

**Ridge View Academy
School Board of Directors - Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 20, 2022 @ 9:00AM**

MISSION STATEMENT

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Call to Order

- A. 9:00 AM Board Meeting Convenes – Adjournment by 11:30 AM
- B. Membership Roll Call – Establish Quorum
 - **Jerry Adamek**
 - **Doug MacCarthy**
 - **Nancy Spence**
 - **Kevin Lash**
 - **Ross Frasier**
 - **Maria Perez**
 - **Brad Billingsley**
 - **Pat Hayes**
 - **Mike Griebel**
 - *Elton Jones*
 - *CJ Bower*
 - *Kent Moe*
 - *Brittney Hoffman*
 - *Cheryl Myers*
 - *Michelle Stefancic*
 - *Evy Schott*
 - *Becky Miller Updike*
- C. Approval of Meeting Agenda
 - **Motion to approve Jan. 2022 meeting agenda made by Pat, second by Maria. Motion passed.**
- D. Approval of December, 2021 Meeting Minutes
 - **Motion made to approve the minutes from Dec. 2021 made by Pat with the correction to the Aug. 2022 fundraiser that will be in person instead of virtual, second by Kevin. Motion passed.**

II. Treasurer's Report– CJ Bower, ROP-CFO – Ross Fraser, Treasurer

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow – DPS Approved Escrow
 - *Discussion, no significant changes*
- C. Roger Allott Memorial Transition Fund
 - *No awards to report from January, 2022*

III. DPS Portfolio Management - Jerry Adamek

- A. DPS MOU Update – RVA Revised Budget – Reimbursement of \$179K/Lobbyist Contract
 - *Discussion about revisions to be made, Jerry will notify Bill Bethke of the recommendations*
 - **Doug motioned to make a change to the language regarding the Roger Allot fund to be available to any Colorado ROP student, Pat seconded. Motion passed.**

IV. Principal's Report- Edward Cope - Principal

- A. CSI Charter School - Affiliation Update
 - *Dr. Cope talked about the application and updated the board about the status. This process is on hold for now until there is a building for the charter.*

V. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director – Evy Schott update

- A. CDHS and DYC Update – Law Suit Status

- *Kent talked about a partnership with Children's Hospital and the need for a residential program for current kids.*
- B. Ombudsman Report
 - *The regulatory reform is looking solid.*
- C. Aurora City Meeting with former Senators Nancy Todd/Nancy Spence
 - *Nancy Spence, Pay Hayes, Nancy Todd and her husband met with Mike Coffman*
 - *There was discussion about the homeless shelter proposal and Mr. Coffman's conversations with the governor.*
 - *Additionally, Nancy Todd has reached out to the AG's office*
- D. Day School Location Proposal – Update
 - *No updates at this time*
- E. ROP Video Proposal – Dru Holley
 - *No updates at this time*
- F. Mt. Evans QHouse Director – Stephen Colgate
 - *No updates at this time*

VI. Accountability Committee, Kevin Lash, Board Representative

- A. Subcommittee Update
 - *The subcommittee included most of the school board members*
 - *The committee came up with goals and objectives that Kevin would like the board to vote on and accept:*
 1. ***Pursue re-opening RVA as a Residential Treatment Facility***
 2. ***Bringing RVA to its highest and best use***
 3. ***Support legislation to fix the CDHS regulatory environment***

Motion seconded by Pat to accept the goals and objectives. After discussion, the motion passed.

 - *The subcommittee will continue to meet weekly for an hour*
- B. ROP One-Pager (draft)

VII. Lobbyist Report – Becky Updike

- A. Meeting with Children's Hospital-Colorado Representatives
 - *Becky connected with Laura Love to discuss damage control and what needs to happen to save the reputation of Ridge View/ROP*
 - *There is a meeting with a VP at Children's Hospital scheduled in Feb.*
 - *The homeless proposal from the governor is making rounds and there are some members of former committees that are willing to question the proposal*

VIII. XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- A. President's Absence - Vice-President to preside February and March Meetings
 - *There was discussion about the need for a monthly meeting*
 - *Jerry proposed that the meeting in Feb. take place on Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 2:00 pm*
 1. ***Motion to change the meeting made by Pat, Nancy seconded. Motion passes.***
- B. Quis McIntyre – Former RVA student – Why not the rest?
 - *Evy Schott will reach out to the regional staff that may have contact information of former students and send to the Board.*
- C. Critical Incident Review (As needed)
- D. Other
 - *Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 AM made by Ross, seconded by everyone. Motion passes.*

