School Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday, June 18, 2020 @ 9:00 AM

The Mission of the Ridge View Academy Board of Education is to ensure that Ridge View Academy 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. Membership Roll Call Quorum
 - i. Jerry Adamek
 - ii. Nancy Spence
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
 - New item added to agenda; Jamie Glick training. This is part of becoming a QRTP and trauma informed care training is a requirement
 - ii. Motion to accept by Nancy, 2nd by Craig; all in favor

II. Action Items-

- A. Approval of May 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - i. Pat would like to note that were having a zoom meeting and why it's via zoom (this is due to governor's orders)
 - ii. Pat asked questions regarding fundraising dollars; CJ Bower responded
 - iii. No other corrections, motion to accept moved by Craig Bowman, 2nd by Ross Fraser
- B. Approval of May "Special Meetings" Minutes
 - i. Deferred
- C. Acknowledgement of RVA Staff and ROP Support during COVID-19
- D. Action on Board Member "Treasurer" Recommendations Nominations Committee
 - i. Vice President vacancy, however not urgent to fill
 - ii. Treasurer vacancy; board nominated Ross Fraser. Ross notified Jerry that he would be willing to accept this nomination. Motion to select Ross Fraser as the new treasurer moved by Nancy Spence, 2nd by Doug MacCarthy; all in favor

III. Denver Public Schools- Angie McPhaul, Senior Manager, DPS Portfolio Management /Matthew Meyer

- A. Audit Update
 - i. Deferred as Matthew unavailable
- B. RVA Waiver Requests

IV. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal (Max:15 minutes)

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
- B. RVA School Report
- C. COVID response
 - i. Continuing to run cohorts for safety of staff and students
- D. Graduation
 - 10 graduates today, 8 are still on campus at this time, and we are recording it and sending it to parents. Rhonda Fields is recording a speech for the graduation

V. RVA Facility Update - Jay Koedam, Site Director (Max: 15 minutes)

A.

VI. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director- (Max:15 minutes)

- A. Family First and DYS Updates (SRTC Proposal)
- B. RVA BOD Youth Member to be considered next meeting
- C. RVA Lease Agreement Proposal (Meeting TBA)
 - i. Due to extension of safer at home, this meeting still TBA
- D. Trauma Informed Training- Jamie Glick
 - i. Family First Prevention Services Act: Defining Trauma
 - ii. Effects of trauma on the brain and how this applies to ROP

- iii. Q and A with Board Members
- iv. All staff receive annual Think Trauma training

VII. Student Report- Honor Members of the RVA Student Body

VIII. VIII. Treasurer's Report- CJ Bower, ROP- CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. 2021 Budget
 - i. Looking at going to about \$1.56 million in revenue due to reduction of student population
 - ii. About \$175,000 left of 21st century grant
 - iii. \$103,000 reduction in Mill Levey
 - iv. No Perkins grant or capital construction at this time and no golf tournament revenue
 - v. \$55,000 reduction in administrative expenses
 - vi. Eliminating some teacher positions; will lead to approx. \$114,000 in savings
 - vii. Looking to cut stipends; approx. \$30,000
 - viii. Motion to approve moved by Doug MacCarthy, 2nd by Craig Bowman; all in favor
- C. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. Current year earnings were at about \$160,000 net loss
 - ii. Income Statement: A few hits on revenue
 - iii. Overage in stipends from robotics and soccer coaching
 - iv. Assets dropped to \$1.21M; but liabilities went down to \$85,000
 - v. Overage on DPS purchase service agreement
 - vi. Finally received our e-rate
 - vii. Next month we should come in about \$40,000 loss
 - viii. Teacher quality cancelled in April
 - ix. Mill Levey funding about \$20,000 higher
 - Based on every student that we have; dollar amount per category (about 20 categories)
 - x. \$29,000 for Golf Tournament Revenue from last year's golf tournament
 - xi. Benefits for administrative people about \$20,000 higher than anticipated
 - xii. Higher in maintenance and janitorial due to COVID
 - xiii. Unsure if we will be getting any COVID funds, we are entitled to a grant but unsure if we can use it
 - xiv. Motion to accept report moved by Ross Fraser, 2nd by Pat Hayes, no discussion, all in favor
- D. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
 - . Roger allot out approximately \$400,000
- F.E. Financial Analysis of Charter Schools Costs: UpdateNothing happening due to COVID and Treasurer change
- G.F. Cost of Foundation
 - i. At about \$104,000 in our foundation at this timeMs. Bower presented and estimated cost of forming and running a foundation. The costs would exceed current donations.

IX. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel, Board Representative

- A. Have functioned via zoom with students
- B. We had one initial applicant, JM, who received \$2000 for transition
- C. Ended with 3 applicants
- D. Make our request for \$24,000 for 2021? Pat unsure if board will be able to support that this year. Jerry suggests approving a partial budget for 3 months (\$6000) and reconvene in 90 days on what their budget is for the year. Motion moved by Doug MacCarthy, 2nd by Craig Bowman. This will start on July 1st.
- E. We have been budgeting well

X. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman, Board Representative

- A. Continue being unable to meet with families at RVA
- B. This is a state requirement, but Nancy believes the state has probably put this on hold

XI. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy , Board Representative

- A. RVA Golf Classic" "Bids for Kids" on August 8th
 - i. Via zoom; still accepting donations

XII. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek (SEE BELOW)

- A. Lobbyist Report Jeff Thormodsgaard Michael Best Strategies
 - i. Discussed session
 - ii. Survey for legislators regarding our top priorities
 - iii. Policy statement on runaway issues and licensing concerns draft (potential)
 - iv. Jeff sending report to the board regarding legislation and budget questions
- B. DPS School Board Audit Closing
- C. RVA Lease Agreement Proposal (Meeting TBA)
- D. Board Resignations Nomination Committee Update
- E. RVA Board of Director's Meeting Schedule Summer/Fall Meeting Cancelation
 - i. Potential of July or August if we don't have business to manage
- F. Motion to adjourn at 11:45am moved by Mike Griebel, 2nd by Craig Bowman

RVA Board of Directors Meetings: (All Meetings at Ridge View Academy unless otherwise indicated)

Next Meeting: July 16, 2020 @ 9:00AM – Ridge View Academy – Administrative Conference Room or ZOOM Conference Call (???)

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 - iii. Craig Bowman
 - iv. Elton Jones
 - v. Nancy Spence
 - vi. Bianca Jones
 - vii. Mike Griebel
 - viii. Doug MacCarthy
 - ix. Ross Fraser
 - x. Kevin Lash
 - xi. Others in attendance: Kent Moe, Autumn Boyer, Ed Cope, Matthew Meyer, Cecilia Soto (DPS)
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda moved by Kevin Lash; seconded by Doug MacCarthy

II. Action Items-

- A. Approval of April 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes moved by Kevin Lash, seconded by Pat Hayes with corrections; CJ made corrections- Nancy Spence name to be corrected- under payroll protection
- B. Approval of May "Special Meetings" Minutes will be done during June meeting
- C. Acknowledgement of RVA Staff and ROP Support during COVID-19
- **D.** Action on Board Member Resignation Nominations Committee

III. Denver Public Schools- Angie McPhaul, Senior Manager, DPS Portfolio Management /Matthew Meyer

A. Audit Update

- i. Matt states we were able to wrap up the 3rd party audit, ROP will submit proposal
- ii. The amount is lower than what was proposed by RVA, but auditors made an adjustment
- ROP would be paying this back if we didn't have the donations to cover this? Proposed amount was 33k, final amount was 31k, including write off of 71k according to matt (in relation to donations)
- iv. By June 5th we need proposal for how payment will happen. Board would like to delegate CJ to put together the response after she reviews it
- v. Doug MacCarthy moved to go forward as Bill suggested, and for CJ Bower to respond to audit; seconded by Craig Bowman, all approved, discussion none

vi.

