

**Ridge View Academy  
School Board Meeting  
Agenda  
Thursday, May 16, 2019  
9:00 AM**

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**I. Call to Order**

- A. 9:00 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Roll Call: Quorum Present
  - a. Patricia Hayes-Member
  - b. Patrick Grippe- Vice Chairman
  - c. Nancy Spence-President
  - d. Jerry Adamek- Member
  - e. Elton Jones- Ex -Officio
  - f. Craig Bowman- Secretary
  - g. Mike Griebel-Member-excused
  - h. Bob Eikermann- Treasurer
  - i. Brian Weaver- Absent
  - j. Others in Attendance
    - i. Kent Moe- Executive Director, Mountain Region
    - ii. Ed Cope- Principal RVA
    - iii. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
    - iv. Autumn Boyer-Administrative Coordinator
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to approve meeting agenda by Patricia Hayes; seconded by Craig Bowman; all in favor; none opposed.

**II. Action Items**

- A. Approval of April 18, 2019 Minutes by Pat Grippe; seconded by Patricia Hayes; all in favor; none opposed.

**III. Principal's Report- Dr. Ed Cope, RVA Principal**

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
  - a. Student population: 108 today: Would like to hit 140 as of next month
  - b. Teacher Movements: 3 teachers moving on from RVA this year; all very pleased with their time at Ridgeview
  - c. May need to hire a new history teacher
- B. 2020 Budget
  - a. RVA may need to drop a program, or will need to dip into reserves. Need to be at approximately 150 students to make all programs work.
  - b. Increase in school finance: 336 per kid increase this year
  - c. Staff development dropped to 15k
  - d. Will need to cut 170k-220k for next year's budget to balance out
- C. Charter Renewal Update: meeting was Monday, representatives coming to September board meeting: Rubric changes, frustrations continue regarding scores on rubrics
  - a. Finished spring map testing with 80-90 percent of students giving effort
- D. Welding Student Report: Students presented their helicopter project
- E. Grants Update
  - a. Growth Through Connections: identified the 5 teachers who will receive training and will bring this back to RVA. They will come to Ridgeview to ensure teachers are using the training
  - b. Capturing Kids Hearts: Coming to RVA August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> and would like to go offsite for training

F. Rugby is preparing for play offs, and soccer is beginning

**IV. Facility's Report Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director- Mountain Region**

A. Colorado Affairs and Rate increase

- a. Many changes occurring with DYS: We have been able to exit challenging kids and accept more malleable kids for our program
- b. Many admissions in the last two weeks; getting students straight from assessment
- c. There is movement of students to Cincinnati, Wyoming, and Arizona
- d. Minna Cohen: Meeting with Kent Tuesday to discuss regulatory relief; looking to prevent kids from walking away from campus and implement more robust searches

B. Sage update/ DYS Update

- a. After 3 rounds of negotiation with DYS to pay us, Sage will close
- b. Without our detention program in the Valley, officers will have to transport kids to Pueblo; there is discussion regarding transportation contract; legislators not currently involved

C. School Resource Officer: Looking into one for RVA; now a normal role in public schools; hours would be during graduations, games, events, and visits

- a. Discussion of RVA's relationship with Arapahoe County Sheriff's Dept.; working to get Sheriff out to Ridgeview to meet with Kent and discuss licensing issues
- b. Pat Hayes would like to be sensitive to how an SRO may change the culture on our campus

D. Legislative Wrap Up- Jeff Thormodsgaard

- a. Presented CAFCA report
- b. Fighting for better child welfare rates
- c. Discussed targeted rate adjustments
- d. SB108 passed and starts June 30<sup>th</sup> this year
- e. Jeff to meet with board members later this month

**V. Student Report-Welding Program- Mr. Townsend**

**VI. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO-Presented by Ed Cope**

A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units

- a. CJ states this month was excellent
- b. Lost 34k this month; 319k in the red for 2018, hoping to reduce this to <300k
- c. Pat Grippe discussed loses from Marler and other facilities
- d. Pat Grippped moved that the board send letter to CJ regarding loses from absorbing ROP's debt; seconded by Craig Bowman and Pat Hayes

B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow

C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund

- a. 114k in the fund

**VII. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel: Excused**

**VIII. Golf Tournament- Michelle Stefancic:**

June 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:15am shotgun start; could use donations and volunteers

**IX. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**

Next accountability meeting set for June 30<sup>th</sup>. No update this month

**X. CAB Report- Doug MacCarthy**

- a. Doug will provide clarity on chairman's letter that was sent
- b. PR video is a work in progress; waiting on fact sheet from PR group
- c. IBM gave 2000 dollars for charity event coming up

**XI. President's Report- Nancy Spence**

A. Request from Matt Segovia: board not interested in assisting unless it can be used for board things

B. Vote on new board member, Bianca Jones

Motion to accept moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Jerry Adamek

C. Vote on the proposed slate of officers as follows:

- a. President: Jerry Adamek
- b. Vice President: Mike Griebel
- c. Secretary: Craig Bowman
- d. Treasurer: Bob Eikermann

Motion to accept the slate moved by Pat Hayes; seconded by Pat Grippe; all approved, none opposed

D. Jerry Adamek: Next meeting will focus on getting agenda set for Michelle Barnes meeting

## **XII. Adjournment AM**

Motion to adjourn at 12PM by Pat Hayes; Discussion None: Approval All

### **Next Meeting:**

Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 1:30PM

## **NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

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### **Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**

