board of Trustees on ___ / ___ /2025

Board President/Board Secretary/Recording Secretary Date