

**Ridge View Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
MINUTES  
Thursday August 17, 2017  
9:00 AM**

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**I. Call to Order**

- A. 9:00 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Roll Call
  - 1. Nancy Spence-President
  - 2. Bob Eikermann- Treasurer
  - 3. Pat Hayes- Member
  - 4. Mike Griebel- Member
  - 5. Craig Bowman- Member
  - 6. Brian Weaver-Member
  - 7. Jason Stover- Member
  - 8. Elton Jones- Ex Officio Member
  - 9. Others in Attendance:
    - i. Kent Moe- Executive Director
    - ii. Ed Cope- RVA Principal
    - iii. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
    - iv. Kelly Waldrop- Administration Assistant
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - 1. Mr. Bowman moves. Ms. Hayes seconds.

**II. Action Items**

- A. Approval of April Meeting Minutes
  - 1. Mr. Bowman moves. Ms. Hayes seconds.
- B. Approval of June Meeting Minutes
  - 2. Ms. Hayes moves. Mr. Griebel seconds.

**III. Principal's Report – Ed Cope**

- A. RVA Report
  - a. Current population: 197. 72 SPED and 84 DHS Students.
  - b. 39 intakes and exits as of 8/11/17.
- B. Nearly 100% retention for teachers. In need of a math teacher. New culinary teacher is doing well and is also tutoring students.
- C. End of Year Evaluations for teachers complete.
- D. RVA Students took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Denver Street Fair Mural Contest.
- E. Habitat for Humanity project- walls will be completed by the beginning of October.
- F. Two students are participating in the Southwest Carpenters Training fund and doing well.
- G. RVA now has four full computer labs for Video Game Production and STEM/Robotics.
- H. Summer Games went well. Jason Lane will be the Athletic Director for RVA.
- I. Mr. Weaver and Dr. Cope will discuss potential agreement with Community Resources that will highlight local employers and mentorships.

**IV. Betty K. Marler, Meadowlark Academy, and DeNier Reports- Kent Moe**

- A. Marler- 41 students, with a waitlist. Fully staffed.
- B. Marler's graduation was August 9, 2017.

- C. Senior Prom with Marler and CO Q House went well and community members volunteered in various activities with the students.
- D. The Board would like to recognize the County Commissioner's Office for hosting and volunteering at the prom.
- E. Q House- 100% employment for all students.
- F. Denier will be hiring a new director. Will have 6 beds for ASAM students. Currently have 15 students.
- G. Karen Murray will be the Compliance Manager in the Mountain Region.
- H. Mr. Jones- RVA Length of Stay (LOS) is 5.1 months for county admissions, 13 months for state admissions.
- I. Meadowlark- 11 students. LOS is 120 days or less. School walk-through for accreditation is this week.

**V. Finance Report –Bob Eikermann and CJ Bower**

**VI. Standing Committees**

- A. Transition Committee – Mike Griebel
  - a. Over the last couple of months, \$7,000 have been granted for school expenses, housing assistance.
  - b. 3 applications have been tabled until next meeting.
  - c. Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- B. Accountability Committee – Dr. Cope
  - a. Visits went well. Dr. Cope will send out notes.
  - b. Next meeting will be Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

**VII. President's Report – Nancy Spence**

- A. Ms. Fairley is requesting a leave of absence due to health reasons.
  - a. Resolution to approve leave of absence for Ms. Fairley
    - i. Ms. Hayes moves. Mr. Eikermann seconds.

**VIII. Community Advisory Board –Doug MacCarthy**

- A. Wine Tasting event will be October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
  - a. Event will include silent auction. Please let Mr. MacCarthy or Ms. Waldrop know if you have any items to be donated.

**IX. Adjournment**

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

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**Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**  
September 17, 2017 at Ridge View Academy

**Ridge View Academy Graduation**  
Graduation- December TBD

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**Community Advisory Board Meeting, Jerry Adamek:**  
Next Meeting- TBD

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10:00 AM**

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  - 2. Pat Grippe- Vice President
  - 3. Pat Hayes- Member
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    - iii. Jerry Adamek- Consultant
    - iv. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
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- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - 1. Ms. Hayes moves. Mr. Bowman seconds.

