

San Diego Virtual School
Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
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Wednesday, October 26, 2011

10:00 a.m. Open Session – San Diego Virtual School
10:01 a.m. Closed Session – San Diego Virtual School
10:15 a.m. Open Session – San Diego Virtual School

I. OPEN SESSION – Call to Order

II. CLOSED SESSION – AGENDA

OPEN SESSION AGENDA

III. OPEN SESSION - Depending upon completion of Closed Session items, the Governing Board intends to convene in open Session at 10:15 a.m. to conduct the remainder of the meeting, reserving the right to return to Closed Session at any time.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. OPEN SESSION- *Regular Meeting*

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

Are there any requests from the Board to move any agenda item to a different location?

Motion _____ Second _____ Vote _____

2. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Governing Board Reports - Governing Board Members may make brief announcements or briefly report on his/her own activities as they may relate to school business.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

4. REPORTS

A. Executive Director

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Because the Board has a responsibility to conduct district business in an orderly and efficient way, the following procedures shall regulate public presentations to the Board. The Board is asking that members of the public wishing to speak, fill out a form located on the counter/table, stating their name and address; the agenda item; and the topic to be discussed. BB 9323.

The Governing Board is prohibited from taking any action on any item raised in this section unless the item is specifically agendaized. The members of the Governing Board may ask a question for clarification, provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back at a subsequent meeting on any matter or take action directing staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. Governing Board members may make brief announcements or briefly report on his/her own activities as they relate to school business.

State open meeting laws allow members of the public to lodge public criticism of District policies, procedures, programs, or services. However, those same laws include specific provisions designed to protect the liberty and reputational interests of public employees by providing for the non-public hearing of complaints or charges against employees of the District. Under these laws, it is the employee subject to complaints or charges who is provided the right to choose whether those complaints or charges will be heard in open or closed session. It is therefore the desire of the San Diego Virtual School that complaints against an employee be put in writing, and that when the Board hears complaints or charges against an employee it do so in closed session unless the employee requests an open session. Consistent with the law and the opinion of the State Attorney General's Office, please submit any complaints against an employee in writing, to the administration, in accordance with the school's complaint procedure. This procedure is designed to allow the School to address complaints against employees while at the same time respecting their legitimate privacy rights and expectations.

6. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

6.01 Consent Agenda- 11.01, 11.02, 11.03

Motion_____Second_____Vote_____

7. PUPIL SERVICES

8. PERSONNEL SERVICES

9. FINANCIAL & BUSINESS

10. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

11. POLICY DEVELOPMENT

***11.01 Cyber-bullying policy**

Motion_____Second_____Vote_____

***11.02 Internet usage policy**

Motion_____Second_____Vote_____

***11.03 Board member insurance policy**

Motion_____Second_____Vote_____

12. FUTURE PLANNING/ACTION ITEMS

13. FUTURE MEETING

TBD during meeting on October 26, 2011

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion_____Second_____Vote_____

Signed:

Signed:

**Bill Hall
President, Governing Board**

**Steve Fraire
Secretary, Governing Board**

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**San Diego Virtual School
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
San Diego Virtual School**

Unapproved Minutes

October 6, 2011

OPEN SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Bill Hall, with member Steve Fraire and Michele Farmer in attendance. The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

Nothing Discussed

OPEN SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by President Bill Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Hall discussed the need for a internet usage and cyber-bullying policy.

CORRESPONDENCE

none

REPORTS

Brennan Mclaughlin discussed current attendance enrollment of 77 and

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

6.01 Consent Agenda 6.02, 8.01, 8.02, 11.04
Motion__Fraire Second_Farmer_Vote 3 yes/0 no

PUPIL SERVICES

none

PERSONNEL SERVICES

FINANCIAL & BUSINESS

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

POLICY DEVELOPMENT

FUTURE PLANNING/ACTION ITEMS

FUTURE MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be October 24, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m. by unanimous consent.

Signed:

Signed:

**Bill Hall
President, Governing Board**

**Steve Fraire
Clerk, Governing Board**

SDVS CyberBullying Policy

Definition of Cyber Bullying

Cyber Bullying is the use of electronic information and communication devices to willfully and repeatedly harm either a person or persons through the medium of electronic text, photos, or videos. Examples of this behavior include but are not limited to:

- sending false, cruel, vicious messages
- Creating websites that have stories, cartoons, pictures, and jokes ridiculing others.
- Breaking into an email account and sending vicious or embarrassing materials to others.
- Engaging someone in electronic communication, tricking that person into revealing sensitive personal information and forwarding that information to others.
- Posting of a student picture without their permission.

Bullying of this nature creates a hostile, disruptive environment on the school campus and is a violation of a student's right to be safe and secure. Cyber Bullying and Harassment will not be tolerated. Actions deliberately threatening, harassing, intimidating an individual or group of individuals, placing an individual in reasonable fear of harm or damaging the individual's property; or disrupting the orderly operation of the school, will not be tolerated.

