A meeting of the Board of Directors of Santa Clarita Valley International Charter School was held at 6:30 p.m. on February 19, 2009 at 28049 Smyth Drive, Valencia, CA 91355.

MINUTES
Open Session

1. CALL TO ORDER
   Amber Raskin called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.

2. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ROLL CALL AND RE-ESTABLISH QUORUM:
   President – Amber Raskin- present
   Vice President – Andy Hetzel- present
   Secretary – Open
   Treasurer – Sharlene Atwood- present
   Board Member – Dawn Evenson- present
   Board Member – Courtney Lackey- present
   Board Member – Rene Rubalcava- present
   Six Board Members were present; a quorum.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
   Dawn Evenson motioned to approve the agenda.
   Sharlene Atwood seconded the motion.
   Motion carried, 6:0.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   Sharlene Atwood motioned to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 22, 2009.
   Dawn Evenson seconded the motion.
   Motion carried, 6:0.

5. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC
   This portion of the meeting is set aside for the purpose of allowing an opportunity for individuals to address the Board of Directors regarding matters not on the agenda.
   Gris Ibarra announced that Yearbook staff wants to take a picture of the Board as a group at the next Board meeting. A yearbook staff will be present tonight taking candid photos.

6. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
   Principal’s Report:
   (See written report.) Principal Dawn Evenson verbally reported on February 13 we had a planning meeting to get closer to our vision. We looked at taking steps to meet Project Based Learning and multi age instruction. We plan to implement an international theme. Marni Morse and Jennifer Doiron have agreed to do a multi-aged project based pilot program. There will be afternoon project time for social studies and science.
SCVi has student teachers for 7th, 4th and 1-2 grade classes. Two of them came to our parent orientation to learn more about SCVi.

We have had two presentations for 2-3 and 4 and K-2 families for Singapore Math showing depth of thinking.

Total enrollment is at 129. Current wait list is 29. 2009/2010 applications are 238. Current ADA is 95%.

Re-enrollment forms went out for next year to survey siblings coming in. New family orientations are turning out to be a lot of fun. Approx 1 – 1.2 to 2 hours.

7th graders had a sweetheart dance for Valentine’s Day and it was a great success.

7. CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REPORT
Courtney Lackey
We are moving forward. April donated the materials for marketing. Our slogan is “Passport to Excellence”. There will be different giving levels and recognition levels. Packages have been distributed to all the dealership locations. If you purchased or service a car from one of our dealerships, please let us know. Met with the Fleming’s of Valencia Acura. Cheri Fleming is a supporter of the Arthritis Walk and wants SCVi to join in. The 2009 Arthritis Walk at Magic Mountain on Sunday, May 3.

Alfred Mann and surrounding businesses will be our next target.

Family participation program - 29 families have participated totaling $6,470.

Andy Hetzel suggested a blog would be good for the school. It is easy revenue at no cost.

International Taste of SCVi will bring together restaurants and wine tasting. We are finalizing a location. All Corked Up said if we do it Monday through Thursday night or we can use their location. We have talked to the Hyatt, and there is a fee involved but they would participate as a restaurant. The date will be Saturday, June 20.

8. GRANTS
April Grossinger
Sharlene Atwood and Ellen Miller have come on board to pin-point which grants are coming up. We meet twice a month and identify appropriate grants and identify how much we are going to ask for. The goal is to get 3 grants out a month. PE grant is being written by Stacy and Amber.

To date we have submitted 8 grants. We were declined by The Walton Foundation. They mostly fund low income. We were also declined by The Eisner Foundation. The City of Santa Clarita gave us $325 for music. Marni Morse submitted to the Airborne Teacher Trust Fund for $9,500. We should know in a couple of weeks. We Just submitted to Henry Mayo Newhall Foundation for $8,362.00 for SMART classroom technology.

We meet again on Monday. We found 3 grants for March.
9. INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP UPDATE
Hopefully have a teaching assistant come next year from Spain. A letter went out to sister school in Valencia, Spain. It is called an English school. Request sent with ideas outlined with blogs, skype, projects going back and forth. Looking at down the road, project together with a charitable aspect. Kids can work on charity here, writing proposals, and possible 8th grade trip.

Implementing international day, last Friday of every month. Teachers have chosen countries. Bulletin board is out front decorated with that country.

Sharlene has school in China that she is trying to set up pen pals and video cams with.

City of Santa Clarita has a sister city program that is being looked into.

Still in need of host families.

Jennifer Doiron talked about the “it” studying that country and splitting classes into 4 groups. All grade levels will be mixed up. All classes will teach a focus of that country. Each Friday of March, every group will filter through each classroom.

Ireland for March
Phillipines for April
Mexico for May

10. PERSONNEL UPDATES
In for next month.

11. COMMITTEE UPDATES
Finance Committee: Sharlene Atwood, Amber Raskin, Dawn Evenson
Personnel Committee: Courtney Lackey, Andy Hetzel, Sharlene Atwood

Committee descriptions to be added to the website.

Dawn Evenson motioned to approve the committees.
Courtney Lackey seconded the motion.
Motion carried, 6:0.

12. TREASURER’S REPORT (see report)
Not much change. Waiting for state funding. We are into line of credit $38,000. Waiting for financials from Bryan to give to the bank for additional line of credit. Trying to meet $50,000 goal. Currently we have $6,500 towards that goal. Meeting with the Development Committee tomorrow.

Sending hardship letter again and Hart still has some in-lieu property tax funds.

13. BOARD MEMBER REPLACEMENT
Community member spot open on the Board. We are looking for interested parties. Tae Chang, professor at CSUN is a great supporter of SCVi. He met with us for technology training for the teachers.

Bylaws of SCVi School Article VIII § 10 – VACANCIES FILLED BY BOARD. Vacancies on the Board of Directors may be filled by approval of the Board of Directors or, if the number of directors then in office is less than a quorum, by (1) the unanimous consent of the directors then in office, (2) the affirmative vote of a majority
of the directors then in office at a meeting held according to notice or waivers of notice complying with Corporations Code § 5211, or (3) a sole remaining director.

Any ideas for open positions are welcome.

14. ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC
This portion of the meeting is set aside for the purpose of allowing an opportunity for individuals to address the Board of Directors.

Jennifer Dorion - 4th grade has made $15 from recycling program.

15. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING ON MARCH 19, 2009
• Board member discussion.
• Increase in line of credit
• Auditor update

16. ADJOURNMENT
Amber Raskin motioned to adjourn.
Dawn Evenson seconded the motion.
Motion carried, 6:0
Amber Raskin adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.