



**Vegas Vista Academy Board Meeting Minutes**  
**4660 N Rancho Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89130**  
**6:30 PM; November 5, 2025**

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By law, no one may willfully disrupt the meeting to the extent that its orderly conduct becomes impractical.

All items are action or possible action items if denoted as such.

## **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Eric Duran Valle at 6:44 PM Wednesday November 5th.

## **2. Attendance**

- **Present:** Eric Duran Valle, Dr. Silvina Jover, Renee Cadaoas, Karl Catarata, Charis Garcia, Anthony Ruiz
- **Absent:** Layla Medina, Victor Tavares, Margie Llorente-Gonzales
- **Others Present:** Dr. Benjamin Feinstein, Nandini, Scout Ocampo, Alejandra Rodriguez

## **3. Public Comment (if any)**

The public comment period was opened, but no one came forward to speak.

## **4. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the 10/01/2025 meeting minutes made by Dr. Silvina Jover.  
Seconded by Renee Cadaoas.  
Motion passed unanimously (5-0).



## 5. Ongoing Items

### A. Executive Director's Report

- a. Community Engagement/ Enrollment Items
  - i. 274 is the current enrollment number.
  - ii. If enrollment is not met, we will need to hire consultation
  - iii. The enrollment lottery will start December 18.
  - iv. November open house will attempt to reach out to new families
  - v. There are preschool meetings scheduled.
  - vi. Some tabling events all board members are welcomed to attend
- b. Facility Update
  - i. A proposal to empty lot owners was presented.
  - ii. We do have a plan B if offer is turned down
  - iii. Torrey Pines cross walk is being looked into by the city.
  - iv. A security and emergency system has been bought.
- c. Finance Update
  - i. New budget was already voted on.
  - ii. Still waiting on numbers for charter school grant
  - iii. About 170K has been submitted in grant applications.
  - iv. At this point, we are about 6 kids short, which is about 60k
  - v. We need to reach out for fund raising for Gala
- d. Governance Update
  - i. Referred back to voting in new member Alejandra
  - ii. Congratulated new treasurer Charis
  - iii. We got the preliminary report for the organizational framework.
  - iv. We were out of compliance in Governance and Compliance.
  - v. A rigorous system has been put in place to stay in compliance.
- e. HR Update
  - i. We are going to be hiring for the new school year.
  - ii. We are hiring for 6th grade.
  - iii. We will need to think about new facilities.
  - iv. We are actively looking for portables.
- f. Testing Update
  - i. No update
- g. School Update
  - i. We did host the governor, a congresswoman, and the new superintendent.
  - ii. All major news networks were there.
  - iii. Seeing return on the event through social media.
  - iv. 3rd donuts with doc was a success.



- v. We have lots of extra curriculums.
- vi. Lots of field trips scheduled.
- vii. Fall festival was on October 30th.
- viii. IB items need to be completed before application is submitted
- ix. There are some goals for the upcoming gala.
- h. Upcoming Events
  - i. A calendar with upcoming events was presented.
- B. Finance Report
  - a. 2025-26 Financial Update
    - i. September Revenue
      - 1. We had \$325,146 in monthly revenue for September
    - ii. September Expenses
      - 1. Total expenses for September was \$242,166
    - iii. 2025-26 Forecast Update
      - 1. Ending fund balance forecasted is \$443,456
    - iv. 2025-26 Cash Flow Projection
      - 1. We are evening out to stay close to about 100k
      - 2. As enrollment and local revenue goes up, we are making sure to stay above the Payroll line.
    - v. AB398 Amended Budget
      - 1. The approved budget was 292k.
      - 2. The proposed budget amendment is 270k.
      - 3. AB398 was included in revenue.
      - 4. The main difference is current enrollment.
      - 5. We have received drafts for prior school year
      - 6. A board approved Audit needs to be added by December 1st.
  - b. CSP Grant Tracker
    - i. We have spent down 1.2M grant completely.
    - ii. We have more grant money coming from O180

## **6. New Business/For Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Development Committee Report (For Discussion and Possible Action) Authorization of the Development Committee was approved at the October 1, 2025 Board meeting. This is a progress report.
  - a. Working on scheduling the first meeting soon.
  - b. There is interest from families to join the committee.
  - c. Families survived for smaller scale fund raisers.
  - d. Would like a spirit night Monthly fundraiser scheduled approval from the board.
  - e. There are plans to start getting fundraising started for the Gala.



- B. AB398 Amended Budget (For Discussion and Possible Action) Allocation of AB398 funds from the Nevada Legislature was approved in the Interim Finance Committee on October 16, 2025. This item requires final ratification from the Board of Directors.
- a. Motion to approve AB398 Amended Budget made by Charis Garcia.  
Seconded by Dr Silvina Jover.  
The motion passed unanimously. (6-0)
- C. Potential New Board Member: Alejandra Rodriguez (For Discussion and Possible Action) Consideration to admit Alejandra Rodriguez to the VVA Board of Directors. The Executive Director and Board Chair have conducted a preliminary interview and the candidate has completed the new board member application.
- a. Motion to add Alejandra Rodriguez made by Dr Silvina Jover.  
Seconded by Charis Garcia.  
The motion passed unanimously. (6-0)
- D. Appointment of new Treasurer (For Discussion and Possible Action) Treasurer Rasmussen has stepped down for personal reasons. This item is to nominate and elect a new treasurer.
- a. Chair Duran Valle would like to nominate Charis Garcia to be appointed as treasurer.
  - b. Charis Garcia accepted the position as treasurer.

## **7. Public Comment (if any)**

Eric Duran Valle - Would like to acknowledge and thank Rachelle Rasmussen for her hard work and wishes for a speedy recovery.

## **8. Closing**

Motion to adjourn made by Dr Silvina Jover.

Seconded by Renee Cadoas.

The motion passed unanimously. (6-0)

The meeting adjourned at 7:40PM Wednesday November 5th.