B. RVA Waiver Requests

i. DPS sent letter confirming waivers

IV. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal (Max:15 minutes) (ADD INFO)

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Staff are anxious but teachers are doing an awesome job
 - ii. Cohorts are not optimal and we are at record high F list, but starting to stabilize
 - iii. June 1st may go back to normal

- iv. 2 teachers are moving on, both English teachers and SPED teachers so we need one more sped teacher on board
- B. RVA Report
 - i. Sitting at 76 right now, lots of intakes. 29 DHS and 47 DYS- 32 SPED students
 - ii. No education staff getting sick, 1 employee who tested positive and was sent home
 - iii. Compliance director posted numbers of how many staff/students are allowed in rooms at a time
 - iv. Kids continue to struggle with social distancing, no outbreak but we do have a plan
 - v. Lack of family visits and activities are hurting us
 - vi. Mr. Rosenthal built piñatas with kids for Cinco de Mayo
- C. Charter Renewal Update
- D. Paul Rosenthal JA Teacher of the Year Award
 - i. Junior achievement educator of the year
 - ii. He implements 2 JA days per year, and the stock market challenge

V. Facility's Report Update - Jay Koedam, Site Director (Max: 15 minutes)

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VI. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director- (Max:15 minutes)

- A. Family First and DYS Updates (SRTC Proposal)
 - i. Submitted for SRT; our proposal will not go forward at this time
- B. Covid
 - We have ceased visits and off site work. We now have a cottage group system to break down spreading of virus
 - ii. DYS recently had outbreak at Platte Valley and had to test every staff and student
 - iii. RVA website has all of our forms, policies, and public service announcements
 - iv. Intakes also have to wait 14 days in a clean facility prior to entering RVA
- C. Blood Drive
 - i. Our employee is back at work and doing well
 - ii. We donated PTO and provided GoFund me funds
 - iii. Blood drive as students Block R project; delayed but will be here June 1st
- D. CDHS Presentation
 - i. PowerPoint sent to board members
 - ii. 2016-2021 Contract term
 - iii. Went over different licensing types
 - iv. Jerry would like board to review this before our June meeting
 - v. We proposed a long time ago to have a day school, with security to assist in controlling contraband
 - vi. Nancy acknowledges how well done this proposal was. Could the day school go at our 8th and grant building?
- E. Teacher Appreciation
 - i. Thank you to the board for the gifts, it was a wonderful afternoon

VII. Student Report- Honor Members of the RVA Basketball Team and Coaches (Is this still timely?)

VIII. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. Cash is down16k, moved money from savings to checking- about 100k,
 - ii. Accounts receivable went down. Assets are 26k lower
 - iii. Liabilities are down
 - iv. Current years earnings -103k this month, better than anticipated
 - Income statement: loss of kids, down on mill Levey, down on title funding about 12k year to date
 - vi. Just approved for E-Rate revenue
 - vii. Golf tourney revenue is down since cancelling it, but deposit was refunded
 - viii. Payroll under budget about 10k, we are down on personnel
 - ix. No major variances, only at \$5,000 loss this month
 - Motion to accept report, moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Mike Griebel; approval all, none opposed
 - Budget Discussion: Projected 107 kids down to 80 kids, cost savings in personnel, substitute cost went up, as well as assistant principal cost
 - xii. We will have another discussion regarding budget in June meeting

- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
- D. Financial Analysis of Charter Schools Costs: Update

IX. <u>Transition Committee- Mike Griebel, Board Representative</u>

- A. We had a May meeting via zoom: 4 applicants and all approved
- B. Discussed what their needs were and conducted 4 interviews
- C. \$2000 for first, \$1900 for 2nd, \$1200 for 3rd, and \$2100 for 4th; 7200 total approved for May

X. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman, Board Representative

A. Craig working with Ed on ways to work with children and families

XI. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy, Board Representative

- A. RVA Golf Classic"- "Bids for Kids"
 - Keep save to date card but not going to Haven in the Pines at this time; potentially doing this virtually
 - ii. Actively pursuing auction items

XII. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek (SEE BELOW)

- A. Lobbyist Report Jeff Thormodsgaard, Michael Best Strategies
 - i. Capital will reconvene on Tuesday, 52 days allowed to meet
 - ii. 3 billion dollar cut from budget
 - iii. We will experience Medicaid cut (1%)
 - iv. Child Welfare cuts, have been working to stay away from this; there will be k12 cuts that may come out today
 - v. Rates are not being cut on our side at this time, but provider rate increase may not take place?
 - vi. Loan bill: school finance act will track behind this? 40-50 bills running in addition to JBC bill. We will have conversation about where our budget goes next year
 - vii. State Reserve funds: approximately 10 (billion) dollars, using that money to offset cuts
- B. DPS School Board Charter Reconsideration Proposal
- C. RVA Lease Agreement Proposal (Meeting TBA)
- D. Vice Chair absence: Nancy and Pat are the nominations committee, please let them know of your interest
- E. Board Resignations Nomination Committee Update
 - Motion to address Bob Eiermann's resignation, moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Nancy Spence, all approved
 - ii. Bob was part of the board for a number of years, this is disappointing. He has been very dedicated to us and a very generous member. He will continue on with the MLA board
 - iii. We will express our gratitude for Bob in the future pending COVID concerns
 - iv. Nancy is pursuing a new treasurer
- F. RVA Board of Director's Meeting Schedule Summer/Fall Meeting Cancelation
 - i. Will revisit this until our June meeting
 - ii. Q house in September? May postpone this

Motion to adjourn moved by Ross Fraser, seconded by Nancy Spence

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 - v. Bob Eikermann
 - vi. Craig Bowman
 - vii. Doug MacCarthy
 - viii. Jerry Adamek
 - ix. Nancy Spency
 - x. Others in attendance: Ross Fraser, Kevin Lash, Matt Meyer, CJ Bower, Ed Cope, Kent Moe, Jay Koedam, Autumn Boyer
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda
 - i. Moved by Nancy Spence, 2nd by Doug MacCarthy

II. Action Items-

- A. Approval of February 20, 2020 Meeting Minutes
 - i. Moved to accept by moved by Craig Bowman, 2nd by Nancy Spence
- B. Acknowledgement of RVA Staff and ROP Support during COVID-19
- C. Action on Retreat Honorarium Payment to Teresa Valerio-Parrot
 - i. We voted via email regarding this
 - ii. We paid and thanked her
- D. Action on Board Member Applications (Kevin Lash & Ross Fraser) Delayed to Pre- Adjournment
 - Vote conducted; moved to accept by Nancy Spence, 2nd by Craig Bowman; all members in favor
 - ii. Both Ross Fraser and Kevin Lash have been welcome to the board
 - iii. Pat stated the process was not good in filling these positions