IX. Action Items-

- A. None

X. Public Comment:

XI. **Next Meetings:** Tuesday, February 15, 2022 @ 2:00 PM – ROP #335
Office/Zoom

Thursday, March 17, 2022 @ 9:00AM – ROP #335 Office/Zoom

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Accountability Committee, Kevin Lash, Chair:

Next Meeting: - 2022 Meeting (TBA)

Transition Committee Meeting, Mike Greivel, RVA Board Liaison - Ed Greivel/Pat Kirk, Co-Chairs

Meets Monthly, Second Wednesday at 12:30PM – **ZOOM MEETINGS ONLY!!!**

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- B. Membership Roll Call – Establish Quorum
 - **Jerry Adamek**
 - **Doug MacCarthy**
 - **Nancy Spence**
 - **Kevin Lash**
 - **Ross Frasier**
 - **Maria Perez**
 - **Brad Billingsley - excused**
 - **Pat Hayes**
 - **Mike Griebel**
 - *Brittney Hoffman*
 - *Cheryl Myers*
 - *Michelle Stefancic*
 - *Evy Schott*
 - *Kent Moe*
 - *Becky Miller Updike*
- C. Approval of Meeting Agenda

- **Motion to approve Feb. 2022 meeting agenda made by Pat, second by Mike. Motion passed.**

D. Approval of Jan. 2022 Meeting Minutes

- **Motion made to approve the minutes from Jan. 2022 made by Doug, second by Pat. Motion passed.**

II. Treasurer's Report– CJ Bower, ROP-CFO – Ross Fraser, Treasurer

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow – DPS Approved Escrow
 - Cheryl reviewed the financials and there was discussion about the MOU dates for the deposit into the escrow account
- C. Roger Allott Memorial Transition Fund
 - No awards to report from Feb., 2022
 1. **Motion to accept the financial report by Nancy, second by Doug. Motion passes.**

III. DPS Portfolio Management - Jerry Adamek

- A. DPS MOU Update
 - **Motion to approve the MOU with most recent update made by Kevin, second by Ross. Motion passes.**

IV. Charter School Status Report - Ross Fraser, Treasurer and Ed Cope A CSI Charter School

- A. CSI Charter School - Affiliation Update
 - Ross updated the board about his meeting with Terry from CSI. Terry offered to have a conversation with governor about our plans.
 - Jerry asked Doug and Ross to update Bill Bethke about the conversation with Terry, as well as reach out to Ed Cope to get a status update on the application process.

V. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director – Evy Schott update

- A. CDHS and DYC Update – Law Suit Status
- B. Day School Location Proposal – Update
 - No updates at this time
- C. ROP Video Proposal – Dru Holley
 - No updates at this time
- D. Mt. Evans QHouse Director – Stephen Colgate
 - No updates at this time

VI. Accountability Committee, Kevin Lash, Board Representative

- A. Subcommittee Update
 - Kevin emailed legislators and lobbyists with the message that we are ready to continue programming.
 - Kevin asked that everyone get our message out to as many as possible
 - Jerry asked if the 1 page document about RV/ROP was sufficient for everyone to distribute and if everyone was in favor of the document as is. How do we best get our message across if not. A cover letter along with the document might be a good idea.
 - Nancy suggested that each legislator is contacted individually and in person.
 - Possibly send to members of the media?

VII. Lobbyist Report – Becky Updike

- Becky spoke about her interactions with Dafna and legislative members.
- There is no update on the Ombudsman report at this time

- *Becky also recommended that we hand deliver the 1-page report to the legislators at the capital.*
- *Nancy asked if we could turn this effort into a bill. There was discussion and everyone agreed it is a good idea. Becky will work with Dafna and Nancy on this process.*

VIII. **President's Report- Jerry Adamek**

- A. Testimonial support from students
 - *The board will need to determine if the students are appropriate to speak about ROP in a positive manner. Phone calls to the students by the board members will be needed.*
- B. President's Absence –
 - *Discussion around the need for the March meeting and/or changing the date.*
 - **It was decided that the March meeting take place on Tuesday, Mar. 15 at 2:00 pm**
- C. Critical Incident Review (As needed)
- D. Other
 - *Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 pm made by Ross, seconded by Nancy. Motion passes.*