June 30, 2019 at Ridge View Academy

### **Ridge View Academy Open House and Graduation**

June 20, 2019

### **Transition Meeting**

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  - Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda by Nancy Spence; Seconded Pat Grippe; Discussion None; Approval All

**II. Action Items**

- A. Motion to Approve March 21, 2019 meeting minutes by Nancy Spence; meeting was seconded; Discussion None; Approval All

**III. Principal's Report – Dr. Ed Cope**

- A. Student Population
  - a. 106 as of 4/18/19
  - b. About 43 DHS students and 42 SPED students. We have more AWOLs than we would like
- B. State Testing completed last week
  - a. Higher numbers of kids opting out of testing- Cannot send kids to refocus for refusing to test
  - b. Students who tested did well, and were able to participate in on site activities last Friday
  - c. Students who showed proficiency will have a pizza party
- C. Robotics competition overview
  - a. Students and Mr. Hertz came in to speak about their robot and the competition
  - b. Team placed 34<sup>th</sup> out of 58 teams- only had 3 students compete, but they did very well
- D. Division of Youth Services site monitoring on 4.17.19 went well.
- E. Two Grants Accepted

- a. Capturing Kids Hearts: motivating kids through relationships
- b. Growth Through Connections will come to train 5 teachers on this
- F. Three teachers leaving after this school year
  - a. Jeana Russle presented her case for continuing education through our new Florida facility
    - i. Has been with RVA for two years as a science teacher and the soccer coach
    - ii. Previously worked for a psychiatric residential facility
  - b. Two others moving out of the country
- G. Sydney Johnston has resigned. Ed Cope will be assisting with her duties.
- H. US Government Accountability Office sending representative to RVA April 25, 2019 at 9am
- I. Brian Weaver would like teachers to be empowered and humbled by earning extra trainings and education through the grants we have received
- J. Charter Renewal Meeting: Ed and Nancy will attend on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm at DPS

**IV. Facility's Reports & Updates- Kent Moe**

- A. Big thank you to the board members for their follow through and commitment to this program.
- B. Reminder that we are facing a substantial rate increase in July, and would like to keep costs low until that time.
- C. Ridgeview is managing self-harming issues that arise within our population.
  - Discussion regarding family first and behavioral health efforts
- D. Public relations efforts
  - Kent and Doug continue working on Ridgeview's video and reflecting the character of the facility
- E. Juvenile Justice Reform
  - a. SB 108 discussion: Still sitting in judiciary committee.
  - b. Pete Lee is in support of Ridgeview being able to pursue kids who AWOL. This is a work in progress
- F. Tours
  - a. Allison Hiltz toured Ridgeview. Kent is in contact with her, as well as Pete Lee's assistant
  - b. Michelle Barnes, Anders Jacobson, and Minna Cohen to tour RVA June 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am

**V. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann**

- A. Key performance Indicators
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash flow
  - Decrease in budgeted expenses continues, due to decreased student population
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
  - There is approximately \$114,187
- D. Nancy expressed the importance of keeping the teacher scholarship fund
  - Class sizes are also a concern as far as feeling connected

**VI. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel**

- A. Approved Transition Applications
  - i. From April meeting, 3 proposed requests/ 2 were approved
    - 1. Student from Ghana presented with \$500 for rent
    - 2. Alejandro Duran presented with \$500 to assist with transition
- B. Denied and/or Tabled Transition Applications
  - 1. Brenden Davis: Tabled to allow him to provide a more acceptable behavioral report

**VII. Nominating Committee- Pat Hayes and Pat Grippe**

- A. Nominating committee proposed the following slate of officers:
  - a. President- Jerry Adamek
  - b. Vice President- Mike Griebel
  - c. Secretary- Craig Bowman

d. Treasurer- Bob Eikermann

**VIII.** **Accountability Committee**, Craig Bowman

- A. Stated that from his march visit, he noticed numbers are down; but students and parents continue being grateful for the program. Craig did chat with a student from the Q House who had a poor experience there. Some parents were concerned about low numbers of programs/ activities available for kids, however ROP has not cut any programs. Craig mentioned the need for customer feedback and satisfaction to use for marketing. There are grandparents and family members advocating for ROP programs, though we would like to know why some parents are unhappy with certain things here.
- B. Brian Weaver suggests making RVA more normalized and inviting parents to activities on-site, such as a BBQ.
- C. Pat Hayes suggested updating alumni pictures in the lobby.
- D. School board members suggested bringing a monthly newsletter back. This will be discussed with Ed Cope.

**IX.** **CAB Report**, Doug MacCarthy

- A. Fundraiser is August 17th. We are looking for other sponsors. All Board members, friends and families are encouraged to attend
- B. Discussion of Roger Allot Fund and donations to Meadowlark kids

**X.** **President Report-** Nancy Spence

Discussion of Bianca Jones becoming new board member

**XI.** **Adjournment AM**

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

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    - v. Michelle Stefancic-Administrative Coordinator
  - g. Absent: Jerry Adamek- Member, Pat Hayes-member
- D. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda by Craig Bowman; Seconded Pat Grippe; Discussion None; Approval All

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- A. Motion to Approve February 21, 2019 meeting minutes by Bob Eikermann; Seconded by Mike Griebel; Discussion None; Approval All