III. Denver Public Schools- Angie McPhaul, Senior Manager, DPS Portfolio Management /Matthew Meyer

- A. Audit Update
 - i. Discussed Covid and accommodations/ addressing current issues
 - ii. Appreciation Letter from Doctor Olson
 - BKD has finished their work, Matt has not seen the final letter, may receive 35k back to ROP
 - iv. We are bringing on a new staff member on the portfolio team
- B. RVA Waiver Requests
 - i. We are finalizing now through our contract
 - ii. Would like us to us our KPI reports

IV. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal (Max:15 minutes) (ADD INFO)

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Ed sent out educational report via email
 - ii. We are in cohorts of 8 separate students in order to control virus if it were to come here
 - iii. 2-3 teachers per cohort

- iv. Staffing is great, teachers are dedicated and coming in daily
- v. Still looking for barbering teacher, had great applicant but declined due to pay
- B. RVA Report
 - i. Doing well with numbers, 24 DHS and 51 DYS kids
 - ii. Kids and teachers are appreciative of this new cohort plan
- C. Charter Renewal Update
- D. DPS Guidance
- E. Covid Response (see report on cohort response)

٧. Facility's Report Update - Jay Koedam, Site Director (Max: 15 minutes) (ADD INFO)

- A. Covid response: students have lost home passes and visits, but we are doing skype and facetime with families
- B. We have currently suspended our athletics due to COVID
- C. RVA is working with student population as this is a difficult time and working to create incentives to keep them bought in
- D. Discussion of AWOLs over the weekend, we brought 5/6 students back
- E. We are only down 1-2 staff now, which is a great place to be
- Jerry thanks RVA for everything they do with the kids, and reached out regarding support to RVA

VI. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director- (Max:15 minutes) {ADD INFO}

- A. Family First and DYS Updates (SRTC Proposal)

 - i. They are starting to gather the trauma informed plans for review, this is the final step ii. DYS is de-populating and letting non-aggravated/ non-violent offenders go; this is not affecting admissions at Ridgeview
 - iii. DYS anticipates a steep decline in the next 3 weeks, and then a steep incline after that
- B. DPS Update (tabled)
- C. COVID Task Force Update
 - i. COVID call every morning discussing policies
 - ii. We put in a perfect attendance bonus for staff
 - iii. We are taking temperatures every day
 - iv. We are prepared for a quarantine unit in case the virus was to show up here, we are well prepared
- D. Admissions Update
 - i. 8 admissions this week; we are not taking kids from group homes or the community
 - ii. We are only accepting kids from DYS facilities

Student Report- Honor Members of the RVA Basketball Team and Coaches (hold off temporarily) VII.

VIII. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
 - i. We were about 30,000 lower than we had budgeted due to unearned revenue
 - ii. We were \$5,700 down on mill Levey
 - iii. We had line item savings throughout the month and personnel savings
 - iv. We have been \$81,000 better than budget year to date, but approximately \$200,000 down due to low numbers
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. Assets 1.4 million, 50,000 down from last month
 - ii. \$98,000 loss for current year earnings
 - iii. We still have 3 teachers in the program, with funds coming out of the reserves
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
- Payroll Protection Program and Cash Transfer
 - i. Congress assigned money to be given to small business
 - ii. Whatever is spent on payroll, 401k, etc. in the next 8 weeks, is forgiven
 - iii. CJ is submitting applications, however Wells Fargo does not have a portal
 - iv. We will open an account with mid first bank and move money into that for ROP, but we need board approval
 - v. Motion to move \$50,000 into the account, moved by Bob Eikermann, 2nd by Craig Bowman

- vi. Motion to submit application for payroll protection plan; moved by Bob Eikermann, 2nd by Doug MacCarthy, all approved
- E. Financial Analysis of Charter Schools Costs: Update
- F. Motion to accept financial report by Craig Bowman, 2nd by Nancy Spence, all in favor

IX. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel, Board Representative

- A. We did not meet live the last 2 months, but are communicating applications via email
- B. Currently no applications have been turned in
- C. Between 3-5 applications will be in next month from our kids whose jobs were pulled due to Covid

X. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman, Board Representative

- A. Scheduled to have meeting at the end of the month
- B. We wouldn't like to bring accountability folks in yet due to the virus but we can look into skyping families
- C. Craig is on board for Ed Cope to sit in on some family meetings

XI. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy, Board Representative

- A. RVA Golf Classic
- B. "Bids for Kids"
 - i. We mailed save the date cards and are still working to raise money
 - ii. Continue talking to family and friends about this, as it is critical for transition fund

XII. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek (SEE BELOW)

- A. Lobbvist Report Jeff Thormodsgaard, Michael Best Strategies @ 10 am
 - i. The capital has been closed, session will now resume starting mid-May ii. They will cut \$40 million from the hudget over the payt two months.

 - iii. \$4 billion cut if we don't make the cuts by next year
 - iv. We are still short on PPE's coming into the state
 - v. DHS and Medicaid will have a lot of reconciling to do
 - vi. We have been good about statutory reserve money
 - vii. Will not make much progress with licensing issues due to Covid
 - viii. Would now be a good time for a lease agreement proposal? Jeff says yes
- B. DPS Board Member Meeting (TBA?)
- C. RVA Lease Agreement Proposal (Meeting TBA)
 - i. May need to move forward with this, pending board decision
 - ii. Still pushing this agenda, but the downtown office where the meeting would be held is currently closed
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 - vi. Craig Bowman
 - vii. Pat Hayes
 - viii. Doug MacCarthy
 - ix. Nancy Spence
 - x. Others in attendance: Kent Moe, CJ Bower, Autumn Boyer, Ed Cope
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda moved by Doug MacCarthy; seconded by Craig Bowman

II. Guest Introductions

- A. Welcome Dr. Terry Croy Lewis, Executive Director of CSI and Janet Denton
 - i. Terry Croy Lewis explained CSI in depth to board members and provided folders
 - ii. RVA would be able to receive title dollars immediately
 - iii. CSI has their own board and has their own qualifications including there be even number of party members discussing how their schools are designed
- B. DPS Representative Matt Meyer
- III. Action Items- Approval of January 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Doug MacCarthy

IV. Denver Public Schools - Audit Update

3rd party reviewer is to be getting back with DPS within the next week; DPS is wrapping up waivers

V. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Permanent sub moved to Jeffco program; position has been posted
 - ii. One student teacher was dropped from his program with Western State so we are now subbing for his classes as well
- B. RVA Update
 - i. Population is currently 84; 34 DHS and 31 are SPED
 - ii. 6 onsite AWOLs since last meeting
 - iii. March 2nd is Junior Achievement day here at RVA; there will be a creative graphic design program for kids to develop
 - iv. Robotics team preparing for competition 3rd week in March
 - v. RVA celebrating Black History Month; guest singers coming and JROTC flying drones
 - vi. Steve Wozniak speaking at schools; we are looking to get him to speak at Ridgeview
 - vii. RVA sent in intent to reply letter last week and is now working on RFF for satellite program
 - viii. MAP testing was Monday and will finish today; we are doing incentives for kids and testing is going well
 - ix. The hexter will end at the end of this month
- C. Used floor scrubber for school -\$2,500- we found a used model; CJ is looking into this
- D. Staffing patterns –new Fine Arts Teacher

