



Voyageur Academy

Board of Directors

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Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

6:35pm

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Voyageur K-12 School District is to prepare every student to be ***College Bound and Career Ready***, achieved through Discipline, Focus, Hard Work, Perseverance and Character.

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 September 15, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

Correspondence Ferris State October Board Newsletter

**ESP/School
Admin, Contractors**

1. Maner Costerisan – FY26 Audit Presentation
2. Authorizer Report – Ronnie Phillips
3. ESP Report – Vergil Smith
4. IT Director Report – Jason Rider
5. K-8 School Leader Report – Rod Atkins
6. 9-12 School Leader Report – Patricia Crosson

Discussion Items 1. Expulsion Recommendation for Student # _____

2. September Financial Report
3. Internal Review
4. Ferris State AMP
5. AI Framework
6. Board Student Engagement Connection Activity
7. Cybersecurity Policy

Action Items 1. Approval of Expulsion Recommendation for Student # _____

2. Approval of September Financial Report
3. Approval of Internal Review
4. Approval of Ferris State AMP
5. Approval of Ferris State Competitive Grant Application
6. Adopt Cybersecurity Policy

**Board Committee Reports/
Board Individual Comments**

1. Specialized Services Committee
2. Budget Development Committee – Meeting November 2nd
3. Academic Excellence Committee – Meeting October 27th
4. Policy Committee
5. Technology Committee – Met October 6th
6. Athletic Committee – Met September 29th
7. Security Committee – Cancelled, need to reschedule
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 November 17, 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.