The online activities and technologies often used by students engaged in Cyber Bullying include but are not limited to social networking sites, chat rooms and discussion groups, instant messaging, text messaging, computers, cell phones and personal digital devices, digital cameras, cell phone cameras, and web cams. As new technologies emerge, they too may be included with the above forms of electronic communication.

Consequences for Harassment and/or Cyber Bullying

Education Codes 48900.4 and 48900 (r), strictly prohibit harassment or bullying of any kind and such behavior is subject to the following consequences:

- Minimum: 1day suspension
- Maximum penalty: Expulsion

***** Education Codes 48900.4 "Harassment, threats, or intimidation creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment"**

***** Education Code 48900 (r) "Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to bullying committed by means of an electronic act, as defined in subdivisions (f) and (k) of Section 32261, directed specifically toward a pupil or school personnel"**

If the conduct occurs off school grounds and causes or threatens to cause a substantial disruption at school or interferes with the rights of students to be secure, school administration may impose consequences. The Administration may also report the Cyber Bullying or Harassment to the police.

Action Steps to Respond to Cyber Bullying or Harassment

- Save the evidence. Print the online harassing.
- Identify the Cyber Bully.
- Clearly tell the Cyber Bully to stop.
- Ignore the bully by leaving the online environment and/or blocking communications.
- File a complaint with the Internet or cell phone company.
- Contact the Cyber Bully's parents.
- Contact the school administration.
- Contact the police.

Student Use of Technology

The principal or designee shall oversee the maintenance of each school's technological resources and may establish guidelines and limits on their use. He/she shall ensure that all students using these resources receive training in their proper and appropriate use.

(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)
(cf. 6162.7 - Use of Technology in Instruction)

At the beginning of each school year, parents/guardians shall receive a copy of the school's policy and administrative regulation regarding access by students to the Internet and on-line sites. (Education Code 48980)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

On-Line/Internet Services: User Obligations and Responsibilities

Students are authorized to use school equipment to access the Internet or on-line services in accordance with user obligations and responsibilities specified below and in accordance with Governing Board policy and the district's Acceptable Use Agreement.

1. The student, in whose name an on-line services account is issued, is responsible for its proper use at all times. Students shall keep personal account numbers, home addresses and telephone numbers private. They shall use the system only under their own account number.
2. Students shall use the district's system responsibly and primarily for educational purposes.
3. Students shall not access, post, submit, publish or display harmful or inappropriate matter that is threatening, obscene, disruptive or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as harassment or disparagement of others based on their race/ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion or political beliefs.

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Harmful matter includes matter, taken as a whole, which to the average person, applying contemporary statewide standards, appeals to the prurient interest and is matter which depicts or describes in a patently offensive way sexual conduct and which lacks serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value for minors. (Penal Code 313)

4. Students shall not disclose, use or disseminate personal identification information about themselves or others when using electronic mail, chat rooms, or other forms of direct electronic communication. Students are also cautioned not to disclose such information by other means to individuals located through the Internet without the permission of their parents/guardians.

Personal information includes the student's name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other individually identifiable information.

5. Students shall not use the system to encourage the use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco, nor shall they promote unethical practices or any activity prohibited by law or Board policy.

(cf. 3513.3 - Tobacco-Free Schools)

6. Copyrighted material shall not be placed on the system without the author's permission. Students may download copyrighted material for their own use only.

(cf. 6162.6 - Use of Copyrighted Materials)

7. Students shall not intentionally upload, download or create computer viruses and/or maliciously attempt to harm or destroy district equipment or materials or manipulate the data of any other user, including so-called "hacking."

(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism, Theft and Graffiti)

8. Students shall not read other users' electronic mail or files. They shall not attempt to interfere with other users' ability to send or receive electronic mail, nor shall they attempt to delete, copy, modify or forge other users' mail.
9. Students shall not employ the network for commercial purposes.
10. Students shall report any security problem or misuse of the services to the teacher or principal.

The school reserves the right to monitor any on-line communications for improper use. Electronic communications and downloaded material, including files deleted from a user's account, may be monitored or read by school officials to ensure proper use of the system.

(cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)

The principal or designee shall make all decisions regarding whether or not a student has violated Board policy or the school's Acceptable Use Agreement. The decision of the principal or designee shall be final.

Inappropriate use shall result in a cancellation of the student's user privileges, disciplinary action and/or legal action in accordance with law and Board policy.

BOARD MEMBER INSURANCE

The charter school shall maintain sufficient insurance to protect the board and its individual members against liability arising from actions of the board or its individual members while each is acting on behalf of the district and within his/her authority as a board member.

An individual board member may participate at his/her own cost in any of the personal liability, life, health, health care, accident, disability, salary protection or other form of insurance made available to district staff if plan sponsors permit such participation.

Board Policy