VI. Facility's Report Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director- ROP-Mountain Region

- A. SRTC RFP
 - Last month we anticipated request for Secure Residential proposal and it has come out; we are working to get 30 extra beds for secure students
 - ii. Next week we are submitting request for 60 beds for 2 regions; we should know by April 1st (these kids would not be co-existing with the rest of RVA population-there are start-up funds for this)
 - iii. They have said we can apprehend students and return them to site if they AWOL, however we are evaluating the cost of a fence, or delay doors
 - iv. Kent is having positive discussions with Anders and DYS
 - v. CSTAT was yesterday and our stats are better than like facilities in the state
- B. CDHS Meeting 2/25/20
 - i. Those in favor of having a board member being at this meeting; Jerry would like there to be- now action item for Jerry to be there
- C. DPS/ Charter Discussion
 - i. Kent reminding the board how much time we have to choose authorizer for school- we have plenty of time to pick the proper one
- D. Family First Update
 - i. Delay has now moved to January 1st of 2021
 - ii. There is no funding for 6 months of mandatory aftercare and no mechanism to hire 3rd party evaluators
 - iii. The division won't have programs that allow the mixing of DHS and DYS students

VII. <u>Legislative Update - Jeff Thormodsgaard, Co-Managing Partner, Michael Best Strategies</u> Jeff sent out monthly report and all members have copies

VIII. Student Report- Student report will break for this month

IX. VIII. Treasurer's Report– Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
 - i. In January we get final funding spreadsheet; revenues are based on January
 - ii. Mill Levy changed due to lesser students
 - iii. We were consistent with cost savings in every category
 - iv. Personnel costs were right on budget
 - v. Cost savings in administrative expenses
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. Anticipated \$19,000 loss, ended up with \$16,000 loss
 - ii. Currently at \$22,000 loss; Ed doing an amazing job at controlling expenses
 - iii. We are adjusting budget for Jeff's contract being renewed
 - iv. Still have \$1 million in reserves
 - v. Motion to accept report moved by Craig Bowman; seconded by Nancy Spence
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund
- X. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel

XI. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman

Craig provided accountability report via email

XII. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy

- A. Save the date for August 8th again; auction items are main topic
- B. Jerry and Doug are working on a book for board members to define everything we discuss as members: Jerry is asking members to reach out regarding terms they may not understand
- C. Jerry would like agreement with community college of Aurora to be placed in the board binder

XIII. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. Lobbyist Report Jeff Thormodsgaard, Michael Best Strategies
- B. Aurora Public Schools Office of Charter Schools Mackenzie Khan, Director
- C. Charter School Institute -Office of CSI Executive Director Terry Croy Lewis (Meeting)
 - i. It is the board's decision on how fast we move towards a new provider

- D. CDHS Management Staff Meeting RVA Lease Agreement Proposal (Meeting)
- E. RVA Board of Director's Meeting Schedule Thursday each month at 9:00am)
- F. RVA Board of Director's Annual Retreat Friday, March 6th, 2020 Site TBD
- G. Motion for meeting to adjourn moved by Craig Bowman; seconded by Nancy Spence

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February 20, 2020 @ 9:00AM - Ridge View Academy - Administrative Conference Room

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, 2019 at Ridge View Academy

Transition Committee Meeting, Ed Greivel & Pat Kirk, Co-Chairs

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Next meeting: March 11, 2020

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School Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 16, 2020 @ 9:00 AM

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 - A. 9:00 AM Meeting Convenes
 - B. Membership Roll Call Quorum
 - i. Bianca Jones
 - ii. Elton Jones
 - iii. Mike Griebel
 - iv. Pat Hayes
 - v. Jerry Adamek
 - vi. Nancy Spence
 - vii. Craig Bowman
 - viii. Doug MacCarthy
 - ix. Bob Eikermann
 - C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda moved by Nancy Spence, seconded by Craig Bowman
- II. <u>Action Items-</u> Approval of December 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Pat Hayes
- III. Denver Public Schools Audit Update: Angie from DPS Portfolio Team present; no update
- IV. Principal's Report- Edward Cope Principal
 - A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Fine arts teacher has moved on with only 4 days' notice
 - ii. Have a part time video game designer to come back, who is also teaching Microsoft outlook classes
 - iii. Ms. Grey changed one of her classes to a culinary nutrition class
 - iv. We are still overstaffed with teachers, but working to balance our budget
 - B. RVA Report
 - i. We are at 89 students; 50 sped kids, 31 DHS students
 - ii. 10 offsite runaways/ 6 onsite runaways since last meeting
 - iii. The culture however is strong and most kids are bought in
 - iv. Students are being hired for automotive jobs out of ROP due to Mr. Collins classes
 - v. Students continuing to participate in Metal Manufacturing
 - C. Charter Renewal Update- waiting
 - D. Floor Scrubber for School
 - \$4000 maintenance asking for approval on this; the board feels ROP should pay for this as it's not a school expenditure (denied by program director)
 - E. Board Member training packet/ manual
 - Susan Schultz feels we don't have a guidebook for a new board member to understand rules, by laws, etc., and would like board to create one
- V. Facility's Report Update Kent Moe, Executive Director- ROP-Mountain Region
 - A. Family First/BBI
 - i. Working with CO DHS, submitted application last month, trauma informed plan is the last prong
 - ii. Meeting next Wednesday to complete the plan
 - iii. We are one of the first to complete the plan and we are working on becoming a QRTP
 - iv. Colorado has put a hold on family first; now not starting until April 2020
 - v. Most detention facilities are overcrowded

- vi. Residential treatment will be cut to 30 days if kids aren't sent to a QRTP; counties have to conform to the new legislative laws and cannot refer kids to RVA unless we a QRTP
- vii. DYS is in limbo on whether they will conform to this or not
- viii. DYS is down to 475 kids; RVA has 59 of those kids
- B. Arizona Retreat
 - Focused on trauma informed care and spotlighted all of the volunteers that are behind the scenes in supporting ROP
 - ii. Jerry very impressed with the diversity of managers at the retreat this year
- C. Embracing project
 - i. Relates to human trafficking; Kent is getting involved with this initiative

VI. <u>Legislative Update - Jeff Thormodsgaard, Co-Managing Partner, Michael Best Strategies</u>

- A. Focusing on licensing issues and renewed contract through November 2020
- B. Pat asking for monthly update provided by Jeff

VII. Student Report- Robotics- Gregory Hertz

 Three students brought in with Mr. Hertz to explain the building of their robot for the upcoming competition on March 20th and 21st

VIII. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
 - i. We lost less last month than what we budgeted for
 - ii. Will continue to lose money due to low numbers
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. Around \$19,000 in the hole currently, mostly due to personnel differences
 - ii. Motion to accept report moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Doug MacCarthy
- C. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund

IX. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel

- A. Last month's meeting cancelled due to no applications
- B. February meeting will be at RVA to meet with clinical and transition workers

X. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman

Next meeting is January 26th; the kids truly appreciate the structure of ROP

XI. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy

Mark August 8th on calendar for fundraiser again at mansion in Castle Rock; start thinking of items to auction off

