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Riverhead Charter School Board of Trustees

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday, November 28, 2022 at 6:30 pm

RCS Mission Statement

Our mission is to inspire today's learners to become tomorrow's leaders by setting high academic standards, promoting solution-oriented thinking and embracing the cultural diversity of our community.

Trustees Present

Aimee LoMonaco (Remote), David Edwards (Remote), Maria Cintron (Remote), Zenobia Hartfield (Remote), Natasha Jeffries (Remote).

Guest Present

Raymond Ankrum, Nicola Graham, Samantha Camillery (Remote), Taylor Henninger (Remote), Katherine Gang (Remote), Nick Timpone (Remote).

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Aimee LoMonaco called a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Riverhead Charter School to order on November 28, 2022 at 6:32 p.m. The Riverhead Charter School Board of Trustees meeting began with the pledge of allegiance.

C. Approve Minutes

Natasha Jeffries made the motion.

Maria Cintron made the second motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the Minutes motion of October 27, 2022

D. Public Comment



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II. Academic Excellence

A. Superintendent, Mr. Raymond Ankrum

- **Opportunities for Board Learning**
 - Mr. Ankrum spoke about the Board retreat 2022-23. He emphasized scheduling the meeting of all board panel members.
 - The Superintendent revisited the Board Committees.
- **New Fiscal Year 2022-23:**
 - Mr. Ankrum discussed the Annual Gala. Mrs. LoMonaco and Mrs. Cintron reviewed the details of the event.
 - Mr. Ankrum emphasized the following topics:
 - There must be a quorum of board members on site for board meetings.
 - We are looking to add 2 additional board members, one national, one local.
 - The Riverhead Charter school submitted an application for Charter School Growth Fund Seed funding.
- **School Year 2022:**
 - The Superintendent informed that employee recruitment will begin on January 2023.
 - Mr. Ankrum announced the Winter Concert. It will be on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 and Thursday, December 22, 2022. Each grade will be performing a program of pieces about the season and its celebrations to recognize our diverse community.
- **Data Analysis 2022:**
 - RCS is the #1 rated Unionized Charter School in NY State when you combine proficiency levels for both ELA/Math in grades 3-8.
 - Leaders have been working with Vice President of Trustees David Edwards on presenting data to the board.
 - Mr. Timpone presented the Data Overview from ELA and Math with some takeaways and goals.
 - The Director of Academics presented a comparison between Riverhead Charter School and Riverhead Central School District.
 - Mr. Timpone and Mr. McKinney were looking at data from year 2021 to 2022. They analyzed "percent proficient and percent tested".
 - Mr. Timpone advised the following Key Takeaways for ELA 2022:
 - A. Riverhead Charter School (RCS) outscored Riverhead Central School District (RCSD) at every grade 3-8.
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- C. Despite a significant increase in number tested, RCS increased the gap between performance levels when compared to RCSD.
- D. Overall, RCS outscored William Floyd (WFUFSD) and Longwood (LCDS) on the grade 3-8 exam and tested a larger percentage of students.
- E. The majority of the 3-8 charter schools that outperformed RCS came from Success Academy, South Bronx Classical and ICAHN (22/39 schools).
- The director of Academics provided the 2022-2023 ELA goals:
 - Proficiency % goals by grade.
 - 3rd Grade: 55%
 - 4th Grade: 65%
 - 5th Grade: 60%
 - 6th Grade: 60%
 - 7th Grade: 75%
 - 8th Grade: 80%
 - Full implementation of HMH ELA Curriculum.
 - Continued improvement of Guided Reading program.
- Mr. Timpone provided the 2022-2023 ELA School Ranking of Riverhead Charter School VS NYS Charter Schools 2022.
 - Long Island Charter Schools: RCS is Ranked 1 of 5. 1% above #2
 - All 3-8 NYS Charter School: RCS is ranked 41 of 140. 71st percentile.
- Mr. Timpone advised the following Key Takeaways for MATH 2022:
 - A. Riverhead Charter School (RCS) outscored Riverhead Central School District (RCSD) at every grade 3-8.
 - B. RCS tested more students than RSCD at every grade level 3-8.
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7th Grade: 65%

8th Grade: 50%

- Continue implementation of Primary Math International (Japan Math) through 6th grade.
- Add STEAM component to Math Blocks.
- Mr. Timpone provided the 2022-2023 MATH School Ranking of Riverhead Charter School VS NYS Charter Schools 2022.
 - Long Island Charter Schools: RCS is Ranked 3 of 5. 2% behind #1
 - All grades 3-8 NYS Charter School: RCS is ranked 48 of 140. 66th percentile.
- Mr. Timpone informed of the upcoming academic presentations:
 - December: teacher Observations.
 - January: Subgroup Analysis HS Projections.
 - February: HS & College Counseling Programs.
 - March: Special Education and ENL at RCS.
 - May: "RCS Students Present" Preview EOY Events.
 - June: End of the Year Data Review.

III. Finance

A. Director of Finance and Operation Report, Ms. Nicola Graham

- Reported Preliminary (Unaudited) 1st Qtr Balance Sheet and Profit Loss (July 2022 - September 30, 2022).
- The approved Budgeted revenue for fiscal 2022-23 is 16,646,240.
- The Y-T-D recognized revenue is 3,662,815.
- The Approved Budgeted expenses for fiscal 2022-23 is 15,773,643.
- The Y-T-D recognized expenses is 2,524,671.
- Overall, on target for revenues and spending budgeted expenses.
- Discussed Cash Disbursements for October 2022 in detail.
- Presented Finance & Operation Dashboards.
 - All cash accounts are healthy.
 - Informed about the compliance calendar (October 2022).
 - ✓ Served 17 days of Breakfast and Lunch in October (10/5 & 10/10 holiday).
 - ✓ Filed 1st Quarterly Financial Statements as required for continuing disclosure with Bond Trustee.
 - ✓ Annual Survey of Charter School Enrollment & Poverty Status for 2022-23.



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- ✓ Building sign on Elementary School Building.
- ✓ Enrollment target: 947 max and 816 enrollments.

IV. Development

V. Facility

- Mrs. LoMocano provided an update regarding the new possible construction.
- Regarding the Athletic field attached to the High School building, Mrs. LoMonaco informed that the realtor is reaching out to the owner of a Vineyard that owns about 7 acres.

First Motion:

To approve the lease for the extension of the property in Sound Avenue contingent upon the Board of Regents non-material revision.

David Edwards made the motion.

Maria Cintron seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously approved the motion.

Second Motion:

To approve the reduction of retainage from 5% to 3% for Sound Ave and holding the balance in accordance with Park East Construction Corp. contract.

Maria Cintron made the motion.

David Edwards seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously approved the motion.

VI. Governance



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VII. Other Business

VIII. Closing Items

A. Enter Executive Session

N/A

B. Exit Executive Session

N/A

C. Adjourn Meeting

Zenobia Hartfield made a motion to adjourn the meeting of November 28, 2022.

David Edwards seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana M. Salcedo Gomez.