

Veritas Classical Academy
Meeting Minutes - Board of Directors
2026-02-05

Meeting Prompt

Regularly-scheduled meeting. Date and time confirmed at 1/8 board meeting.
Notification posted to VCA website, Facebook and LinkedIn pages on 2/2.

Location

Veritas Classical Academy
913 1st Ave, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
Open to Public

Present

James Denning	Rima DeFatta
Adam Kern	Meghan Bauer
Chris Albertson	Jonathan Gray
Natasha Plank-Ottum	

Absent

Kim Senn

Additional Attendees

Quorum Present (majority): Yes/No

I. Opening

A. Call to Order

1. The regular meeting of the Veritas Classical Academy board of directors was called to order at 6:05pm on February 5, 2026 by James Denning.

B. Roll

C. Mission Statement

D. Agenda Approval

1. **The agenda was unanimously approved.

E. Previous Minutes Approval

1. **The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

II. Officers' Reports

A. President's Report

1. Not present

B. Secretary's Report

1. No non-action or business items to report

C. Treasurer's Report

1. See 1/31/2025 Treasurer's Report
2. Auditor Search Ongoing

D. Headmaster Update

1. Provided updates on the following:
 - a) Enrollment
 - b) Art Teacher Position
 - c) Upcoming Hillsdale Job Fair
 - d) 2026-2027 Academic Calendar
 - e) Podcast Opportunity (Hometown Media)
 - f) Faculty Responsibilities/Recognition

E. Authorizer Update

1. Not in attendance

III. Public Comment

A. Open to public input; limited to 2 minutes per person and 30 minutes total

1. No public input on 2/5

IV. Action Items

A. Bylaw Updates

1. Proposed by Board Structure and Transition Committee
2. Per discussion, the committee is going to revisit some of the proposed changes and circulate a revised version ahead of the next board meeting

B. Board Member Onboarding

1. Oath of Office

MOTION to approve the Oath of Office as outlined. Seconded. **Carried without dissent.**

2. Formal Acceptance Document

- a) Per discussion, the committee is going to revisit some of the document details and circulate a revised version ahead of the next board meeting

V. Unfinished Business

A. DonorSearch Platform

1. \$2100/year expenditure
2. Prorated through 11/8/26 contract date
3. Feedback requested from other prospect sources
 - a) Still awaiting feedback. Meeting set for next week.

MOTION to table. Seconded. **Carried without dissent.**

B. Prospective Board Members (closed session)

1. Update on prospect outreach

VI. New Business

A. No New Business

VII. Committee Updates

- A. Building and Grounds Committee
- B. Marketing Committee
- C. Endowment/Fundraising Committee
- D. Board Structure/Transition Committee
- E. Parent Service Organization (PSO)

MOTION to enter closed session at 6:42pm per state statute 19.85(1)(f). Seconded. **Carried without dissent.**

*Deliberated items marked for closed session.

MOTION to exit closed session at 6:58pm. Seconded. **Carried without dissent.**

VIII. Additions to Agenda

- A. Included inline

IX. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- A. Bylaw Updates
- B. Board Member Onboarding - Formal Acceptance Document
- C. DonorSearch Platform
- D. Prospective Board Members

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm by James Denning. The next regularly-scheduled Board of Directors meeting will be at 6:00pm on March 5, 2026. Agenda information will be posted to the *Veritas Classical Academy - Chippewa Valley* website, Facebook, and LinkedIn pages ahead of the meeting date.

Minutes submitted by: **Chris Albertson - Board Secretary**

Approved by: **Kim Senn - Board President**