

# MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

SVN Charter School

May 20, 2024

Edgar Palacios, Board President  
Scott Heffner, Vice President  
Ann Klockau, Board Treasurer  
Selena Smith  
Amber Betts

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Present – In person	Present - Virtually	Absent	Administration Present
	Scott Heffner Ann Klockau Edgar Palacios Amber Betts Selena Smith	Nicole Goodman, Superintendent	Mary Pittala, Director of Finance and Operations Dana Tippin-Culter, Legal Counsel

## CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors at Scuola Vita Nuova convened for the regular board meeting on May 20, 2024, at 5:33 P.M. via Zoom. Edgar Palacios called the meeting to order.

## ROLL CALL

The roll was called. The response was by voice:

Scott Heffner – Present

Ann Klockau – Present

Edgar Palacios – Present

Selena Smith – Present

Amber Betts – Present

## QUOROM PRESENT

Edgar Palacios, President, determined a quorum was present.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

The next order of business was the public comment session as provided by Board Policy 0412.

No one was present.

## CONSENT AGENDA

a. April 2024 Minutes

b. April 2024 Financials

c. April 2024 Accounts Payable in the amount of \$670,239.66

Selena Smith moved to adopt the consent agenda. Ann Klockau seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## SCHOOL REPORT

Presented by Nicole Goodman

The School Report was tabled until the next meeting.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

### ➤ Committee Reports

#### ○ Finance

- Ann Klockau shared the Treasurer's Report. The reserves are \$5.4 million. The remaining construction costs will come out of the reserves. The YTD income is \$7.2 million, and the YTD expenses are at \$9 million. The check register was reviewed and approved. Enrollment is 383 versus the budgeted 414. The WADA is at 546.5 vs 547 budgeted; SVN is paid on a WADA 557. The credit card statements for April were reviewed with nothing material noted.
- Ann Klockau went over the items that were up for approval by the Board. Mary Pittala shared background information about each of the approval items. Scott Hefner shared that the information was sent out to all the Board members earlier in the week. Edgar Palacios commented that the items are recommendations from the Finance Committee to the Board. Scott Hefner moved to approve the FY25 Budget; Ann Klockau seconded the motion. The motion carried. Scott Hefner moved to approve the Auditor (Daniel Jones); Ann Klockau seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ann Klockau moved to approve the Food Service Management Company (Joe Joe's Catering); Selena Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ann Klockau moved to approve the equipment for the Innovation Center (projector & related sound system and displays) from KCAV; Amber Betts seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ann Klockau moved to approve the CEP (Community Eligibility Provision) effective FY25; Scott Hefner seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ann Klockau moved to approve the FY25 employee benefits packet; Selena Smith seconded the motion. Scott Hefner abstained from the vote. The motion carried. Scott Hefner moved to approve the Furniture Agreement for the Innovation Center with Freedom Interiors not to exceed \$90,000; Ann Klockau seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### ○ Governance

- Edgar Palacios shared that the June Board meeting will be held in-person, and that there will be four new members joining the Board at that time. They are in the process of completing background checks.

#### ○ Education & Development

- Selena Smith shared that three parents have been selected to join the committee. The next step is to select a time and day to meet that will be favorable to everyone on the committee. Selena Smith also shared that the necessary information was received from Kent Peterson, and Selena Smith will go over that information with the committee.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

## **CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Scott Hefner moved to adjourn the regular board meeting and enter into executive session pursuant to RSMo. 610.021. to discuss (1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys....(2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor....(3) Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded....(6) Scholastic probation, expulsion, or graduation of identifiable individuals, including records of individual test or examination scores...(7) Testing and examination materials, before the test or examination is given ...(9) Preparation, including any discussions or work product, on behalf of a public governmental body or its representatives for negotiations with employee groups...(13) Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment...(14) Records which are protected from disclosure by law....

Ann Klockau seconded the motion.  
A roll call vote was taken.

Scott Heffner – Absent  
Ann Klockau – yes  
Edgar Palacios – yes  
Selena Smith – yes  
Amber Betts – yes

The motion carried.

The regular meeting adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

The regular meeting resumed at 6:55 P.M.

*The Board voted to approve the Letter of Intent for real estate.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Scott Hefner moved to adjourn the meeting. Ann Klockau seconded. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 P.M.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next Board Meeting will be held at 5:30 P.M. on June 17, 2024, at Scuola Vita Nuova Charter School 535 Garfield Ave, Kansas City, Missouri or virtually, it will be provided in the Board's Meeting Notice.

Minutes prepared by Jene Counts, Administrative Assistant.  
Minutes approved by the SVN Board of Directors on June 10, 2024.



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Scott Hefner, Vice President