**II. Action Items**

- A. Approval of August Meeting Minutes
  - 1. Ms. Hayes moves. Mr. Bowman seconds.

**III. Principal's Report – Ed Cope**

- A. RVA Report
  - a. Current population: 199.
  - b. 46 intakes and 57 exits as of 9/11/17.
- B. Nearly 100% retention for teachers. Former math teacher will be returning. Suggestion is to consider salary increases for teachers to be competitive with the Denver Metro Area.
- C. Barbering teacher will be leaving at the end of September. Interviewing for replacements.
- D. Football and Cross Country teams are doing well as a team.
- E. Completed teacher evaluation interviews. When asked about how they would like to be recognized, most teachers responded with informal "thank you" at graduation, but most said they do not like to be in the spotlight.
- F. Gifted and Talented Program- identification screen for gifted and talented (MAP testing for initial screening and then an additional IQ test). Create a checklist to recognize talented and gifted students, including athletics.
- G. October count will be on September 26, 2018.
- H. Robert Gaston and Ed Cope will be attending the state level Colorado Association of Gifted and Talented Conference in Loveland, CO.
- I. Mr. Grippe provided articles regarding the building trades in secondary schools in response to new state law to include information on trades, not just colleges. A suggestion is put together an

approach to integrate a consistent and comprehensive plan for the trades. Community colleges or trade schools such as Pickens to continue education after students are released from RVA.

- J. Follow-up: Invite Mr. Moe to the next CTE meeting so that we can begin to identify someone who can go out into the community for partnerships.

**IV. Facilities Reports- Kent Moe**

- A. Marler- 41 students. Fully staffed.
- B. Q House- 13 students. 100% employment for all students. 6 RAMS, 6 Block R Students.
- C. Denier- 16 students. Will be hiring a new director.
- D. Meadowlark- 13 students. 8 males, 5 females. Approved as a facility school.
- E. Approved for facility school at ROP Jeffco. Approved with Conditions for Sage Residential Center in Alamosa.
- F. Background checks, drug testing is taking up to 5-7 weeks for new hires.

**V. Treasurer's Report –Ed Cope**

**VI. Standing Committees**

- A. Transition Committee – Mike Griebel
  - a. Approved student for school and housing expenses.
  - b. Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 11, 2017.
- B. Accountability Committee – Mr. Bowman
  - a. Visits went well. Next meeting will be Sunday, D

**VII. President's Report – Nancy Spence**

- A. Resolution- Resolution to pursue a long-term lease of the campus, all buildings and grounds of Ridge View Academy. This will also allow RVA the ability to accept youth that are not court-involved.
  - a. Unanimous approval. Resolution signed by Board President.

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- A. RVA Report
  - a. Current population: 197, 82 SPED, 78 DHS.
  - b. October count: 191.
- B. State cycling competition in eagle on Saturday, RVA has two kids in the competition.
- C. Homecoming is on Saturday, October 21, 2017.
- D. Cross-country district event in Lyons today, October 19, 2017.
- E. The RVA Robotics Program received a grant and stipend to allow for an engineer to work with the students. Thank you to Mr. Bob Sutherland for facilitating.
- F. Mr. MacCarthy provided a free financial literacy resource. Dr. Cope will look into it.
- G. Dr. Cope looking into a DPS and CDE waiver for the ICAP requirement. Seeking an exception for high turnover or non-traditional schools. A 6 month LOS is a fair minimum to complete an ICAP.
- H. Continue discussion on providing opportunities for higher education for teachers. Dr. Cope will begin contacting local universities and report out in upcoming board meetings.
- I. Mr. Townsend and RVA's metal manufacturing students presented. The program includes safety, job placement, working towards requirements for specialized certification (through employers), all types of welding techniques, manufacturing, blueprint reading, brazing. Students can use hours and training at RVA to continue onto further education.