XII. <u>XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek</u>

- A. Contractual Agreement Lobbyist: Jeff Thormodsgaard, Michael Best Strategies
- B. Aurora Public Schools Office of Autonomous Schools, Jeff Park, Executive Director Charter Schools Director, Mackenzie Khan (Proposed Meeting)
 - i. APS will be our initial contact; will reach out for introductory meeting soon
- C. Charter School Institute Terry Croy Lewis, Ph.D., Ex. Director (Proposed Meeting)
 - i. Will be meeting with her next month day of board meeting
 - ii. CJ coming up with a cost analysis of the two schools
 - iii. Motion to have application from ROP and financial analysis from CJ moved by Bob Eikermann, seconded by Nancy Spence
- D. CDHS Management Staff Meeting RVA Lease Agreement Proposal (Proposed Meeting)
 - If we wanted to lease ROP, it could go forward; we would like our lobbyist to meet with the AG on this first
 - ii. Pat: Do we take over lease of this facility with only 89 kids at a 500 bed facility? Could we provide services for refugees?
 - iii. As the population continues to drop, this is a need to find different services; board has concerns with our ability to run program. This will be a conversation for a later date
 - iv. Focusing on how we can continue serving kids in the state of Colorado
- E. RVA Board of Director's Meeting Schedule Weekdays, Weekend, Mornings, Evenings

- i. Meeting time and dates will not change at this time
- F. RVA Board of Director's Annual Retreat April 16, 2020 Site TBD
- G. ROP Management Retreat Phoenix- covered by Kent
- H. Motion to adjourn moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Mike Griebel

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January 26, 2020 at Ridge View Academy

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School Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday, December 19, 2019

1:00 PM

Graduation follows @ 4pm

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- A. 1:00 PM Meeting Convenes
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 - ii. Craig Bowman
 - iii. Jerry Adamek
 - iv. Pat Haves
 - v. Elton Jones
 - vi. Bianca Jones via phone
 - vii. Doug MacCarthy-excused
 - viii. Mike Griebel- excused
 - ix. Bob Eikermann
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda motion by Craig Bowman, seconded by Nancy Spence

II. Action Items-

- A. Approval of November 20, 2019 Meeting Minutes approved by Nancy Spence, seconded by Craig Bowman
- B. Approval of November 21, 2019 Meeting Minutes approved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Nancy Spence

III. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Staffing continues to be strong; one math teachers moved on which helped budget
 - ii. We could trim a couple of teachers if it was needed
 - iii. Master plan for numbers is complete; new assistant principal is doing fantastic work

B. RVA Report

- i. 93 kids on site; numbers are concerning
- ii. Basketball team is currently 9-1
- iii. Graduation today at 4pm
- C. Charter Renewal Update
 - i. Matt from DPS portfolio management now attending board meetings
 - ii. Discussed DPS now coming for an accountability standpoint for RVA, ongoing monitoring, and offering support to RVA
 - iii. Board members disappointed in DPS feeling the need to monitor the board after 20 years of working with Ridgeview.
 - iv. RVA board would like to contact Aurora Public Schools and CSI before DPS reaches out
 - v. Contract has been finalized with the auditor for DPS (third party auditor); Matt will meet about this on January 8th, 2020
- D. Concurrent Enrollment Plan/ Phi Theta Kappa
 - Brian Weaver encouraging our graduates to get on board with this program; it is like National Honor Society for college kids
- E. Introduce Rugby players @ 10:30am (cancelled due to scheduling changes)

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

Kent Moe sent facility report to members due to being absent

- A. Provider Council Update
- B. CAFCA Update
- C. Family First Update
- D. BBI Update
- Director voiced concerns of students being sent home and not entering RVA
- F. Jerry would like us to focus on meeting with judges and probation; also highlighted conversation with Aurora Police Department
- G. Nancy discussed thought of having unaccompanied minors here

V. Legislative Update - Jeff Thormodsgaard, Co-Managing Partner, Michael Best Strategies

VI. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
 - i. We stumbled in November; money loss was a budget issue that CJ is fixing
 - ii. Total revenues close to what we budgeted; credit to Ed on watching expenses
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. \$384 net income; annually we are doing okay
 - ii. Title 1 will go down significantly
 - iii. Denver round table made about \$51,000 at the fundraiser; 1/3 goes to Roger Allot Fund
- C. 2019-20 Budget Request
- D. Motion to accept report moved by Bob Eikermann, seconded by Nancy Spence, all in favor

VII. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel (will provide double report in January meeting)

A. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund

VIII. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman

Next meeting takes place 26th of January, open invitation 10am-Noon

IX. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy

X. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. Denver Public Charter School Report- provided in Principal report
- B. APS & CSI Charter Application Plan-discuss next meeting
- C. Board Member Resignations
 - i. Vacancies for two members at this time; would like to have a parent or ex-student join
- D. RVA Resource Officer Update
- E. New Member Recruitment Applications Family First Requirements
- F. Member Preferred Meeting Schedule
 - i. Do we want to consider other options?
 - ii. Members are not fans of driving to RVA at night; we will make final decision in January
- G. Community College of Aurora MOU
 - i. Next luncheon is April 26th, 2020; Ed looking into this sooner as we have no kids in the Aurora gives program at this time
- H. Passageways Scholarship Foundation Donation
 - i. Is the board willing to offer donation back to passageway for CO kids?
 - ii. Passageway money comes from ROP employees; further discussion at a later date
- I. Michael Best Strategies Contract Review EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - i. After a contract presentation from Jeff Thormodsgaard, the Board adjourned from its Executive Session. A subsequent motion by Nancy Spence, seconded by Bob Eikermann to retain Mr. Thormodsgaard from Michael Best Strategies for one year at a monthly fee of \$2,500 was unanimously approved. Mr. Thormodsgaard will focus his primary educational and lobbying attention on current Licensing issues. He will function as the "eyes and ears" at the Capitol for the Board, but will attend Board meetings only on an "as needed" basis
- J. Denver Round Table Fundraiser Proceeds- discussed in Treasurer report
- K. Jeff Thormodsgaard renewal proposal
 - i. Final decision is 12-month contract with Michael Best Strategies; \$30,000 subject to final approval with CJ Bower with primary agenda to address the current licensing issues

L. Motion to adjourn moved by Bob Eikermann, all in favor

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December 19, 2019 @ 1:00PM - Ridge View Academy - Administrative Conference Room

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January 26, 2020 at Ridge View Academy

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School Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday, November 21, 2019 9:00 AM

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- A. 9:00 AM Meeting Convenes
- B. Membership Roll Call Quorum
 - i. Nancy Spence
 - ii. Pat Hayes
 - iii. Jerry Adamek
 - iv. Mike Griebel
 - v. Elton Jones via phone
 - vi. Doug MacCarthy via phone
 - vii. Bob Eikermann via phone
 - viii. Bianca Jones- excused
 - ix. Craig Bowman- excused
 - x. Others in attendance: Ed Cope, Autumn Boyer, Kent Moe, Brittany Hoffman
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda moved by Pat Hayes, seconded by Nancy Spence; all in favor

II. **Action Items-**

A. Approval of October 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes motion to accept by Nancy Spence, seconded by Pat Hayes; all in favor

Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal III.