**III. Principal's Report – Dr. Ed Cope**

- A. Student Population
  - a. 107 as of 3/21/19
  - b. About 40% DHS
- B. Heather Gaenzle attended as RVA teacher guest
  - a. Came from Marler for a short time before coming to RVA
  - b. Teaches math, working on masters in SPED
- C. Robotics competition has begun downtown, will continue Friday and Saturday, all welcome
- D. Budget is concerning
- E. Career day was a success
  - a. Students were engaged and enjoyed the guests. Behaviors were great
- F. SAT and PSAT practice tests are in full force, thanks to Ms. Hoffman
- G. MAP test scores were also good
- H. Sydney Johnston is helping with state mandated portfolios for students entering college
  - a. She's helping with classes and supporting teachers

- I. Ms. Holt is moving to our Texas facility and will be missed.
- J. There has been some difficulty with kids not being on time to school and following program
  - a. Group living staff have been supportive in keeping the kids engaged and keeping behavior positive
  - b. The loss of refocus has been difficult, but the new therapeutic time out is working well.
  - c. DAPS have become important for kids as they are having negative behaviors, as well as study hall. It has become incentive-based instead of consequential for the behaviors.

#### **IV. Facility's Reports & Updates- Kent Moe**

- A. Re-purpose of RV is no longer a threat.
- B. 2 rate increases have been approved for RCCF programs, beginning July 1, 2019
  - i. Other states have start-up ROP programs, to include Florida and Arkansas
- C. ROP will help incur some of the costs from Betty Marler to relieve RVA budget deficit
- D. Numbers are increasing as far as incidents and over-crowding in most facilities.
  - i. 15 % understaffed, difficulty with hiring employees, OT an issue
  - ii. New Director of CDHS will hopefully look closely at the licensing issue around the handling of the kids in these facilities.
  - iii. Doug asked about the "black cloud" surrounding ROP, Kent is working on the video
  - iv. ROP's metrics look much better than the above mentioned programs
- E. RVA school board members are invited to attend the ROP retreat being held April 9
  - a. Pete Lee will be a guest speaker
  - b. ROP LEAP program will be highlighted and a formal graduation will be held for the current LEAP graduates. Praying Hands Ranch, Zion church member volunteers, Youth for Christ and Our Lady of Loreto volunteers will all be recognized as well. Doug MacCarthy suggested the Robotics volunteers be recognized as well.
- F. CARF accreditation is in effect for Qhouse, JeffCo and Alamosa, visit from the surveyors will be the week of March 25.
- G. Headwater Strategies is working well for ROP
  - a. 1 year contract signed
- H. Mr. Thormosgaard
  - a. Requested meeting with the new CDHS director, waiting for response
  - b. SB 108 is being looked at, Jeff will be addressing it, relevant to education
  - c. Budget for DYS has been finalized and will be introduced next week.
    - i. Child welfare rates are being questioned
    - ii. Full day kindergarten is a priority for the Governor, which means other items will be cut
    - iii. SB 195, child and youth behavioral health
    - iv. Summer would be a good time for legislators to visit RVA
- I. Nancy spoke of charter school advocacy and the importance of being aware

#### **V. Career Technical Education Highlight**

- A. Culinary update
  - 1. Introduction of student participants & instructor, Ms. Sayers
  - 2. She is the kitchen manager as well as the culinary instructor



3. She came from the state and has many years of experience
4. Her daughter has been accepted to Johnson and Wales as well
5. Ostrich and other wild game has been introduced to the kids
6. S/A Wade and S/A Stasny were introduced as participants in the culinary arts class and help in the kitchen.

**VI. Treasurer's Report-** Bob Eikermann

- A. Key performance Indicators
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash flow
  - i. Quite a decrease in budgeted expenses as a result in decreased student population
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
  - i. There is approx. \$97K available
  - ii. Corbin Grant has approx. \$3K available
- D. Reserves will drop from 1.5M to 1M
  - i. Approx. \$180K will be dropped from next year's budget
- E. Nancy expressed the importance of keeping the teacher scholarship fund
  - i. Class sizes are also a concern as far as feeling connected

**VII. Transition Committee-** Mike Griebel

- A. Approved Transition Applications
  - No meeting held this month
- B. Denied and/or Tabled Transition Applications
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**VIII. Accountability Committee,** Craig Bowman

Craig met during the March meeting and reported "I was able to meet briefly with eight students and their parents between approximately 10:45 and 11:45. I was also able to chat with two or three staff persons. Overall, the students expressed gratitude for Ridge View and its programs. However, a couple of concerns stood out to me. Both Joshua, 20, and his mother expressed disappointment with the Q House experience because of communications. He is a Denver Human Services student and had had multiple mentorships. Also, another couple of students and parents felt the effect of the decline in programs available to RVA students. All students discussed their futures with great optimism, some going into the military, college and the world of work.

The highlight of my visit came with Saul, 18, who spent his time holding his young son, Joshua, who is three months old. His mother and girlfriend were there with him. Saul is so proud to be a father, and I went to see the family again just before I left.

