Friends of VSAS Board Meeting Minutes September 14, 2015 2:56-3:51pm Keakealani Campus

<u>Call to order</u>: The meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Daryl Smith at 2:56 pm.

<u>Board members present:</u> David Goodman, Mark Mattice, Daryl Smith, Mara Saltzman and Amalie Dorn.

Board members absent: Ross Rammelmeyer

Guests: Jack Million, Lisa Canale, David Sands, Star Carlin.

<u>Presentation</u>: David Sands of Bamboo Living gave a presentation on building the multipurpose building out of Bamboo. Bamboo is strong and Eco friendly. Cost is about 20% higher than a typical HPM kit of similar size. For a 16' by 16' open space building estimated cost would be around \$170,000. David said that a building like this at a school could be used as a showcase for his company and that they would donate as much as possible to help on cost.

<u>Previous Minutes</u>: Mark Mattice presented previous board minutes from May. **David Goodman, moved to accept the minutes as presented, Daryl Smith seconded; vote was 4 in favor, 1 abstain and none opposed.**

Mark Mattice presented previous board minutes from August. David Goodman, moved to accept the minutes as amended, Daryl Smith seconded; vote was unanimous in favor, none opposed.

<u>Use Permit</u>: Traffic study is complete and has been submitted, Planning Department has 30 days to respond.

<u>By-Laws Committee</u>: The by-laws need to be updated to reflect how many members are on the board of directors. Daryl Smith will research how many were voted on at a previous board meeting. Ross Rammelmeyer has submitted his resignation, we will defer acceptance until the next meeting.

New Market tax credit opportunity grant from Wells Fargo. A possible grant totaling 28% of the appraised value of the new school could be obtained for a rural development school. However it is a lot of paper work with several lawyers (high cost) and takes a long time. Hookupa'a group with Donald Koelper the Grant writer, have informed us of this opportunity.

<u>USDA Loan</u>: The USDA loan has been approved and we signed it. The total loan amount is for \$700,000 however we don't have to borrow any or all of it.

Hydrogen bus alternative: David Goodman, moved to authorize Lisa Canale, VSAS parent volunteer and Peter Serafin, VSAS Bus Driver/Transportation Coordinator, to research

the feasibility of VSAS using hydrogen fueled buses to transport the VSAS students. Further this resolution allows Lisa Canale and Peter Serifin to research and strategize a FVSAS hydrogen bus capital campaign. Amalie Dorn seconded; vote was unanimous in favor, none opposed.

The results of the hydrogen feasibility study and capital campaign will be presented at the December 2015 FVSAS meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: David Goodman moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:51 pm, Mark Mattice seconded; vote was unanimous in favor, none opposed.

Next meeting will be on Monday October 5, 2015 at 2:30 pm at KKL.

Mark Mattice, Secretary

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