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Staffing patterns remain the same
 - ii. Ms. Hoffman moved to assistant principal position
 - iii. Ms. Mulatu moving on from RVA; we are overstaffed so this will be okay
- B. RVA Report
 - i. 103 kids, 33 SPED kids, 38 DHS
 - ii. Onsite AWOLs since last meeting
 - iii. Lots of offsite activities for kids
 - iv. New intakes becoming more difficult with behaviors in the classroom
 - v. Looking to get back to orientation with 4-5 RAMs helping integrate kids into programing
 - vi. Kids recently took 10th place at the stock market challenge
 - vii. Three teachers still in the master's program and doing very well
- C. Charter Renewal UpdateD. 21st Century Grant Update
 - i. Kids are meeting Friends for Youth staff and working towards more sessions
- E. SRO Discussion
 - i. Kent found federal grant that goes on a year to year cycle
- F. Theatre program folks have come out twice; client managers to sign off on approval for kids

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

- A. Family First/ CAFCA
- B. DYS Updates and Initiatives
 - i. DYS putting out an RFP for secure residential placement; RVA could potentially use one of our units for this and may be allowed to pursue runaways
- C. Provider Council Update
 - i. We convened on November 5th; there are five providers left on the council, where initially there were 18 providers. Two providers no longer do residential treatment

- ii. Qualifications lowered to 21 years of age and a high school diploma; night shift start at \$57 thousand per year
- iii. There is now a waiver to recruit employees from out of state
- iv. Building new facility for Adams County and getting rid of old building
 - Governor's budget proposal: Divide lookout mountain into four separate facilities, no longer multi-use facilities, single gender only
 - 2. Money set aside for drug canines
 - 3. At each site, there will now be a host that does searches and ensures approved people are coming in
 - 4. Bill to increase age for most offenses to 25 years old; \$1.4 billion fiscal note

V. <u>Legislative Update - Jeff Thormodsgaard, Co-Managing Partner, Michael Best Strategies</u>

- A. Jeff has called DA's to come tour Ridgeview and would like the Attorney General to come as well
- B. The budget is out and there is nothing of note in regards to repurposing of RVA
- C. Jeff doing leg work in looking into ROP getting a lease

VI. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Given by Ed Griebel & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
 - Everything looks steady, high personnel expenses due to longer month but this will even out
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
 - i. Balance sheet is normal and there is a decrease in cash flow but no concerns
- C. Motion to accept treasurers report by Pat Hayes, seconded by Nancy Spence; all in favor

VII. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel

- A. Six applicants, three tabled based on incomplete applications; two approved and one denied
- B. \$315 for M. Lindsey's bus passes and \$400 for another applicant
- C. Committee being flexible on helping student from Ghana; he is applying for his Visa

VIII. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman

Next accountability meeting set for January 26, 2020

IX. Community Advisory Board - Doug MacCarthy -

- A. DRT Luncheon on December 12, 2019; checks will be presented from the fundraiser. Jerry cannot attend, so Pat Hayes
- B. Ed bringing students as further RVA representation at the event

X. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. RVA Charter Update with next steps
 - i. Our resolution passed and will move forward
 - ii. DPS wishes to attend our next board meeting
 - iii. Jerry requests working group to discuss next steps and compare APS and CSI
- B. RVA contract Initial Proposal to CDHS
- C. CDOC tour update/ A Christmas Carol Performance by the women's prison (12/6, 7, 12, &13/2019)
 - i. We hosted Warden Ryan Long; he enjoyed Ridgeview
- D. Monthly Meeting Schedule (Day &Time)
 - Potential change in schedule for board meetings so working member's may make the meeting; Cole Wist still interested in joining but conflict in time of meetings deterred him
 - ii. We will revisit meeting times and flexibility of members next meeting
- E. RVA Resource Officer
- F. Retiring Member Luncheon
 - i. Pat Gripped lunch this afternoon after meeting
 - ii. Brian Weaver luncheon December 6th to acknowledge his contributions at Auraria Campus
- G. Mayor Coffman agrees to coming to RVA but no set date
- H. Minutes from November 20th meeting to be discussed in December meeting
- I. Motion to adjourn meeting by Nancy Spence, seconded by Pat Hayes at 11:30am

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 - v. Bianca Jones via phone
 - vi. Nancy Spence-excused
 - vii. Pat Hayes- Excused
 - viii. Craig Bowman
 - ix. Doug MacCarthy
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Mike Griebel

II. Action Items-

- A. Approval of September 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes, Mike Griebel moves, seconded by Craig Bowman
- B. Motion to add audit to the agenda, moved by Bob Eikermann, seconded by Craig Bowman; all in favor
- C. Board of Director Application Doug MacCarthy

III. Audit Results- Presented by Auditor Kyle Logan

- A. Overview
 - i. Tested transactions for expenses that were paid
 - ii. Confirm balances with the bank
 - iii. Compare fiscal years and why there may be changes
 - iv. Academy received a clean opinion from the auditor
 - v. Financial statements received
- B. Highlights
 - See pages 1 and 3, total assets \$1.3 million; \$1.1 million is unrestricted and available for next year, majority of assets are cash (slight decrease from previous year due to student count
 - ii. Total revenue \$2.3 million, total expenses \$2.7 million, net loss of \$411,000
 - iii. Page 12, we are below budget this year
- C. Management Letter
 - i. Required by standards and used to bring up any concerns
 - ii. Nothing to report in this year's letter
 - iii. Policies and procedures are in place and being followed
- Motion to accept audit moved by Bob Eikermann, seconded by Craig Bowman, all in favor, none opposed
- IV. Board of Director Application
 - A. Nancy and Pat both suggested that Doug MacCarthy join the board; Bob mentioned we should continue searching for diversity on the board
 - Craig enjoys Doug's level of expertise in looking over documents and communicating it with the board
 - C. Mike asked how many members the board would like to have; Jerry states we can have up to 11 but would like to function with 9 members
 - Motion to address Doug's application; moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Mike Griebel; 3 in favor, 1 opposed

E. Doug MacCarthy accepted and welcome as board member

V. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. Assistant Principal Becker's last day is 10.18; he has done an amazing job with Ridgeview and been with ROP for 18 years. He will be the dean of students for Vista Peak. Ed has a teacher in mind to take over AP duties
 - ii. We are also losing Mr. Hayes, as he is going to Mountview YSC; and one math teacher moving on
 - iii. Concern of doing an instructional team leader instead of hiring another assistant principal; Ed is not in favor of this, however it would be an \$8,000 difference in the budget
- B. RVA Report
 - i. 104 students, 38 SPED, 6 offsite AWOL's
 - ii. DYS audit is next week
 - iii. Regional X Country meet is tonight, all sports teams are doing well
- C. Charter Renewal Update-Findings Report
 - Overall the portfolio team was pleased with what they observed; waiting on official vote from Denver
 - ii. We need to improve on our assessments and how we drive instruction
 - iii. We should use MAP testing data more in the classroom
 - iv. We only partially met expectation with coaching and observation in the classroom
 - v. Academic acceleration is great and Ed is amazed with our special ed. programming; Rachel Collins does an amazing job
- D. SPF Results
 - We are the 4th highest school, and are yellow which means we are accredited on watch; we were .5% away from being green
 - ii. We narrowed the gap between us and Emily Griffith to less than 3 percentage points
 - iii. The alternative framework needs more attention, Ed mentions in the charter application

VI. Facility's Report Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director- ROP-Mountain Region

- A. Family First Update
- B. Charter Application
- C. QAQI Next Week
- D. BBI Update/ Student Resource Officer Discussion
 - i. Would like a youth from RVA on the board, as it's a youth and family guided practice
 - ii. Would like kids and families to participate in a performance survey of staff at RVA
 - iii. They would also like us to look into having a qualified occupational therapist at RVA
 - iv. BBI felt that because of our populations and where we're located that we should have an SRO for campus security; how can we build this into our daily rate? (Kent looking into this); our facility would be a model for this
 - v. A conference call will be set for Mike, Bob, Elton, and Kent to plan for SRO officer
- E. Limon Tour Update- Elton Jones
 - Members visited Limon Prison and spoke with about 30 inmates; they have unique programming and are partnering with Third Way
 - ii. Limon would like to partner with us to do cognitive restructuring classes
 - iii. Jerry would like to know more about the prison before becoming involved