**IX. CAB Report ,** Doug MacCarthy

- A. August fundraiser is being planned. All Board members and friends and families are encouraged to attend

**X. President Report-** Nancy Spence

- A. Re-visit Board Retreat possibility –still not scheduled at this time

**XI. Adjournment AM**

Motion to adjourn by; Seconded by , Discussion None: Approval All

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    - v. Mr. Ron Brinkerhoff- Video Game Design Instructor, RVA
    - vi. Lueviner Young- Administrative Coordinator
  - g. Absent: Craig Bowman- Secretary, Jerry Adamek- Member, Brian Weaver, Member
- D. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda by Pat Grippe; Seconded Pat Hayes; Discussion None; Approval All

**II. Action Items**

- A. Motion to Approve December 20, 2018 Minutes by Bob Eikermann; Seconded by Mike Griebel; Discussion None; Approval All
- B. Motion to Approve January 17, 2019 Minutes by Bob Eikermann; Seconded by Mike Griebel; Discussion None; Approval All

**III. Principal's Report – Dr. Ed Cope**

- A. Student Population
  - a. 93 Students Total: 36 SPED; 38 DHS
  - b. Fully Staffed (over staffed)
  - c. Betty K. Marler Center staff at RVA (Sydney Johnston is observing teachers, facilitating staff trainings, and performing administrative duties; Kaleena Drake starts the 1<sup>st</sup> week of March as full-time Math teacher; Ms. Patrick will oversee Library program)
  - d. Resignations: Mr. Thomas Roberts effective in July
- B. Student Culture
  - a. Continuous improvement in student culture
  - b. Challenges of more incentive-based program and fewer disciplinary actions
  - c. Map Testing

#### **IV. Facility's Reports & Updates- Kent Moe**

- A. Crisis Intervention Team (customized restraint techniques)
- B. Mandatory Pre-Bidders Conference February 22, 2019
- C. Division of Youth Services (**DYS**) & Licensing Process
- D. Ridge View Academy Scheduled Campus Tours
  - 1. Arapahoe County February 28th
  - 2. County Commissioners on March 5<sup>th</sup>
- E. Risk Assessment
  - 1. DYS operating between 110% to 125%
  - 2. RVA operating is down 65%
- F. Out of State Contracts
- G. Betty K. Marler Contract Update (officially ended and final bill finalized)
- H. Governor Jared Polis Appoints Michelle Barnes as Executive Director of Colorado Department of Human Services
- I. Lobbying, Crisis Management, & Community/Stakeholders Engagement Strategies (Jeff Thormodsgaard)
  - 1. RVA repurposing no longer an option or interest
  - 2. Public Relation focused on recapturing "What is Ridge View Academy"
  - 3. Reclaiming message
  - 4. DYS funding request & County rates brief
  - 5. Above current need for mental health beds (not pursuing more beds)

#### **V. Career Technical Education Highlight**

- A. Video Game Design and Website Development Presentation (Instructor Ron Brinkerhoff)
  - 1. Introduction of student participants & instructor (**SA D. Duran; SA H. Sellers; SA D. Cole**)
  - 2. Classes are held from 4:00PM to 6:00 PM M-F
  - 3. Students registered 9-10 students currently in program
- B. Main Types of Programming
  - 1. **Systems Programming-** programming for a stand-alone application, like video games
    - a. Most common language for game designers to learn are C++ and Java (although other languages are popular C# and Unity)
    - b. Another type of programming you may hear referred to is scripting, but that essentially comes down to a type of systems programming
    - c. Currently the best programming for games are C++, Java, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, and SQL
  - 2. **Web Programming-** used for applications that are run through a browser over a web interface
    - a. Web languages are not so much one-or-the-other; they work in unison to create the kind of experience players expect (although some programmers will specialize in just one or another)
    - b. Currently the best programming for website design are JavaScript, Swift, Java, C/CC+, Python, PHP, Ruby, C#, Rust
    - c. Some of the software applications like Unity are free

#### **VI. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann**

- A. Key performance Indicators

- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash flow
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
- D. Reserves

**VII. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel**

- A. Approved Transition Applications
  - 1. Lisa Marie Ledford- 300.00
  - 2. Leevi Greenawalt- 2,035.00
- B. Denied and/or Tabled Transition Applications
  - 1. Dominic Medina- **Denied** for requested amount of 2,215.00; **Tabled** for 300.00 (pending additional documentation)
  - 2. Amani Simpson- **Tabled**

**VIII. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman**

N/A

**IX. CAB Report, Doug MacCarthy**

- A. Strategies
- B. 360 Update
- C. More Student Diversity
- D. More Campus Focus on Programs Offered
- E. Gift Cards

**X. President Report- Nancy Spence**

- A. No Board Retreat
- B. Regular March School Board Meeting
- C. Honoring of Former Board Members (statue presentation)
- D. Upcoming Golf Tournament June 21<sup>st</sup> @ Arrowhead
- E. Recruitment of Additional Members (placed on hold until further notice)
- F. Election of Board Member Officers (appointment committee spearheaded by Pat Hayes & Pat Grippe)

**XI. Adjournment 11:29AM**

Motion to adjourn by Bob Eikermann; Seconded by Nancy Spence, Discussion None: Approval All

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    - v. Penny Sampson- Director of Assessment and Admissions, Mountain Region
    - vi. Jeff Thormodsgaard- Michael Best Strategies, LLC
    - vii. Jared Collins- Automotive Instructor, RVA
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  - j. Absent: Nancy Spence- Board President
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
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- A. Motion to Approve December 20, 2018 Minutes- No Motion Taken

**III. Principal's Report – Dr. Ed Cope**

- A. Student Population
  - a. 121 Students: 1 Site AWOL 2 Home Pass AWOLs
  - b. 23 Staff; 3 Betty K. Marler in preservice; Social Studies teacher exited
  - c. Library hiring (requiring yearly training in Library Science)
  - d. Math teacher providing mentoring
  - e. Higher level of teachers
  - f. Incident Reporting Procedure
  - g. Smaller Class Sizes
- B. Student Off-site Activities- More Monthly RAM Outings
  - a. Denver University College Tour
  - b. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration @ 1:30PM
  - c. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rodeo- 16 students attended
  - d. Denver Museum of Fine Arts

