

**Ridge View Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday October 18, 2018
9:00 AM**

The Mission of the Ridge View Academy Board of Education is to ensure that Ridge View Academy, the Betty K. Marler Center, the Robert E. DeNier Center, and the Qualifying House provide a rigorous individualized educational program which includes a teaching/learning approach that promotes academic success, personal accountability, and essential skills that will enable our students to be contributing members of society.

I. Call to Order

- A. 9:04 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Roll Call: Quorum present
 - a. Nancy Spence-Board Chairman
 - b. Pat Grippe- Vice-Chairman
 - c. Bob Eikermann-Treasurer
 - d. Pat Hayes- Member
 - e. Mike Griebel, Member
 - f. Jerry Adamek- Member
 - g. Others in Attendance:
 - i. Ski Broman- Chief Operating Officer
 - ii. Kent Moe- Executive Director- Mountain Region
 - iii. Ed Cope- RVA Principal
 - iv. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
 - v. Kyle Logan of *Logan & Associates, LLC Certified Public Accountants*
 - vi. Lueviner Young- Administrative Coordinator
- C. Absent: Brian Weaver, Member; Craig Bowman, Secretary; Jason Stover, Member
- D. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
 - Motion to Approve Pat Grippe; Seconded Jerry Adamek; Discussion None; Approval All

II. Action Items

- A. Approval of September 2018 Meeting Minutes
 - Pat Hayes Moves; Bob Eikermann Seconded; Discussion None; Approval All

III. Principal's Report – Ed Cope

- A. RVA Report
 - a. 144 combined total populations of DHS and DYC youths
 - b. Math teacher resigned returning to Counseling Profession- position will not be refilled
 - c. PCR Engineer for Robotics program and Construction instructor are positions that will not be filled
 - d. ASE Certified Testing Center
 - e. Student Behaviors: Problematic behaviors more challenging inside the classrooms for instructors, due to not having ReFocus- no in-school suspension
In-School Day Center as alternative for ReFocus
 - f. Laurel Erickson- Corporate Office- Assisted with writing Anti-Bullying Grant
 - g. Restructuring RAM program for better efficacy and more accountability
 - h. Dr. Joy Larson Davids- Colorado Rockies game
 - i. Mentors and students engage each other during program
- B. 2018 School Performance Framework Outcomes
 - a. Alternative School Framework

- b. Ridge View Academy ranked 6th out 19 DPS alternative schools: 2016, 2017, 2018 RVA has performed in Yellow (meets)
 - c. Capstone- customize solutions for classroom instructions matching curriculum needs
Create a portfolio CMASS/PSAT to demonstrate proficiency in math
 - e. Roadblocks to successful education outcome: Lack of motivation for students to succeed
 - f. Denver Public School District need to re-evaluate At-Risk youths on standardize test
 - g. Summit Academy- the student body makeup is 55 percent male and 45 percent female, and the total minority enrollment is 94 percent. Summit Academy is 1 of 50 high schools in the School District No.1 in the County of Denver and the State of Colorado- ranked #1. What is Summit Academy doing that Ridge View Academy could implement to improve overall school performance?
- C. **21st Century Grant** Update (Alana Sheffield) Library Literacy Mentoring Program opens from 9:00AM-4:00PM with 25 mentees and mentors engaging in various activities, such as book reading, board games, conversation, etc...
- 1. Book Club currently reading *Last of the Breed* by author Louis L'Amour
 - 2. Tutors are provided for the male mentees on Tuesday and Thursday nights which assists in promoting literacy and homework assignments
 - 3. Challenges: Commitment for more mentors. State impeding clearance to work with students
 - 4. Characteristics of Mentor: Young professional men dedicated to giving back to the community.
*Doug MacCarthy develop 1-page mentor requirement for RVA board members to assist with recruiting mentors for the program
 - 5. Board invited to attend
 - 6. What is the program's Evaluation Model
 - 7. The 21st Century Grant is a 3-year funded project:
*Mentors receive a traveling stipend
* Personal budgeted Coordinator
* Advertising/Miscellaneous budgeted for Social Marketing

IV. ROP Report & Update- Ski Broman

- A. Ridge View Academy, Robert Denier Detention Center, and Betty K. Maler contract updates
- B. New Direction for restraints: Phasing out JIREH and Exploring new techniques
- C. Movement away from correctional towards individualized treatment
- D. Director of Compliance-
- E. Possibility of different category for RVA
- F. Special Needs Unit
- G. 30-Day Stabilization Program
- H. Approximately 120-150 students (50 students from county doing RVA program; RAMS, ect...)
- I. *Them* by author Joyce Carol Oates

V. ROP Report- Kent Moe

- A. Ridge View Academy: Preparing for CARF Accreditation
- B. CARF Surveyors Site Schedule- Arrival and Exit
- C. CARF PowerPoint Presentation-
 - a. How we use data
 - b. Qualitative improvement

- c. Process of governance
- D. Per Diem Rate increase 164.00-219.00 per county student
- E. Alamosa- Open House Scheduled
- F. ROP Jeffco- 8 Students
- G. Meadowlark Academy- 31 Students (36 visitors)

VI. Finance Report – Bob Eikermann

- A. Explanation of Monthly Budget Expenditures
- B. Key Performance Indicators
- C. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
- D. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund- Golf Tournament funds were moved to the Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
- E. New budget based on 160 students- with class average about 6
- F. \$140,000.00 in the Red

VII. Standing Committee Report- Mike Griebel

- A. 2 Standard Application Submitted for Review and Approval
- B. Evelyn Freeman- Approval 900.00 (540.00 Bus Pass; 400.00 Walmart Gift Card)
- C. Gideon Long- Approval 1585.00 (1085.00 Reimbursement on Apartment Deposit @50% reimbursement; 500.00 Walmart Gift Card)
- D. Craig Bowman Accountability Committee Report
 - a. Meeting update- Prepared letter by Craig Bowman read aloud
 - b. Charter School Relationship

VIII. RVA 2018 Annual Audit Report- Kyle Logan, CPA

IX. Future Direction of RVA- Vice Chairman Pat Grippe

- A. **Action Item:** Motion to Table review and discussion on the Future Direction of Ridge View for next board meeting on November 15th by Nancy Spence; Seconded by Pat Grippe

X. Bids For Kids Update- Doug MacCarthy

- A. Vehicle Vault contribute
- B. No final numbers for event
- C. Children Hospital collaborate with RVA on marketing film for fundraising
- D. Action Item: Motion to produce marketing film with Children’s Hospital by Nancy Spence; Seconded by Jerry Adamek; Discussion None; Approval All

XI. Board Chairman Report- Nancy Spence

- A. Principal’s evaluation
- B. Letter of Resignation for Jason Stover-Member of RVA School Board- read aloud

XII. Adjournment 12:49 PM

Motion to adjourn by Nancy Spence; Seconded by Pat Grippe, Discussion None: Approval All

Next Board Meeting Scheduled for November 15th @ 9:00AM-12:00PM

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

All board members are invited to attend these meetings and events

Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:

October 28, 2018 at Ridge View Academy

Ridge View Academy Graduation:

December-TBD

Betty K. Marler Steering Committee:

Meets Bi-Monthly, 2nd Monday at 2:00PM at Betty K. Marler Center

Transition Meeting, Mike Griebel:

Meets Monthly, Second Wednesday at 12:30 PM at YOS Office, 800 Grant Street, Denver