VII. Legislative Update - Jeff Thormodsgaard, Co-Managing Partner, Michael Best Strategies

- A. Talks with Kent frequently and is working on tours with law enforcement and potential DA's
- B. There is discussion of what the department thinks about a lease options, Jeff wants to use John Cook in our discussions with law enforcement
- C. Director of department of corrections wants to come to RVA
- D. State facilities are struggling
- E. Legislative group coming to RVA in ten days, led by P. Rosenthal

VIII. Student Report- Ms. Robair: Barbering

A. Credits here can apply to another barbering program elsewhere; Ms. Robair helps students become employable

- B. Students athletes Salas, Mims, and Wardlow state they enjoy the program, that she is a great teacher, and they have learned how to dye hair, and texturize. S/A Wardlow would like to continue his education at Emily Griffith and pursue barbering as a career
- C. The barbering students would like to do more things barbering related in the community

IX. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO-

- A. Motion to move into executive session at 11:30am by Bob Eikermann; seconded by Craig Bowman
- B. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- C. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
- D. 2019-20 Budget Request
- E. Motion to leave executive session at 11:57am made by Bob Eikermann; seconded by Craig Bowman
- F. Motion to increase budget for Assistant Principal moved by Doug MacCarthy, seconded by Craig Bowman
- G. Motion to approve budget "tentatively", moved by Bob Eikermann; seconded by Doug MacCarthy (to submit to DPS)
- H. Roger Allot Memorial Transition Fund

X. <u>Transition Committee- Mike Griebel- 3 applicants</u>

- A. Molash: is resubmitting numbers are over the top; tabled for now
- B. L. Jones: resubmitted and \$500 given to him
- C. S. Johnson received \$2000 for housing, etc.

XI. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman

- A. Copy of report sent out via email
- B. Successful encounter with families; visitors were all related to children
- C. Kids and visitors felt safe
- D. Kids were pleased with their academic accomplishments
- E. Visitors again appreciated contact with board members; kids and parents would like to be more involved

XII. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. Board of Director Member Recruitment
- B. Board of Director Meeting Schedule Weekdays, Weekend, Evenings (survey handout)
- C. CDHS Management Staff Meeting RVA Proposal for Lease Agreement
- D. CDOC Management Staff tour of RVA

Motion to adjourn meeting by Bob Eikermann at 12:13PM, all approved

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 - vi. Mike Griebel
 - vii. Craig Bowman
 - viii. Others in Attendance: Kent Moe, Doug MacCarthy, Autumn Boyer, Ed Cope, and 2 DPS representatives
- C. Approval of the Meeting Agenda moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Nancy Spence

II. Action Items- Approval of July 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes

- A. Motion to approve minutes moved by Nancy Spence, seconded by Craig Bowman; no additions
- Motion to approve Anders minutes on 9/9/19 moved by Bob Eikermann, seconded by Nancy Spence

III. Principal's Report- Eric Becker, RVA Assistant Principal

- A. Staffing Patterns/ Teacher Movements
 - i. No changes over summer, little turnover
 - ii. Mr. Sedia is new permanent sub
 - iii. New registrar is fantastic
 - iv. Teachers in Metro State program are doing well; plan to have alternative licensure in June
- B. Student Population
 - i. Total population 98, under where we would like to be, many intakes, also many exits
 - ii. AWOL issue still exists, 11 AWOLs last month
 - iii. DHS (39), DYS (59), Sped (37)
- C. RVA Report
 - i. Junior achievement coming in for kids on November 1st to discuss career success, how to get hired, and conducting yourself during interviews
 - ii. Restorative Theatre, DYS provider coming in to do 8 week course on how to act and write a play; 12-13 kids will participate
 - iii. 2 grant programs occurring now; Capturing Kids Hearts (teachers posting social contract), and Growth through connections (creating positive relationships with kids)
 - iv. Soccer, Cross Country, and Football occurring now
 - v. F List at about 12 kids right now, very low
 - vi. Robotics competition September 28th at 3pm, memorial for student from STEM
- D. Charter Renewal Update
- E. PSAT/ SAT Results
 - 2019 SAT Results: 0 percent proficient in math; 3-20 percent proficient in reading and writing
 - ii. PSAT Results: 1-2 percent proficient in math; 6-12 percent proficient in reading and writing

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

X. CAB Report- Doug MacCarthy- Bids for Kids Update

- A. Bids for Kids made around 17,000 dollars
- B. Owners of the home loved the kids that volunteered and invited us back next year

XI. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. Discussion of two resignations
 - Brian Weaver and Patrick Grippe; would like to honor them possibly in the November meeting and would like to get letter from board members thanking them for their service with the board
- B. Would like to get legislative committee from members on this board
- C. We have strategic plan that we haven't looked at in a while; we need a plan about what we are doing so it doesn't fall off the table (send out strategic plan and figure out future direction of Ridgeview)
- D. Discussed Doug's letter of intent and will discuss again in October meeting; also possibility of Cole Wist joining the board
- E. We would like to have minorities on our board and reflect our student body; look into former Hispanic parent to join our board
- F. Discussion of receiving Families First training
- G. Motion to adjourn meeting by Craig Bowman, seconded by Mike Griebel

Future RVA Board of Directors Meetings: (All Meetings at Ridge View Academy unless otherwise indicated)

October 17, 2019 @ 9:00AM (potentially held at Q House)

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

All board members are invited to attend these meetings and events

Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman, Chair:

September (), 2019 at Ridge View Academy

Transition Committee Meeting, Ed Greivel & Pat Kirk, Co-Chairs

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

SPECIAL NOTE:

Regular and Special Board Meetings of the Ridge View Academy Board of Directors, as well as Study Sessions are open to the general public, but Executive Sessions are not open.

Ridge View Academy School Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 18 2019 9:00 AM

The Mission of the Ridge View Academy Board of Education is to ensure that Ridge View Academy 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. Patricia Hayes-Member
 - b. Patrick Grippe member
 - c. Nancy Spence- Member
 - d. Jerry Adamek- President
 - e. Elton Jones- Ex -Officio
 - f. Craig Bowman-Secretary
 - g. Mike Griebel-Vice President
 - h. Bob Eikermann- Treasurer
 - i. Brian Weaver- Absent
 - j. Bianca Jones- Member
 - k. Others in Attendance
 - i. Kent Moe-Executive Director, Mountain Region
 - ii. Eric Becker- Assistant 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, hearing none, all in favor

II. Action Items

Approval of June 20, 2019 Minutes by Craig Bowman; seconded by Mike Griebel; all in favor; none opposed

III. Principal's Report- Eric Becker, RVA Assistant Principal

- A. Student Population
 - a. 91 students (67 DYS/ 24 DHS)
 - b. 22 SPED Students
 - c. 3 students identified as Gifted and Talented
 - d. 15 identified as ELL's
- B. Employee Turnover
 - a. Robert Gaston L.A. instructor last day 6/27
 - b. Christy Wooten registrar last day 6/20, new registrar Karita Geist starts 7/15
 - c. George Schutte start date 7/15
- C. Charter Renewal Update