- e. Robotics on the 4th
- C. Audit (Lisa Martin) Performance Update
  - a. Consistent Leadership
  - b. Course Description- Common Core standards (each teacher must have in classroom)
  - c. Works Key Test for vocational placement- 8:24 students eligible
  - d. Response To Intervention (**RTI**) needs to be formal documented meeting- 12 students on RTI list

**IV. Facility's Reports & Updates- Kent Moe**

- A. Pre-Bidders Conference at Denier
  - a. Licenses required by April 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Competitors
    - 1. Mindspire (Western Slope)
    - 2. Youth Opportunity Investments (**YOI**)
- B. Betty K. Marler Overlay with Mount View Youth Services Center and Building Renovations
- C. Colorado 1200 Foster/Group Home Shortage
- D. Lobbying, Crisis Management, & Community/Stakeholders Engagement Strategies (Jeff Thormodsgaard)

**V. Career Technical Education Highlight**

- A. Auto Mechanics Presentation (Instructor Jared Collins)
  - a. The Master Technician Certification is earned after all eight of nine of the specific testing / certifications are passed.
  - b. Introduction of student participants
  - c. Automobile technicians must have current skills and knowledge to keep pace with the ever-changing vehicles
- B. Automotive Service Excellence (**ASE**) Certification
  - a. Complete 2 years of work as a technician. While you can complete the ASE certification exam before you complete the experience requirements, you will not receive the certification until you have worked in the field for at least 2 years.
  - b. ASE does offer some non-certification programs online, the ASE certification tests are only offered in secure, proctored CBT Centers.
  - c. You must recertify in each test area every five years (required certifications expire, you lose your Master Technician status)
  - d. Average pay range for Master Mechanic \$44,500 to \$62,000 (most are paid hourly, so pay could be more)

**VI. Betty K. Marler Center Report & Update- Sydney Johnston- Principal**

- A. Student Population- 8 new students; 5 SPED
- B. Program End/Final Date- January 11, 2019
- C. New Case Managers
- D. Betty K. Marler Transition with Mount View Youth Services Center
- E. Six Student Graduates

**VII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann**

- A. Key performance Indicators
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash flow
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
- D. Reserves

**VIII. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel**

- A. Approved Transition Applications
  - a. Lisa Marie Ledford- 300.00
  - b. Leevi Greenawalt- 2,035.00

- B. Denied and/or Tabled Transition Applications
  - a. Dominic Medina- **Denied** for requested amount of 2,215.00; **Tabled** for 300.00 (pending additional documentation)
  - b. Amani Simpson- **Tabled**

**IX.** **Accountability Committee**, Craig Bowman

- A. Next Meeting Date
- B. Engage and Assess Participants about Safe Management Concepts

**X.** **CAB Report & Bids For Kids Fundraiser**, Doug MacCarthy

- A. New Venue for Bids For Kids Fundraiser (Castle Rock)
  - a. Potential 200-persons limit
  - b. Alcoholic beverages
  - c. No cost food
- B. Upcoming Date of August 17, 2019
- C. Committee Meeting (within the next few weeks)
- D. Event Items
  - a. Gift cards (25.00 value)
  - b. Auction items (donated)
- E. Fundraiser Benefits
  - a. The Children's Hospital Colorado
  - b. Ridge View Academy
  - c. Roger Allot Memorial Fund
- F. Arrowhead Golf Tournament Scheduled for June 28, 2019

**XI.** **Board Update**- Members

- A. Special Board Meeting February 2, 2019 (tentatively scheduled time 10:00AM – 12:00PM @RVA)
- B. Annual Retreat
- C. Board Member Recruitment
- D. Honoring Former Members

**XII.** **Adjournment 11:28AM**

Motion to adjourn by Jerry Adamek; Seconded by Bob Eikermann, Discussion None: Approval All

*Next Board Meeting Scheduled for February 21, 2019 @ 9:00AM-12:00PM*

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

*All board members are invited to attend these meetings and events*

**Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**

February 24, 2019 at Ridge View Academy

**Ridge View Academy Graduation:**

TBA

**Transition Meeting, Mike Griebel:**

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



**Ridge View Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
MEETING MINUTES  
Friday, December 7, 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, 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. 9:00 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Roll Call: Quorum Present
  - a. Nancy Spence-Board Chairman (via conference call)
  - b. Pat Grippe- Vice-Chairman
  - c. Bob Eikermann- Treasurer (via conference call)
  - d. Pat Hayes- Member
  - e. Craig Bowman- Secretary (via conference call)
  - f. Mike Griebel- Member
  - g. Jerry Adamek- Member
  - h. Elton Jones- Ex-Officio
  - i. Others in Attendance:
    - i. Kent Moe- Executive Director, Mountain Region
    - ii. Ed Cope- Principal RVA
    - iii. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
    - iv. Eric Becker- Vice-Principal RVA
    - v. Sydney Johnston- Principal Betty K. Marler Youth Services Center
    - vi. Penny Sampson- Director of Assessment and Admissions, Mountain Region
    - vii. Jamie Carlton- Director of Food Services ROP
    - viii. Lueviner Young- Administrative Coordinator
  - j. Absent: Brian Weaver, Member
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to Approve Pat Grippe; Seconded Jerry Adamek; Discussion None; Approval All

