

Once again, at just over the halfway point in our school year, there are a few notices to pass on.

First, I would like to thank everyone involved in the Public Speaking event on February 6. As a key part of our Charter vision, it was a great pleasure to hear the skill with which these students delivered their speeches. It is a credit to our school and an important part of what we do.

Second, March is the time set out in our bylaws for the Valhalla School Foundation **Annual General Meeting** which will be held on **Thursday, March 26, 2015 @ 7pm** in the **Viking Room** at the school. If you are a parent or guardian of a child in our school you are automatically a member of the VSF. Interested individuals from the community can become members by signing a Declaration of Understanding, which will be available at the AGM. Such individuals can contact me, if they would like more information about membership.

As always, the AGM involves the election of directors:

Mike Gerow is finishing his term and has decided not to let his name stand for another. Jennifer White will be resigning from her position effective March 19, so the board will be seeking a candidate to fill the remaining year of her term. We would like to thank Mike and Jennifer for their invaluable contribution to the board during their time with us.

Evan Penner has been filling the term vacated by Donna Steyer, which also ends in March. He has agreed to let his name stand for a full 3 year term. Judy Hauger has agreed to let her name stand for the remainder of the term which she has been filling in the interim, ending in March 2017. Thank you to both Judy and Evan for being willing to volunteer their time to the board's work. We look forward to their input.

**This means that the board will be seeking one candidate for a full 3 year term and one candidate for the remaining year of Jennifer's term. One must be a parent or guardian of a child in the school, in order to maintain our majority parent ratio of directors.**

For any of these positions, interested individuals, who are 18 years of age or older, a parent or guardian of a child attending the VCS or a community member who is supportive of the mission of the VCS are able to let their names stand for election as a charter board director. Staff currently employed by the VCS may not be a director. Directors are elected for three year terms. An information package for potential nominees can be picked up at the office or it is available on our website. Part of this package is *The VSF Director Nomination Profile Agreement*, which needs to be signed by anyone entering his or her name as a nominee and returned to the school office by **March 13 at 4 p.m.** The names of the nominees will then be announced to our membership via the school newsletter and the school website.

Finally, thank you for attention. We are grateful for the consideration, support and input we enjoy from our families and community, as we work together to be an effective school. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me another one of the directors.

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