

# Leonardo da Vinci Health Sciences Charter School

## Board of Trustees Meeting February 10, 2010 ~ 6:00pm

1615 Mater Dei Drive, Seton Hall, Room 17  
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### MINUTES



#### Board of Trustees

Amber Goslee, Chairperson

Sharmane Estolano, Treasurer

Tina Clarke, Secretary

Yolanda Autiero

James Everly

Erin Gannon

Mario Hernandez

Marie Miehl

Sharyn Kang, Director

#### Mission

As a nurturing learning community, Leonardo da Vinci Health Sciences Charter School cultivates health-literate students who have the knowledge, critical thinking skills, and attitudes, which empower them to become influential contributors in an ever-changing global society.

#### 1. Call to Order – 6:00pm

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

*Everly motioned to approve agenda. Estolano seconded the motion.*

*In favor: Estolano, Gannon, Goslee, Hernandez, Miehl, Everly*

*Opposed: None*

*Abstained: None*

*Absent: Autiero, Clarke*

#### 3. Approval of Minutes – December 9, 2009

*Estolano motioned to approve agenda. Hernandez seconded the motion.*

*In favor: Estolano, Gannon, Goslee, Hernandez, Miehl, Everly*

*Opposed: None*

*Abstained: None*

*Absent: Autiero, Clarke*

#### 4. Approval of Minutes – January 13, 2010 - **Tabled**

*In favor:*

*Opposed:*

*Abstained:*

*Absent:*

#### 5. Information/Action

##### A. ExED / Budget Report: Cathy Walsh (Information)

*Walsh updated board on current funding rates for 2009/10. \$29.5 million to provide categorical funds for new start up charter school. LdVCS is not eligible for SB 740 funds due to the low enrollment of free and reduced students. LdVCS is also receiving \$100,000.00 from Block Grant this school year instead of next school year. Handouts available.*

##### B. Director Report (Information)

*Kang updated board on current enrollment. As of today, February 10, 2010 LdVCS is at 150. Only have room in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Waiting list for all grades.*

*Borden's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class is participating with a college professor from SDSU. Hired a new RSP (Resource Specialist), Chelsie Avila. LdVCS played their first girls basketball game.*

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*Orientation meeting/tour was a great turn out. Over 50 families attended.*

*Natalia Valerdi has been teaching YOGA to Ms. Gannon's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class every Thursday.*

*Returning Survey will be going out next week. There will be a lottery for next school year.*

*106 "Intent to Enroll" for next school year 2010/11.*

### C. Governance Committee Reports (Information)

- i. Partnership – Fowler updated board on latest “Kick Back Nights”  
PBM Imaging \$317.00  
Pat and Oscars \$235.46  
Chick-fil-A \$198.84  
Chilis \$50.00

*Spring fundraising is scheduled to start in March 2010.*

*Letters went out to all LdVCS families regarding committees. 35 parents are interested in helping with Partnership.*

*Julia Fletes is in charge of yearbook. Vendor is Blurb.*

- ii. Curriculum and Assessment  
*Hernandez updated board on 3 topics. 1) Family Math Night is scheduled for February 25, 2010. 2) Needs assessment for teachers. Needs vs. Wants. 3) Report Cards*

- iii. Technology  
*Dieckmann updated board on ITT plan. Looking at 3 areas. Hardware, software and staff needs. Working on benchmarks for each grade. Teachers are using technology with Project Based Learning. Committee has 2 questions. How much is budgeted for technology and how much say does the committee have?*

- iv. Audit/Budget  
*Everly updated board on auditor. Committee has to select an auditor by next meeting. Deadline to submit to San Diego County Office of Education is March 15, 2010. Deadline to CDE is April 1, 2010. Committee is also working on Fiscal Policy.*

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D. Walk for Literacy (Action) - *Tabled*

E. School Uniforms (Action)

*Kang would like a committee to work on a uniform policy. (Examples: What colors? Polos or T-Shirts?)*

*Hernandez motioned to approve agenda. Autiero seconded the motion.*

*In favor: Autiero Estolano, Gannon, Goslee, Hernandez, Miehl, Everly*

*Opposed: None*

*Abstained: None*

*Absent: Clarke*

F. 2010-2011 Calendar / Bell Schedule (Information)

*Kang presented a draft calendar for next school year. Some dates still need to be added. Spring break also needs to be looked at.*

*Bell schedule: Kinder will leave at 12:30pm for the first couple of months.*

*Teachers feel days may be too long and short days will give teachers time to assess their students.*

G. Community Resources Policy (Information)

*Community members would like to outreach to our students. Art classes, dance, Mad Science, etc. School needs a policy in place. Miehl will take the lead on doing research with other districts.*

H. Visitor / Volunteer Policy (Information)

*Policy will help provide guidelines for both parents and staff. Kang is working on policy.*

*Maggie Burington (speaker): Mother of twins in Ms. Hecht class. Was denied access twice at office and gate. Question to board. Why is mother not allowed to enter office? Mater Dei guard did not allow mother to enter.*

*LdVCS will address Ms. Burington's concern.*

I. LdVCS Charter School Expansion (Information)

*Kang shared about the families that are interested in attending our school. We will be letting Mater Dei about leasing 4 rooms upstairs.*

J. Nominations for Incoming 2010-2011 Board of Trustees Members (Information)

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*Goslee informed board on nomination for next year. Deadline is March 10, 2010. Currently board has one community member seat available. Estolano would like the new board member to have no vested interest.*

### 6. Public/Oral Communications

*Mrs. Maggie Burington – Parent*

*Spoke to board regarding lunch. Her children are losing weight and being told to throw their food away. Is there a policy in place? Volunteers.*

*Jim Dieckmann – Founder*

*Appreciate hard work.*

*Stanton Horiuchi - Parent*

*Concern about the “RUMORS” going on at school. It’s about the children!*

### 7. Announcements

Nominations for incoming Board of Trustees Members will be accepted no later than the March 10, 2010 Board of Trustees meeting.

*Gannon updated board on Fleet event on Saturday, February 6, 2010.*

**Regular session closed at 7:40pm**

7a Closed Session – 7:49pm

Student Suspension

### 8. Adjournment – 8:00pm