**II. Action Items**

- A. None

**III. ROP Efforts – Penny Sampson- Director of Assessments & Admissions**

- A. Betty K. Marler Report
  - a. The Culture of the Girls- Steady improvement from initial transition
  - b. Betty K. Marler Census Report- July 20 female students; Currently at 31 female students
  - c. Teachers Displacement- Four (4) employees will be displaced
  - d. Hiring Displaced Employees- Offer position with Ridge View Youth Services Center and Other Rite of Passage sites

**IV. Betty K. Marler Report & Update- Sydney Johnston- Principal**

- A. Betty K. Marler Program- Consists of 5 subjects or 6.5 hours of education
- B. *I Am That Girl*: Gender Specific National Program- Gives girls the tools they need to lead today with confidence, compassion through a peer-lead local chapter program, app and researched backed curriculum
- C. Program and Current Contract End Date- January 13, 2019

- D. Impact on Girl Students Residing at Mount View Youth Services Center- Punitive DYS nature in the absence of Marler staff has incited negativity feelings/reactions
- E. Effects of Mount View Youth Services Inability to Meet and Provide the Needs of Students-Due to DYS not providing long-term care/Mount View is short staffed and most likely will not be providing the same level of care
- F. DYS Decisions Precludes Girls in the System from Funded Program (Jerry Adamek)
- G. Betty K. Marler Development of the Gender Specific Program in the '90s (Jerry Adamek)
- H. Role of Joint Budget Committee (JBC)- Representative Chris Hansen, Denver (Pat Hayes)

**V. Betty K. Marler Center Contract Report & Update- Kent Moe**

- A. Colorado Office of Children, Youth & Families Letter from Anders Jacobson, Director
- B. Explanation of Letter
- C. Contract Termination- Due financial accountability concerns, not programmatic issues/reasons

**VI. Education Department – Ed Cope and Eric Becker**

- A. Tapping Reserves to Employ Displaced Betty K. Marler Staff
  - a. Science teacher taking FMLA for 12 weeks in January 2019
  - b. Math teacher going on leave going on leave in January 2019
  - c. PCR- January 2019 through July 2019 approximately \$125,000.00 from reserves
  - d. Current reserves amount 1.5M
- B. Extending Employment- Reevaluate status in June 2019
- C. **Action Item:** Motion to Utilize \$170,000.00 of Reserves to Employ Displaced Marler Employees January 2019 – June 2019 by Pat Hayes; Seconded by Jerry Adamek; Discussion: The members voting in favor of the motion believe it pertinent and fair to provide the potential hires with an answer requiring employment with RVA. However, Nancy Spence thought it best to postpone the vote until further information was assessed.  
Motion Passes with Pat Grippe, Jerry Adamek, Bob Eikermann, Mike Griebel, Craig Bowman, Pat Hayes voting in favor, and Nancy Spence voting against
- D. Culinary Arts Instructor- Timothy Nemec (current ROP employee) possible hire for CTE Food Services Instructor: has experience working with at-risk youths, and was a JIREH instructor (Jamie Carlton)

**VII. Adjournment 11:00AM**

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

**Board Enters Executive Session from 11:00AM-**

*Next Board Meeting Scheduled for January 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00AM-12:00PM*

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

*All board members are invited to attend these meetings and events*

**Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**  
December 23, 2018 at Ridge View Academy

**Ridge View Academy Graduation:**  
December 13, 2018

**Betty K. Marler Steering Committee:**  
Meets Bi-Monthly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 2:00PM at Betty K. Marler Center

**Transition Meeting, Mike Griebel:**

**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 6<sup>th</sup> 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. **21<sup>st</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00AM-12:00PM*

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

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**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, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

**Ridge View Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday September 20, 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. 9:20 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Roll Call: Quorum present
  - a. Nancy Spence-Board Chairman
  - b. Pat Grippe- Vice-Chairman
  - c. Bob Eikermann-Treasurer
  - d. Craig Bowman- Secretary
  - e. Pat Hayes- Member
  - f. Brian Weaver- Member
  - g. Others in Attendance:
    - i. Kent Moe- Executive Director- Mountain Region
    - ii. Ed Cope- RVA Principal
    - iii. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
    - iv. Sydney Johnston- Principal Betty Marler Center
    - v. Lueviner Young- Administrative Coordinator
- C. Absent: Jerry Adamek- Member, Elton Jones- Ex-Officio Member, Mike Griebel- Member, Jason Stover- Member
- D. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to Approve Pat Grippe; Seconded Craig Bowman; Discussion None; Approval All

**II. Action Items**

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

**III. Principal's Report – Ed Cope**

- A. RVA Report
  - a. 156 total populations: 63 DHS, 66 SPED, 93 DYC/DYS
  - b. Education Department staffing is strong, with only 1 resignation from Math Dept.
  - c. Upper Management providing support –less behavioral management- culture is starting to stabilize
  - d. Student Behaviors: Problematic behaviors increase during summer- understanding the factors that cause and facilitates negative behaviors
  - e. Educational Staff: strong and stable
  - f. Education Scholarship Program: Board will read and suggest adjustments on management agreement next meeting
- B. Alexis Miller: Develop Talent Pool using MAP Testing
  - a. Four teachers signed up: 2 Masters/2 SPED with licensure
  - b. Full tuition covered

