

Governance Council
Verona Area International School
VAIS/NCS LMC
Verona, Wisconsin
Monday, January 8, 2024
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

James Kokalj, Pres.
Patty Arifin, V. Pres.
Brandon Braithwaite,
Secretary.
Evan Henderson,
Treasurer

VAIS Staff
Sally Parks, Director
Yingying Reiter
Sarah Shaw


Parent Representatives
Aaron Edwards-Miller
Kelly Gibson
Steve Kean
Zachary Mordh

Present in Red

Also present:
Katie Bhandere

Agenda

Presenter

1. Welcome (5 mins) J. Kokalj
2. [Approval of Minutes](#) (5 min) J. Kokalj
 - a. Motion by Brandon, Second by Kelly. Motion passes.
3. [Site Based Leadership Team Update](#) (5 min) S. Parks
4. [Directors Report](#) (25 min) S. Parks
 - a. Reading Corps Tutor
 - b. Professional Development
 - c. Mandarin Curriculum Update
 - d. Outreach Plans
 - e. VAIS Enrollment (No Change)
5. Committee Reports Updates (20 min) E. Henderson
 - a. Budget Committee
 - i.  VAIS_Budget 2023-24
 - ii. Mandarin Matrix

Motion by Brandon to approve up to \$4,000 to buy Mandarin Matrix print material to be used for this year and subsequent years. Seconded by Kelly. Motion Passes.

A. Fundraising Committee+

Culver's event on Wednesday.

- b. Outreach Committee K. Gibson

See Principal's report for dates and events.

Volunteers still needed for Chinese New Year Event at library.

Installing the display board at the library this Saturday.

Projecting 8 younger siblings in the K class.

c. Parent Engagement

J. Kokalj

No update provided. Believe they are working on a Chinese New Year explainer for families.

6. Other Business (5 min)

J. Kokalj

China trip update: Confirmed dates are 3/24 to 4/4. Some students may return on Friday, April 5, others may return the following Monday. Brandon will send Sally a list of all students and families who have signed up once they confirm. Adam Gault, the High School Mandarin teacher is attending the trip.

7. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Shaw. Motion passes.