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## Riverhead Charter School Board of Trustees

### Board Minutes

#### Date and Time

Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 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.

#### Board Trustees

David Edwards, Maria Cintron, Aimee LoMonaco, and Zenobia Hartfield.

#### Guest Present

Dr. Raymond Ankrum, Nicola Graham, Kent Cerini, Denney Teets.

#### I. Opening Items

##### A. Record Attendance and Guests

##### B. Call the Meeting to Order

**David Edwards** called a meeting of the Riverhead Charter School Board of Trustees to order on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:50 p.m. The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance.

##### C. Approve Minutes

**Zenobia Hartfield** made the motion.

**Maria Cintron** seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the Minutes motion of August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

##### D. Public Comment



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## II. Academic Excellence

### A. Superintendent, Dr. Raymond Ankrum

- **3-8 Math and ELA Results:**

- Data compared RCS performance to other single-site charter schools.
- Proficiency rates showed improvement, particularly in later grades.
- RCS outperformed both the district and state averages in ELA and math.
- Math proficiency: RCS at 75%, district at 32%, state at 52%.
- ELA proficiency: RCS at 62%, district at 29%, state at 47%.
- RCS is effectively serving economically disadvantaged students and English language learners, with room for improvement in special education.
- Compared to other single-site charter schools in NY, RCS ranked 6th in ELA and showed strong performance in math.

- **High School Regents Scores:**

- 100% passing rate in English Regents.
- 85% passing rate in Algebra 1.
- RCS is outperforming many schools with stronger media presence.

- **School Updates:**

- **Back-to-School Events:**

- The back-to-school barbecue and night were successful, with good family turnout.
- The Hispanic Heritage celebration is scheduled for the following day.

- **Sports:**

- Soccer season has started, with the varsity boys' team securing their first win.
- The JV girls' team also won their recent games.



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- **Other:**

- A school visit from the Black organization took place.
- RCS will host their October legislative breakfast.
- iReady interim assessments are being used to track student progress.

- **Hispanic Heritage Celebration:**

- The event will feature performances by high school students, including singing, dancing, and poetry readings.
- Academic presentations will highlight Hispanic heritage's cultural and intellectual contributions.
- Families will bring food and craft activities and videos showcasing dances from different Hispanic countries.

### **III. Finance**

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

- **Unrestricted Cash:** \$14,588,597 (all accounts healthy)
- **Restricted Cash:** \$3,858,537 (all accounts healthy)
- **District Billing:** The first 2024/2025 school year installment has been issued. The school is serving 974 students from 16 districts.

- **Inspections & Maintenance:**

1. Annual fire alarm system inspection completed successfully, with some floodlight updates.
2. Fire extinguisher and fire hydrant inspection conducted. The fire hydrant box outside the middle school required part replacements, costing \$11,995.
3. Annual testing and maintenance of backflow prevention devices completed.

- **Title Grants:**



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1. Title I through Title IV grants are in line with the budgeted amounts, with an accumulative difference of about \$2,000.
2. Title V grants received an increase of \$6,000, which will be used to support the special education department with data and programming needs.
3. **Cash Disbursements:** July disbursements mainly consisted of renewals, dues, subscriptions and monthly payments, with no out-of-the norm expenses worth highlighting at this time.

**IV. Development**

**V. Facility**

**VI. Governance**

**VII. Other Business**

**VIII. Closing Items**



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**A. Enter Executive Session**

**David Edwards** made a motion to enter executive session at 7:11PM.

**Maria Cintron** seconded the motion.

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

**B. Exit Executive Session**

**David Edwards** made a motion to exit executive session at 7:37PM.

**Maria Cintron** seconded the motion.

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

**C. Adjourn Meeting**

**David Edwards** made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM.

**Zenobia Hartfield** 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 7:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Diana M. Salcedo Gomez.**