- c. 100% RVA Teachers are Certified
- d. Raises implemented August 1<sup>st</sup>
- e. Anti-Bullying Assembly included contests and plays
- f. Athletics Update: Soccer hasn't won a game; Brighton Invitational (wrestling) placed 10<sup>th</sup>; Petal the Planes (cycling) 200 miles of bike racing in 3 days; Football 2 wins
- g. Upcoming Events: Colorado Rockies Game September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm  
Chess Match October 11<sup>th</sup>
- h. Offsite: CU Boulder- all from the AVET Program

**IV. ROP Report- Kent Moe**

- A. Betty K. Marler- after license suspension, audit findings were addressed and new contract issued. Personnel returned to the facility; Mount View Youth Services Center
- B. Jeffco: 8 Students-Requesting rate increase between 50.00-75.00/day
- C. Alamosa: 6 Students; In its final stages of renovations- bathroom/new carpet/new paint
- D. Meadowlark Academy: 35 Students-set to increase to 50 students with school back in session
- E. Ridge View Academy: Preparing for CARF Accreditation
- F. Restriction on Runaways: 9 Students AWOL/3 At-large (RVA)
- G. Division of Child Care Licensure Requirements

**V. Betty K. Marler Center Report- Sydney Johnston**

- A. Teaching Student How to be Students while Meeting their Academic Needs
- B. Programs
  - a. Guestroom Certificate
  - b. American Hospitality Certificate
  - c. OSHA Certificate- 1 student
  - d. ServSafe Certificate- 7 students
- C. 1:1 Chromebook- All students have a Chromebook- used as one part of teaching and learning
- D. Hybrid Program: Edgenuity bridging the gap between education and technology to help students succeed- reduces shame for lower educated students
- E. 1<sup>st</sup> MAP Testing 96% participation; prior participation 50%
- F. PEER Leadership: Holding each other accountable- comprised of 6 students
- G. Graduation October 26<sup>th</sup>- 7 graduates
- H. 4 Completing final GED exam
- I. Full-time SPED educator on staff

**VI. Finance Report – Bob Eikermann**

- A. Explanation of Monthly Budget Expenditures
- B. 66,000.00 in the black
- C. Accrued losses since 2015 from Robert E. Denier Youth Services Center
- D. Action Item: Motion to Write-off 280,546.00 owed to RVA from Robert E. Denier Youth Services Center Bob Eikermann; Seconded Pat Hayes; Discussion None; Approval All
- E. Golf Tournament Proceeds
- F. Action Item: Motion to Move 14,032.19 Golf Tournament Proceeds to the Roger Allot Fund by Bob Eikermann; Seconded Craig Bowman; Discussion None; Approval All
- G. Action Item: Motion to Accept Financial Audit by Pat Hayes; Seconded Bob Eikermann; Discussion None; Approval All



**VII. Standing Committee Report**

Transition Committee Report, Mike Griebel (submitted written report)

- A. 0 Standard Application Submitted for Review and Approval
- B. 1 Emergency Application Request: 1,000.00 by William Berridge
- C. Craig Bowman Accountability Committee Report
  - a. Next meeting discussion
  - b. Date set for next meeting

**VIII. Future Direction of RVA- Vice Chairman Pat Grippe**

- A. Updated Document for April 2018
- B. Question & Answer for Document Input
- C. **Action Item:** Motion to Submit 3- 5 years Guidance Plan and/or Direction Suggestions for RVA by Pat Hayes; Seconded Bob Eikermann; Discussion None; Approval All

**IX. Bids For Kids Update- Doug MacCarthy**

- a. 5,000.00 Lockton Title Sponsor
- b. 3 cases of Balistreri Wine
- c. 8 students from Culinary will provide dessert for the event
- d. Approximately 1-80 people late signage

**X. Board Chairman Report- Nancy Spence**

- a. Principal's evaluation to be completed by each member for the next board meeting
- b. Bids For Kids Gala

**XI. Adjournment 11:58 PM**

Motion to adjourn by Nancy Spence; Seconded bob Eikermann, Discussion None: Approval All

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

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**Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**  
September 30, 2018 at Ridge View Academy

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

**Betty K. Marler Steering Committee:**  
Meets Bi-Monthly, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

**Ridge View Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday August 16, 2018  
9:00 AM**

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**I. Call to Order**

- A. 9:00 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Roll Call: Quorum present
  - a. Nancy Spence-Board Chairman
  - b. Pat Grippe- Vice-Chairman
  - c. Bob Eikermann-Treasurer
  - d. Craig Bowman- Secretary
  - e. Pat Hayes- Member
  - f. Jason Stover-Member
  - g. Mike Griebel- Member
  - h. Jerry Adamek- Member
  - i. Brian Weaver- Member
  - j. Elton Jones- Ex Officio Member
  - k. Others in Attendance:
    - i. Ski Broman- Chief Executive Officer
    - ii. Kent Moe- Executive Director- Mountain Region
    - iii. CJ Bower- Chief Financial Officer
    - iv. Ed Cope- RVA Principal
    - v. Jay Koedam- Program Director
    - vi. Penny Sampson- Regional Director of Assessment & Admission
    - vii. Doug MacCarthy- Community Advisory Board
    - viii. Denver Law Offices of Snell & Wilmer
    - ix. Lueviner Young- Administrative Coordinator
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
  - Motion to Approve Pat Grippe; Seconded Craig Bowman; Discussion None; Approval All
- D. The board voted to go into executive session to consult with the attorneys about legal implications of Betty K. Maler Center. The executive session began at 9:15 AM and ended at 9:45 AM

