**MOTION\*: That the Board schedule several well-spaced successive retreats (using the Collaboration Vision Goal as a guide) to focus board discussion on the various ideas stakeholders have contributed regarding the** [**VNC Vision Goals**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/DFCVNCVisionGoalsIdeaMatrix.pdf) **starting with Walkability and subsequently Diversity and Creativity.**

* **As stated in SR20 … “The intent is to create a working framework of integrated strategies capable of achieving, over time, broader consensus and *[measurable steady progress in implementing the*** [**VNC Vision Goals**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/DFCVNCVisionGoalsIdeaMatrix.pdf)***]*”.**
* **I’m suggesting, for starters, using the ideas contained in the** [**VNC Vision Goals Idea Matrix**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/DFCVNCVisionGoalsIdeaMatrix.pdf) **since they are immediately available for stimulating a dialogue and do not preclude the introduction and consideration of other ideas. I further suggest that we begin with a review of the Walkability ideas generated by stakeholders over several years of DFC work. Walkability is the least contentious of the three and more likely to produce a viable strategy.**
* **Minimize confusion by scheduling all retreat meetings at one place (James Beach?) for no more than 3 hours per meeting (allow for continuances as appropriate).**
* **I personally want to hear what VNC board members think and I do not wish to hear what others ‘think we should think’; so I strongly recommend that no time be allocated to non-board-members (politicians or experts or non-board stakeholders).**

**\* This motion assumes that Brainstorming is inherent in Collaboration and that considerations of Participation and Focus on Children will naturally be incorporated into all discussions. This leaves Walkability and Diversity and Creativity as the candidates for retreats per the motion. Prior Board commitment to this concept is necessary to its implementation. Actual procedures to achieve a desirable consensus may vary, but a generic procedural approach appears on the last page of the** [**VNC Vision Goals Idea Matrix**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/DFCVNCVisionGoalsIdeaMatrix.pdf)**. Stakeholder comments germane to these matters can be found at** [**Dialogue On Diversity With Venice Stakeholders**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/DialogueOnDiversityWithVeniceStakeholders.pdf)**.**

**Note to Kris:** This version replaces the two I have already submitted to you. If you incorporate this version as is into the docx version which I assume you will convert into a pdf file for web-posting, the links will take users to the [**VNC Vision Goals Idea Matrix**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/DFCVNCVisionGoalsIdeaMatrix.pdf) which starts with the [**VNC Vision Goals**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/DFCVNCVisionGoalsIdeaMatrix.pdf), thus avoiding the need to create and attach **Exhibit A** as I requested previously. I’ve added the reference to [**Dialogue On Diversity With Venice Stakeholders**](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/DialogueOnDiversityWithVeniceStakeholders.pdf). Thanks. Joe