



Voyageur Academy

Board of Directors

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Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

6:35pm

Mission Statement:

The mission of the ***Voyageur School District*** is to prepare students to be ***College Ready and College Bound***.

This mission will be achieved through the foundational pillars of Discipline, Focus, Hard Work, Perseverance and Character; and the humanitarian pillars of Empathy and Compassion.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Curtis Wade
Barbara Smith
Minika Benning
Anita T. Washington
Dale Williams
Robert Redmer
Laura Benedict

Approval of Agenda

The Board will either approve the agenda as presented or amend the agenda with the approval of The Board.

Call to the Public

The meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not considered a public community meeting. Those that may wish to address the Board on agenda items only may do so at this time by being recognized by the chair. There will be a second Call to the Public near the end of the agenda where interested parties may address the Board on any items of their choice. Those that request to address the Board have a maximum of three minutes of which to speak.

**Reading of the Mission,
Vision, and Core Values
Statement**

Consent Items Approval of August 18, 2026 Board Meeting and Annual Organizational Minutes

Correspondence Ferris State September Board Newsletter

**ESP/School
Admin, Contractors**

1. Authorizer Report – Ronnie Phillips
2. ESP Report – Vergil Smith
3. IT Director Report – Jason Rider
4. Security Report – John Clark
5. K-8 School Leader Report – Rod Atkins
6. 9-12 School Leader Report – Patricia Crosson

Discussion Items

1. August Financial Report
2. Student Code of Conduct
3. Mission and Vision Statement

Action Items

1. Approval of August Financial Report
2. Approval of Student Code of Conduct
3. Approval of Revised Mission and Vision Statement

**Board Committee Reports/
Board Individual Comments**

1. Specialized Services Committee
2. Budget Development Committee
3. Academic Excellence Committee
4. Policy Committee
5. Technology Committee
6. Athletic Committee – Meeting September 29th
7. Security Committee – Scheduling date in October
8. Facility-Use Committee

Call to the Public Interested parties may address the Board on any items of their choice. Those that request to address the Board have a maximum of three minutes in which to speak.

Announcements The next Board of Directors meeting will be October 20, 2026 at 6:35pm.

Adjournment

*Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under items II and XII above are requested to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

*Complaints or concerns regarding Board members or school employees associated with the Academy shall first be addressed in writing and delivered to the Board President at least five (5) days prior to the Board meeting or such complaints or concerns shall not be heard by the Board. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public comment during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.