Part A submitted 7/12

- D. Professional Development/Training
 - a. AVID Conference 7/17-7/19
 - b. Capturing Kids Hearts 8/8-8/9
 - c. SCM Training for Educators is complete
- E. Student Report
 - a. Rugby Offsite discussion with S/A. Banks
 - b. Mural Project update from S/A D. Cole

IV. Jeff Thormosdsgaard Report:

- A. Charter School Application- Advocacy Denver has concerns regarding there being "foster kids here with criminals", adults mixed with kids, and potential repurposing of RVA. Jeff has spoken with their lobbyist and discussed old lawsuit. They are to note good things about our charter school
- B. Michelle Barnes Tour- Jeff was able to discuss what child welfare looks like, talked about runaways, and looked at statutes
- C. Relationships with DHS- improving due to efforts of the board, and have had good response from legislators wanting to come tour Ridgeview; next goal is to invite CDE to RVA
- D. Nancy would like to board to pay attention to the contact stating how the board can spend their reserves

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

- A. Management Agreement- Past due, need to renew, Jerry currently not in a position to move forward without another review.
 - i. Will do a 90-day approval and reconvene about a longer term agreement
 - ii. Charter renewal will let us know what length of agreement we will receive
 - iii. Board members comfortable with Bill's changes on the agreement; Pat Grippe moves to approve 1-year renewal on contract, seconded by Craig Bowman, all approved
- B. Family First Update- Met with Minna on Tuesday, no adverse action or lawsuit towards RVA from licensing
 - i. There is a document we have to conform to via family first act; and we are getting on board with Building Bridges Model
 - ii. CAFCA conference yesterday, and stakeholder group is August 29th to discuss issues we'd like to resolve
 - iii. Family First is a go January 1, 2020
- C. Public Relations- Relationship with Anders is going well, working on tours
- D. DYS- Continues to work through issues and we are doing our best to support them; working together on out of state referrals

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

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units:
 - a. 346,000-dollar loss at the end of June
 - b. Part of lost is from DeNier and Better Marler; discussion of going to ROP to recoup the money we've lost from other programs, Bob and Kent working together to reconcile this
 - c. Pat Hayes moved to accept budget, seconded by Jerry Adamek, all approved
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
- C. Income Statement

VII. Transition Committee- Mike Griebel:

- A. From July meeting; 5 applicants, 4 were approved
- B. One tabled for the time being
- C. Committee gave approximately 7,000 dollars for transition
- D. Continue looking for success stories from previous students

VIII. Golf Tournament- Michelle Stefancic:

There were more golfers this year, great participation from vendors, purchase of super tickets, and overall a classy event

IX. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman:

Met June 30th from 10-11:30am and observed students appreciating the structure. Most appreciated the vocational programs, while some struggled with redirection. Students talked about specific goals from vocation to educational. Students and adults appreciated visits from the board members, and parents asked board members to keep an eye on their son who currently wants to go back to the Griffith Center. Nancy is interested in coming back. Committee met with around 10 students. The next meeting is in September. Date TBA.

X. CAB Report- Doug MacCarthy- Public Relations-

A. Bids for Kids is coming up, want to raise money, invites have been sent

A. Family First and DYS

- Proposed at federal level; Colorado 3rd state to begin; residential dollars out for foster care and reinvesting into family preservation, impacting us as those dollars were being used for placing kids
- ii. January 1st start date, agencies wanting to with 4E kids have to become a QRTP and must become trauma informed; DYS now opting in to the act
- iii. The state is collaborating with us; when a 4E child is referred a 3rd party reviewer must assess within 21 days if the child is appropriate for placement; DHS kids will be reviewed in detention facilities first before coming to RVA
- iv. DYS: when the 3rd party reviewer assesses and agrees the child is appropriate, child will receive all services; if reviewer disagrees with placement, DYS will pay for child to come
- v. No more group homes in Colorado moving forward

B. Recap of Anders Meeting

- DYS population is plummeting; judges potentially not committing kids due to violence in secure facilities
- ii. Discussion of only taking DYS kids, but DHS population on the rise
- iii. Discussion of using RVA for a day school
- C. Charter Application
- D. BBI Update
 - i. We are now submitting QRTP application
 - ii. 6 core strategies though BBI; we would like more student participation in the board meeting, and would like a parent of a previous child on the board
- E. DPS Visit/ Review 9.24.19
- F. Limon Tour Update- Elton Jones- On hold for October 2019 Meeting

V. <u>Legislative Update - Jeff Thormodsgaard, Co-Managing Partner, Michael Best Strategies</u>

- Meeting with Nancy Todd today; so far have had a good fall with tours and we are pleased with legislator's feedback
- B. Beth McCann toured and was pleased with Ridgeview and got to see our differences
- C. Plan is to get Chris Kennedy out for a tour, as well as Rachel Zenzinger
- D. Would like RVA to establish a presence at the capital; create a committee?
- E. Jeff says "No specific concerns from legislators regarding RVA, but we look militaristic"
- F. Repurposing of RVA still on the table

VI. Student Report- Ms. Gray, Culinary Nutritionist

- A. Ultimate goal is to get our new kitchen manager to take on 2 classes for kids in the afternoons
- B. Ms. Gray has been with us for a year; students develop food safety knowledge first, then handle food, learn knife skills, and learn the health model
- C. S/A Ekelund and S/A Banks have learned how to cut foods, earned Serve Safe Certification, learned about cross contamination, and have gone on off-sites for food shows

VII. VIII. Treasurer's Report- Bob Eikermann & CJ Bower, CFO

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
 - Budget will need to be redone as it's now based on 150 students; will need to drop it to 110 students; about a 15,000-dollar loss instead of a positive
 - ii. Pat Hayes mentioned the money loaned to ROP, CJ says we need to look into it and resolve how much was used and how the board gets it back
 - iii. Jeff's contract brought up; it is up in December 2019
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow
- C. 2019-20 Budget Request
- D. Motion to receive report moved by Craig Bowman, seconded by Nancy Spence

VIII. <u>Transition Committee- Mike Griebel</u>

A. Roger Allot Fund

- i. Report from August: 4 students reviewed, two females/ two males
- ii. September: 2 applicants; 1 for 1000 dollars (student having twins), L. Jones requested 2000 dollars but is tabled to next month (was applicant 3 years ago)

IX. Accountability Committee, Craig Bowman

Ed set schedule for accountability meetings, flyer will be posted; next meeting is October 6th; Nancy would like to attend

- B. 90 dollars to attend and participate and that money goes to the kids
- C. Running low on gift cards and wine donations
- D. There is a 2 minute and 40 second movie about Ridgeview
- E. Currently looking to interview prior RVA students to talk about what Ridgeview and transition did for them
- F. RVA students are assisting in catering, and registration is open

XI. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. Housekeeping: Pendulum invitation: Fridays work for Limon, would like to have 10 people go, 6 from the meeting are interested
- B. Meeting with Anders and Al Estrada July 26th to discuss mixing of DHS and DYS kids, meeting with be from 10am to noon
- C. Mike Griebel, Pat Hayes, and Bob Eikermann interested in contract review
- D. Board is working to keep Brian Weaver on the board
- E. Mt. Evans Q House board meeting to be scheduled for August or October

XII. Adjournment PM

Motion for adjournment by Craig Bowman, seconded by Pat Hayes and Nancy Spence, all approved

Next Meeting:

Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 9AM

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