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- C. Denier- Fully staffed. Mr. Wood is overseeing Denier until a permanent director is identified.
- D. Meadowlark- 13 students. 8 males, 5 females. Approved as a facility school.
- E. Added two emergency beds at Jeffco facility.
- F. Resolution process: should hear more next month on progress.
- G. Background checks, drug testing is taking up to 5-7 weeks for new hires.

**V. Treasurer's Report –Ed Cope**

**VI. Standing Committees**

- A. Transition Committee – Mike Griebel
  - a. No applications this month.
  - b. Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 8, 2017.
- B. Accountability Committee – Mr. Bowman
  - a. Next meeting- December 17, 2017

**VII. President's Report – Nancy Spence**

- A. Update Board roster and photos on the Ridge View webpage. Ms. Spence will speak to IT manager at Ridge View.
- B. Volunteer and Teacher Recognition- suggestion is to have a reception in the RAM's Lounge in the spring. Solicit ideas from teachers at the next Teacher Leadership meeting.

**VIII. Community Advisory Board –Doug MacCarthy**

- A. Great turnout for the Wine Event. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated. Final accounting will be available next month.
- B. It is suggested to put the video presented at the Wine Event on the Ridge View website for a visual representation of the programs at Ridge View.

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**II. Action Items**

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  - 1. Approved.

**III. Principal's Report – Ed Cope**

- A. RVA Report
  - a. Our current population count is 198. 80 DHS students, 118 DYS students, and 79 Sped students. We had zero AWOLs in the month of November.
- B. We completed the CSPR Title 1 N&D survey for the Colorado Department of Education (CDE)
- C. Moving forward with the Opportunity Measures Consortium. More information will be available at the next meeting.
- D. Wood-Tech students returned from their Habitat for Humanity project in late October. All of the students and staff involved felt the experience was remarkable. They completed a house for a needy family in Alamosa after building the walls at RVA. .
- E. Nov. 6 we held an assembly from the Colorado Department of Transportation on Teen Driver Safety Awareness.
- F. Update on ICAP waiver: DPS that we will only be responsible for seniors who are scheduled to graduate.
- G. Ridge View graduation ceremony directly after meeting in the gymnasium.

**IV. Facilities Reports- Kent Moe**

- A. Marler- 8 post-secondary students, 16 with diplomas.
- B. Denier- Numbers are still low.
- C. Meadowlark- 20 students.
- D. El Pueblo opportunity discussed. Board will hold a vote in January regarding making a formal proposal.
  - a. Ms. Hayes moves; Mr. Bowman seconds.

**V. Treasurer's Report –Ed Cope**

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- B. Accountability Committee – Mr. Bowman
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**Betty K. Marler Youth Services Center**  
Monthly Report  
December/January of 2018

**Personnel:**

**New staffing structure for 2017-2018 School Year**

**SPED Director-** David Molineux -Special Education Director.

**English and SPED Teacher-** Krystal Smith will be returning as our 2017/18 English teacher.

**Technology and SPED Teacher-** Jason Wagner will be returning as our 2017/18 Technology/Social Studies teacher.

**Registrar:** Katherine Smith will return as our 2017/18 registrar.

**Science and SPED Teacher-** Mr. Bjork will be returning as our 2017/18 Science Teacher

**Social Studies and SPED Teacher-** Mr. Hernandez has accepted the position of Social Studies.

**Math and SPED Teacher-** Ms. Drake will be returning as our 2017/18 Math Teacher.

**Enrollment:** As of January 17, 2018 we have 41 students. Of the 41 students, 8 require special education services, 24 are regular education students and 9 require post-secondary services.

**Events**

**Upcoming event:**

- Graduation: March 7, 2018 at 4 PM.
- Quarter two ends this 1-19-22 and third quarter will start 1-22-18.
- Data Walks Training State of Colorado Facility Schools
- GED Testing process going very well at Ridgeview Academy! Thank you for your support.
- State Testing will be April 9<sup>th</sup> through April 20, 2018. Make up testing April 23-27<sup>th</sup>.
- Graduating class of 7students for our March 7<sup>th</sup> graduation ceremony!