IX. **Action Items-**

- A. None

X. **Public Comment:**

XI. **Next Meeting: Thursday, March 17, 2022 @ 9:00AM – ROP #335 Office/Zoom**

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- B. Membership Roll Call – Establish Quorum
 - **Jerry Adamek**
 - **Doug MacCarthy**
 - **Nancy Spence - excused**
 - **Kevin Lash**
 - **Ross Frasier**
 - **Maria Perez**
 - **Brad Billingsley**
 - **Pat Hayes**
 - **Mike Griebel**
 - *Brittney Hoffman*
 - *CJ Bower*
 - *Michelle Stefancic*
 - *Evy Schott*
 - *Kent Moe*
 - *Elton Jones*
 - *Becky Miller Updike*
- C. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Feb. 2022 meeting
 - **Motion to approve Feb. 2022 meeting minutes made by Ross at, second by Pat. Motion passed.**

II. Treasurer's Report– CJ Bower, ROP-CFO – Ross Fraser, Treasurer

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow – DPS Approved Escrow
 - *CJ reviewed the financials.*
- C. Roger Allott Memorial Transition Fund
 - *No awards to report from Mar., 2022*

III. Charter School Status Report - Ross Fraser, Treasurer and Ed Cope

- A. CSI Charter School - Affiliation Update
 - *Jerry and Ross have been in contact with Ed Cope regarding the application process.*
 - *Ross spoke about the future of a charter at RV as a possibility, and if DPS might consider working together. Sometimes there is a "Year 0" where there is a charter without students.*
 - *DPS has received the signed MOU as of 2/22/22.*

IV. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director – Evy Schott update

- A. CDHS and DYC Update – Law Suit Status
 - *ROP is very grateful for this school board and all of their hard work.*
 - *Ombudsman legislative initiative is going forward*
 - *The ROP appeal is still alive*
 - *Brad Billingsley has been a great resource, and has made contact with former Senator Cole Wist, who is very supportive of our mission.*
 - *Jeffrey Butts, who is a juvenile justice expert, has also been informed of our mission and will be a great resource. We are hoping to have these resources present for the upcoming legislative sessions.*

V. Accountability Committee, Kevin Lash, Board Representative

- A. Subcommittee Update

- *The sub-committee continues to meet.*
- *The committee has talked about the attendees at the legislative sessions, to include board members, former students, media.*
- *There is a rough draft of speaking points for the members who will be presenting at the sessions.*

VI.Lobbyist Report – Becky Updike

- *Becky spoke about conversations with Moe Keller and Senator Todd.*
- *Leslie Harod, on the JBC, was under the impression that the homeless repurpose at Ridge View was happening.*
- *Senator Bob Rankin, who served with Nancy Todd, wasn't aware of the homeless plan and was very concerned.*
- *Senator Rhonda Fields said she is very disappointed with the closing of RV and would ask for a presentation regarding the crisis happening.*

VII.XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- *Jerry spoke about the meeting with Nancy Todd and Moe Keller, VP of Mental Health Colorado*
- *Jerry spoke with George Kennedy, Minna's predecessor, and he asked what he could do to help with our mission. He will be a great resource.*
- *Jerry asked Evy about a list of former students and parents who could be present at the sessions.*
 1. *Evy wants to post information on the Friends of Ridge View website and would like help with this.*
 2. *She is working with transition workers on reaching out to the students and families*

• *Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Doug, second by Kevin, meeting adjourned at 3:27 pm.*

VIII.Next Meeting: Thursday, April 21, 2022 @ 9:00AM – ROP #335 Office/Zoom

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Thursday, April 21, 2022 @ 9:00 am

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Call to Order

- A. 9:02 AM Board Meeting Convenes – Adjournment by 11:30 AM
 - B. Membership Roll Call – Establish Quorum
 - **Jerry Adamek**
 - **Doug MacCarthy**
 - **Nancy Spence - excused**
 - **Kevin Lash**
 - **Ross Frasier**
 - **Maria Perez - excused**
 - **Brad Billingsley - excused**
 - **Pat Hayes**
 - **Mike Griebel**
 - *Brittney Hoffman*
 - *CJ Bower*
 - *Michelle Stefancic*
 - *Evy Schott*
 - *Kent Moe*
 - *Elton Jones*
 - *Becky Miller Updike*
 - C. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 2022 meeting
 - **Motion to approve March 2022 meeting minutes made by Pat, second by Doug. Motion passed.**
 - **Motion to approve today's meeting agenda, with the addition of the discussion about the upcoming hearing, was made by Kevin, seconded by Pat.**
- Motion passed.**

