

**VALLEY HOME JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
**MINUTES**

**Tuesday – September 12, 2023 – 5:00pm**

Room 4 @ Pioneer Ave Campus  
13231 Pioneer Ave, Valley Home, CA

**I. CALL TO ORDER - 5:00 PM / Establishment of Quorum**

The regular meeting of the Valley Home Joint School District Governing Board is called to order by Jessica Caudle at 5:01 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, in Room 4 at 13231 Pioneer Avenue, Valley Home, California.

**Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:**    \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Jessica Caudle, President  
   \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Chris Hempleman, Clerk  
   \_\_\_A\_\_\_ Shanna Springer, Member  
   \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Michael Hofmann, Member

**Administration Present:**    \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Bill Slikker, Superintendent/Principal

**Flag Salute:** Winnie Mullins

**Staff Present:**

**Others Present:** Winnie Mullins

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PUBLISHED/AMENDED**

Michael Hofman motioned to approve the agenda, Chris Hempleman seconded.

**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT AND COMMUNICATION**

Opportunity for the public to address the Board on agenda items only. **Maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker.** The Board is not permitted to act or hear comments on any matter not on the Agenda. If appropriate, a Board member may direct the questions to the Superintendent/Principal or schedule an item for a future board agenda.

Winnie Mullins reported the Harvest Festival is coming up on October 28th. There will be a silent auction that the PTC is heading, Jessica Caudle will be heading the class baskets.

Winnie Mullins reported Dennis McCutcheon may not be at the Harvest Festival this year to drive the tractor for the haunted hayride. But Megan Eproson agreed to have her husband on standby if Dennis was not available.

Winnie Mullins reported she would like to get the Sheriff's Department helicopter to come to the Harvest Festival again and requested approval from Mr. Slikker. Mr. Slikker approved the helicopter to land in the grass behind the school.

Winnie Mullins reported they will need a kitchen for the Harvest Carnival and wanted to know if the gym repairs would be completed in time. Mr. Slikker reported he could not guarantee the gym would be available, but they could still use the kitchen and serve out the back door.

Winnie Mullins reported they would like to use the gym in December 2023 for a cornhole tournament. Mr. Slikker agreed to allow the use of the gym. Jessica Caudle voiced her concerns regarding beverages being brought to the event and suggested a contract be drawn up and all attendees would need to sign the contract.

Winnie Mullins suggested the board review the bylaws due to board member Shane Cornett having to step down because he did not reside within the boundaries of Valley Home. Winnie mentioned that all students of Valley Home Joint School District would have to attend an Oakdale or Escalon High School and it did not make sense and the bylaws need to evolve and the community does. Winnie went on to say the Cornett family was an asset to our community and school district. Mr. Slikker advised Winnie that he would look into the bylaws to see if changes could be made.

#### **IV. STAFF AND MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

The Superintendent/Principal may report to the Board about various matters involving the district. The Board may ask questions or refer matters to staff.

- A. Camp Sea Lab- 9/18-9/20, 6th grade will be going to Aptos.
- B. MAP Testing- completed and results will be communicated to parents at parent teacher conferences the week of September 19-22.
- C. Gym construction update- the mold test came back negative, now waiting for the moisture test test results. Tentative gym repairs to be completed by 10/1.
- D. Parent Teacher Conferences 9/19-9/22
- E. Book Fair 9/18/-9/22- will be held in the library at the Texas campus.
- F. Football and Volleyball vs. Knights Ferry 9/29
- G. Football and Volleyball vs. Shiloh 10/6
- H. Board member search update- there were no applicants. Mr. Slikker will send a letter to parents with the hopes we will receive an applicant by November 1st.

#### **V. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Board members may report on any matter involving the district. No action may be taken unless a matter is listed on a subsequent agenda.

Jessica Caudle reported that the McCurley family would like to donate a roping dummy for the kids to use during recess. Mr. Slikker approved the donation and Mrs. Caudle agreed to communicate the decision with the McCurley family.

Mr. Slikker reported the Cornett family donated poles and labor for installation of outdoor volleyball net.

#### **VI. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

##### Consent Agenda

##### Notice to the Public

All matters listed under Consent Items are considered to be routine and all will be enacted by one motion and voice vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the Board of Trustees requests items to be removed from the Consent Items list for separate action. Any such items will be considered after the motion to approve the items on the Consent Items list.

- A.1 Approval of the Minutes from the 8/8/2023 Regular Board Meeting.  
Michael Hofman motioned to approve, Chris Hempleman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:
- A.2 Approval of the bills and warrants through 9/11/2023.  
Michael Hofman motioned to approve, Chris Hempleman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:

**VII. FINANCE / GENERAL BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion / Board Approval Approval of Resolution #23-24-03, Gann Limit Appropriations.  
Chris Hempleman motioned to approve, Michael Hofman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:
- B. Discussion / Board Approval Approval of Resolution #23-24-02, Provision Of Sufficient Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials.  
Chris Hempleman motioned to approve, Michael Hofman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:
- C. Discussion/ Board Approval Approval of Prior Year Financial Report- Unaudited Actuals.  
Michael Hofman motioned to approve, Chris Hempleman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:
- D. Discussion/Board Approval Approval of MOU Gingerich Insurance as our staff insurance broker.  
Chris Hempleman motioned to approve, Michael Hofman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:
- E. Discussion/Board Approval Approval of certificated contract for Tania Aguayo as 4th grade teacher effective August 16, 2023.  
Michael Hofman motioned to approve, Chris Hempleman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:

**IX. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

- Approval of Resolution 23-24-02, Provision of Sufficient Textbooks and/or Instructional materials
- Board member progress

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

- Next board meeting will be held on September 19, 2023, at 4:00 PM.  
Chris Hempleman motioned to approve, Michael Hofman seconded.  
**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays:     Absent: 1 Abstain:

Meeting adjourned at 5:49 PM.