

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Riverview Charter School
March 17, 2022 6:00pm, Riverview/Zoom**

Mission: *Riverview Charter School's mission is to create a small, diverse learning community that actively engages students in meaningful and innovative learning experiences. Emphasizing "learning by doing," family and community involvement, and engaged citizenship, Riverview is committed to nurturing the whole child and preparing each student for a global society.*

Members Present:

Jonathan Sullivan, Trey Rivers, MJ Simmons, Reece Bertholf, Lamarr Cooler, Kimberly Dudas, Vincent Brennan, Leigh Copeland, Lauren Kelly

Members Present via Zoom:

Carol Smalls-Jenkins

Leadership Team Present: Rob Bechtold, Liz O'Brien, Jenna Gow, Karen Miller, Erica Freeman, AK Harper

Public Present:

Lindsay Kave

1 participant via Zoom.

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:07p.

Approval of the agenda. Kimberly Dudas moves to approve the agenda. Carol Smalls-Jenkins seconds the motion. Unanimous approval of the agenda.

Public Session

We are in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act. Staff, parents, RCS community at large, BCSD, and news outlets notified of the meeting via email on March 15, 2022. Notice posted to school on March 15, 2022.

Public Comment: None

Connecting the Dots: Presenting by Leadership team members - Jenna Gow, Karen Miller and Erica Freeman. They created a powerpoint presentation connecting the Riverview dots across all curriculum areas. Subjects and learning are connected and do not exist in silos.

Presentation can be viewed [here](#).

Topics included:

Social & Emotional Child: Where it starts as exhibited in the morning meeting.

Our students live out our mission through core values through character education.

Physical Child: movement throughout the day to foster a better learning experience.

Recess goes through middle school. Emphasis on wellness. Quality food is served daily.

Aesthetic Child: Visual Arts and performing arts. Naturalist – getting outside.

Ethical Child: internal child development. Talking through problems.

Cognitive Child: Academics in the classroom. Making it stick.

Cycle-based learning groups:

Cycle 1: K-2 Community

Cycle 2: 3-5 Cultures

Cycle 3: 6-8 World

Finance Committee Report: Lamarr Cooler

This year has been a transition year. Cost of staff has shifted a bit with the hiring of additional leadership positions. Some revenue has grown because of an increase in funding (offsets increased costs). In response to the Treasurer's comments about the cost of the additional leadership positions, the Director made the following comments: "Extra staff helped reinvigorate the climate of RCS. Their institutional knowledge was invaluable to our team. It's been a unique year with some additional expenses to fill some holes and rebound from Covid." Rob is growing other resources and revenue streams such as grant writing and increased marketing. Financially we are in a great position this year. See attached financial statements.

Committee Establishment: Reece Bertholf

Committees will be composed of at least one board member, family members, a staff member and community members. Must be FOIA compliant.

We need to look towards sustainability and growth of RCS. Bechtold proposed four committees:

- Executive
- Facilities/ Capital Improvement (4 million pot and its use and then what)
- Finance
- Advancement (to cover fund development and marketing/outreach)

Will begin establishing purpose and goals. Rob will assist in establishing the purpose and goals and will bring to board.

BOARD ACTION 1 -Motion made to approve committees by Lauren Kelly, Jonathan Sullivan seconds. Unanimous approval.

Reece Bertholf will work with the board to make assignments. Every board member will need to be on a committee.

BOARD ACTION 2- Hybrid Board Meetings: Discussion around whether or not to continue with zoom? We will defer and consider asking parents on the end-of-year survey. No action taken.

Director's Report: Robert Bechtold

RCS Board of Directors Performance Expectations reviewed. Enrollment Lottery Procedures were presented and discussed. See attachments.

Approval of the Enrollment Lottery Procedures. Motion made by Leigh Copeland, MJ Simmons seconds. Unanimous approval.

BTR numbers are at 1033 runners. Expecting a few hundred more race day. We are poised to break record for runners.

Research a separate foundation to house BTR funds (so not to mix into operations, etc.)
Volunteers still needed to help on race day.

Consent Agenda: MJ Simmons

January and February minutes reviewed. Motion approved by Jonathan Sullivan, Trey Rivers seconds. Unanimous approval.

Next Board Meeting

April 21, 2022 6:00p

Motion to move into Executive Session pursuant to SECTION 30-4-70 (A) (2) DISCUSSION OF NEGOTIATIONS INCIDENT TO PROPOSED CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS AND PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY, THE RECEIPT OF LEGAL ADVICE WHERE THE LEGAL ADVICE RELATES TO A PENDING, THREATENED, OR POTENTIAL CLAIM OR OTHER MATTERS

COVERED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE, SETTLEMENT OF LEGAL CLAIMS, OR THE POSITION OF THE PUBLIC AGENCY IN OTHER ADVERSARY SITUATIONS INVOLVING THE ASSERTION AGAINST THE AGENCY OF A CLAIM was made by Reece Bertholf, Lauren Kelly seconds. Unanimous approval.

Resumed public Session:

Motion for Rob to sign amendment to RCS contract with School Board by Lazaar Cooler, Trey Rivers seconds, unanimous approval.

Adjourn

Lazaar Cooler makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kimberly Dudas seconds the motion with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 8:35p.