

## Valor Academy, Inc.

### *Meeting Minutes*

September 19, 2023

Time: 7:00 AM

1330 Atcheson St.  
Columbus, Ohio 43203

### **Videoconference, Zoom Link (optional for non-board members)**

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### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM

### **2. Roll Call**

#### **Board Members Present:**

David Jones, President  
Sean Patterson, Vice President  
Dwight Anstaett, Secretary  
Jevon Collins, Director  
Andrew Fox, Treasurer

#### **Attendees:**

Howard Marzolf, *Verano*  
Nikki Hofman, *Verano*  
Dan Mahlandt, *Superintendent*  
Marvis McGowan, *Executive Director*  
Stephanie Trawick, *OCCS*  
Tara Jones, *OCCS*  
Becky Enz, Esq., *Amy Goodson Co., Board Legal Counsel*  
Lesley Gillen, *Fiscal Officer Representative*

### **3. Review of Agenda**

### **4. Public Comment**

### **5. Action and Discussion Items**

#### **A. Approval of August 15, 2023 minutes**

The board reviewed the minutes; no modifications were requested.

**23-46 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors approves the August 15, 2023 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion: Mr. Patterson Second: Mr. Fox

Ayes: 5 Opposed: 0

## **B. Financial Report**

- **Federal Subgrant Expenditures**

Ms. Gillen presented the financial report as of August 31, 2023 and discussed cash balances. FTE is 90 and will be the same until the October true-up. She indicated the audit is in process, and the budget and forecast will be presented during October's meeting.

**23-47 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors approves and adopts financial report, including the federal subgrant expenditures, as presented.

Motion: Mr. Patterson Second: Mr. Anstaett  
Ayes: 5 Opposed: 0

## **C. State of the School Report**

- **Number of Suspensions and Expulsions**
- **Staff Changes**
- **Residency Verification (September)**

Mr. McGowan presented the school report and discussed special education. Enrollment is at 96, and the budget is for 125. He also discussed new curriculum, the community sponsor of basketball, and that the school received 3 stars on the Local Report Card (LRC).

**23-48 RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors accepts the State of the School Report as presented, including the number of suspensions and expulsions, staff changes, and the September residency verification.

Motion: Mr. Collins Second: Mr. Fox  
Ayes: 5 Opposed: 0

## **D. PII Grant Award Acceptance**

The board discussed the PII Grant from OCCS. The book vending machine is at the school and just waiting on books.

**23-49 WHEREAS**, Valor Academy, Inc. ("the Corporation") is an Ohio Non-Profit Corporation organized under the laws of the State of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Council of Community Schools ("OCCS") is offering the governing authority of the Corporation ("Governing Authority") a book vending machine and a gift card to purchase the first set of books as a Performance, Innovation, and Improvement Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant is contingent upon the Governing Authority accepting the grant award and agreeing to the additional terms of the grant.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Governing Authority hereby accepts the Performance, Innovation, and Improvement grant from the Ohio Council of Community Schools valued at \$8,189.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Governing Authority will direct the school's administration to provide the Governing Authority and OCCS with an update during a meeting during the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion: Mr. Fox Second: Mr. Collins  
Ayes: 5 Opposed: 0

**6. Informational Reports**

**A. Legal Update**

- **Safer Ohio Tip Line**

Ms. Enz gave the legal update. Management confirmed the school is registered with the Safer Ohio Tip Line.

**B. Sponsor Update**

Ms. Trawick gave the sponsor update and discussed compliance. She also reported that the school is approved for a professional development grant which should be ready for the next agenda.

**7. Confirmation of Next Meetings:** Date: October 17, 2023  
Time: 7:00 AM  
Location: Valor Academy  
1330 Atcheson St.  
Columbus, Ohio 43203

**8. Adjournment** 7:18 AM  
Motion: Mr. Collins Second: Mr. Anstaett

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Approved by Valor Academy, Inc., Board of Directors on October 17, 2023.

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Board President/Secretary

10/20/2023  
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Date