

December 1, 2022

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you to those who attended our on-campus Town Hall meeting on November 10, 2022, to discuss the School Conditional Use Permit ("C.U.P.") application pending with Yavapai County.

The November 10th meeting was challenging for many reasons, and it is not one we wish to repeat. We hope for continued discussions and conversations but with a renewed focus on healthy communication and an eye toward progress and problem-solving. I am grateful for neighbors' comments that they wish for the School to thrive. With collective goodwill, we can resolve the current disagreements.

It is our greatest intention to work together as a community. We appreciate the issues, concerns, and suggestions expressed at the Town Hall. Please know the VVS Board of Trustees, my team, and I have committed to reviewing our needs and your concerns to identify possible alternatives and what projects we need to push forward.

As a first step, we have asked the County to postpone the December 22, 2022, hearing. The new date is February 16th in Cottonwood. As you know, the county posts announcements to determine where and what time and date a public meeting will occur.

In the coming weeks, and after conducting our internal review of the current Letter of Intent for the C.U.P., VVS will host a roundtable discussion with interested neighbors on January 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in Brady Hall. We will use all available resources to extend our invitation to all who wish to attend.

If your community is hosting any gatherings on these topics where I and/or a member of the Board might be a useful and productive participant, please let us know.

Best to you,

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