**II. Action Items**

- A. Approval of July Meeting Minutes
  - Pat Hayes Moves; Jerry Adamek Seconded; Discussion None; Approval All

**III. Principal's Report – Ed Cope**

- A. RVA Report
  - a. 185 total populations: 74 DHS, 70 SPED, 41 DYC/DYS- Enrollment increase October w/start of school
  - b. MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) Testing: New filter program; make-up testing
  - c. Colorado Department of Education: Announcement of CMAS Scores
  - d. Student Behaviors: Problematic behaviors increase during summer- understanding the factors that cause and facilitates negative behaviors

- e. Educational Staff: strong and stable
- f. Education Scholarship Program: Board will read and suggest adjustments on management agreement next meeting
- B. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant
  - a. Provides an additional 12 hours a week of instructional time.
  - b. Attendance is optional but we hope many of the youth will choose to attend
  - c. 5 hours a week will be with tutors (Tuesday and Thursday evenings)
  - d. 7 hours a week will be with fully screened mentors and tutors (Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 4: 00 p.m.)
  - e. This activity will be held in the Library where mentors will play board games, hold book clubs, provide homework help etc.
  - f. There will be a guest speaker every month that will provide insights into different life options, occupations, and experiences. The goal of the guest speakers is to provide motivation to the youth.
- C. Career & Technical Education (CTE) Highlights- Off-site and on-site events for culinary vocation; student buy-in was well received for off/on campus events.
- D. Chef Katina Wellon/Culinary Students Program Highlights:
  - a. Offers certificate programs in culinary arts
  - b. Bridging classroom and the kitchen through this- no hours or length of time required- program that actively engages student in their culinary future
  - c. ServSafe Certificate Earned: Online 3hrs training for 15.00
- E. Intensive Wellness & Recreation Alcohol & Drug Treatment Program- Covin Piccone
  - a. Therapeutic approach in addiction counseling through sports
  - b. Therapeutic tools: Boxing, CrossFit
  - c. 4 months' inpatient program
  - d. Equipment @5,000.00 total cost for 12 students
- F. **Action Item:** Elton Jones endorsed the program; Motion to provide 5,000.00 to fund program by Mike Griebel; Seconded by Brian Weaver; Discussion None; Approval All

#### **IV. ROP Report- Kent Moe**

*ROP is the largest provider in Texas, Colorado, and Wyoming*

- A. Betty Marler- after license suspension, audit findings were addressed and new contract issued. Personnel returned to the facility; Mount View Youth Services Center
- B. Ski Broman, Lynea Hanson, Jim Kilroy, David Blake, Mike Dino Q & A on State of Colorado investigation and its impact on RVA and RVA board members
- C. Robert Denier Youth Detention Center- 15 students enrolled
- D. Sage Youth Services Center: change in leadership; new Program Director Jazmin Evans
- E. Lake Granbury Youth Services Center- 88 students currently enrolled; submitted Charter School Application
- F. Meadowlark Academy- 36 students enrolled; strong program

#### **V. Finance Report – CJ Bower**

- A. Explanation of Monthly Budget Expenditures
- B. 20,000.00 increase from last month
- C. 1.5 million in reserves
- D. Donations made by Lockton Companies & United Way to the Roger Allot Fund

#### **VI. Standing Committee Report**

Mike Griebel Transition Committee Report

- A. 4 Application Submitted for Review and Approval

- a. Christian Henry: Requested 1,800.00- Tabled (lack of communication with Client Manager (CM) expressing need- money available via CM)
  - b. Joey Sharron: Awarded 5,000.00 Corbin Grant
  - c. Exzavion Womley: Awarded 1,500.00 Requested 600.00- Approved
  - d. Franco: Requested 3,700.00 Tabled incomplete application- Resubmit for review
- B. Craig Bowman Accountability Committee Report
- a. Chase Berman Presentation and Impact of Mentoring Students
  - b. Integration of 11 and 13 year's old

**VII. Future Direction of RVA- Vice Chairman Pat Grippe**

- A. Updated Document for April 2018
- B. Develop Long-term Document: What Should be Done?
- C. Education Advocate for Students Involved with the Courts who have Client Managers and Case Managers
- D. Student Engagement in Educational and Certification
- E. **Action Item:** Motion to table Pat Grippe's handouts till next board meeting by Jerry Adamek; Seconded Pat Hayes; Discussion None; Approval All

**VIII. Bids For Kids Update- Doug MacCarthy**

- a. 2- 25.00 Gift Cards preferred than higher valued gift cards
- b. Employees and friends are encouraged to donate items for auction and attend the event
- c. Date and Time of Bids For Kids Auction and Fundraiser Saturday from 6:00pm – 10:00pm, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Vehicle Vault located at 18301 Lincoln Meadows Pkwy, Parker, CO 80134

**IX. Board Chairman Report- Nancy Spence**

- a. Principal's evaluation to be completed by each member for the next board meeting
- b. Bids For Kids Gala
- c. Board minutes- board agreed to detail minutes, especially good for absent board minutes

**X. Adjournment 12:00 PM**

Motion to adjourn by Craig Bowman; Seconded Pat Grippe, Discussion None: Approval All

**NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

*All board members are invited to attend these meetings and events*

**Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:**

Date TBA at Ridge View Academy

**Ridge View Academy Graduation:**

December-TBD

**Betty K. Marler Steering Committee:**

Meets Bi-Monthly, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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