

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VENTURE PREP

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Venture Prep was duly called on November 16, 2015.
Present at the meeting were:

Stephen Dalla Betta	Board President
Drew Bixby	Board Vice President
Kayla McGannon	Board Secretary
Jake Gilmore	Board Member
Justin McMorrow	Board Member
Tim Sznewajs	Board Treasurer
Loren Oranski	Potential Board Member
Erin Quigley	Principal

- I. Welcome – Chair Dalla Betta formally called the meeting of the Venture Prep Board to order. The Board unanimously approved the prior Board meeting minutes which will be placed on the website. Chair Dalla Betta introduced guest and potential board member, Loren Oranski to the Board. Each Board member introduced themselves and spoke to their tenure on the Board. The Board discussed Board member recruitment and encouraged all board members to send their pictures and Bio to Belinda for the website. Chair Dalla Betta went over the Board attestations for DPS for the Charter Renewal Process and asked each Board member to complete the background check requirement as soon as possible.
- II. Finance Committee Update – Chair Dalla Betta provided a financial update to the Board. Board discussed enrollment and the impact on the budget as well as other items pertaining to staff needs and cost and the second semester projections.
- III. Executive Director Report – Erin Quigley provided the Board with an update and overview on the academic program, her major takeaways since starting at Venture Prep and her focus for the academic program for the remainder of the year and next semester. The Board asked questions about leading academic indicators, ACT prep, and the curriculum. The Board discussed the curriculum and spoke with Erin about how the Board can best support her and the needs of the staff and school. The Board spoke to additional resources that may be required to support the school and staff particularly around curriculum development. Erin spoke to the Board about the DPS site visit and the charter renewal process. Recently Jake Gilmore attended the parent meeting at Venture Prep where the facility options were discussed. Parents are interested in a facility that is close to the current Venture Prep site and offers the school and opportunity to grow and flourish in the community. Erin and Kayla provided an overview of their recent conversations with DPS while the Chair spoke to the charter renewal process and how the facility fits in to the long-term planning.
- IV. Strategic Retreat Planning – Chair Dalla Betta provided an overview of the upcoming Strategic Planning Retreat on December 1st – the Chair asked for a Board discussion around the focus themes and target outcomes of the Retreat. The Board requested an overview of the current “state of the school” from Erin with a theme of “where we are” and “where we are going.” The Board voiced an interest in hearing more about Erin’s vision for the school and how the Board can help Venture Prep move from good to great.

V. Open Forum / Public Comment – No Public Comment was heard.

VI. The Chair formally adjourned the meeting of the Venture Prep Board of Directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Minutes are effective as of the date set forth above and adopted as of _____ 2015.

Stephen Dalla Betta, Board Chair Venture Prep