II. Treasurer's Report– Cheryl Myers, – Ross Fraser, Treasurer

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow – DPS Approved Escrow
 - *Cheryl reviewed the financials.*
- C. Roger Allott Memorial Transition Fund
 - *1 award granted in April 2022*

III. Charter School Status Report - Ross Fraser, Treasurer and Ed Cope

- A. CSI Charter School - Affiliation Update
 - *There has been no communication from Ed so far, to either Jerry or Ross.*
 - *If Ed is no longer available, ROP will continue efforts for the charter application*
 - *With the RVA charter ending June 30, this is an urgent matter*

IV. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director – Evy Schott update

- A. CDHS and DYC Update – Law Suit Status
 - *We are waiting for a response from the attorney general's office regarding the efforts to clear ROP's name and reputation*
 - *The Ombudsman bill is designed to create a specific measurable balance when Colorado considers actions within the CDHS licensing dept. There would be an independent 3rd party entity facilitating the actions, and this entity would report directly to the Ombudsman.*

V. Accountability Committee, Kevin Lash, Board Representative

- A. Subcommittee Update

- The sub-committee continues to meet.

VI.Lobbyist Report – Becky Updike

- There is a stakeholder meeting today at 11:00 am to discuss the Ombudsman bill that Kent and Becky will be attending.
- Last week, there was a meeting with the VP of Public Affairs at Children’s Hospital regarding the mental health needs for kids in the state. There have been several efforts by Nancy Todd and Cole Wist to meet with the governor’s office to no avail.
- Cole’s opinion is that everyone is afraid of the governor.
- There was discussion about sending information to the media, which seems to be the last resort at this point. There will be a strategy meeting to discuss how to proceed.
- Discussion around folks that will be testifying against the bill on Monday, 4/25.
- Additionally, the surrounding HOA’s need to be notified. Kelly Turk and Michelle will follow up with the surrounding communities.

VII.XIII. President’s Report- Jerry Adamek

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Ross, second by Pat, meeting adjourned at 10:34 am.

VIII.Next Meeting: Thursday, May 19, 2022 @ 9:00AM – ROP #335 Office/Zoom

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Next Meeting: (TBA)

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Ridge View Academy
School Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – 5/19/2022
ROP Office with ZOOM Option
800 Grant Street – Ste. #335

I.Call to Order:

- a. Meeting Convened – 9:00am

- b. Board Members present: Jerry Adamek, Kevin Lash, Maria Perez, Mike Greibel, Nancy Spence, Pat Hayes. OTHERS: Kent Moe, Elton Jones, Cheryl Myers, Becky Miller-Updike, Nancy Todd
- c. Meeting Agenda – Moved for approval by Jerry, and approved by the BOD.
- d. Approved April 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes

II. Financial Report – Provided by Cheryl Myers

- a. Reviewed Balance Sheets at length and answered questions.
- b. Nancy asked about repaying PPP funds. Cheryl reported they do not have to be repaid, and were forgiven.
- c. Report approval: Moved Pat, Seconded Maria, approved.

III. Senator Nancy Todd (Ret.) – Legislative Session Update and Impressions.

- a. Reviewed her various outreach attempts, expressed great frustration at the whole process. She now believes the Governor was likely behind everything that happened at RVA, including its closure. She is now aware that Governor was already building effort for support through the fall without full information. From everyone she spoke with, she constantly heard that they had no idea what happened at RVA, and later in the discussions, well the “train has already left the station,” and that there was nothing that could be done. She praised Sen Dafna Michelson-Jenet as the one person who stood up and tried, to say “no,” thus doing what was right in spite of the political calculus.
- b. Although the Governor's office refused her attempts to arrange a meeting, she did run into the Governor at the prayer luncheon, and told him she had been trying to see him. When she told him she wanted to talk about RVA, the conversation ended and he avoided her. .
- c. She indicated that CDHS Executive Director Michelle Barnes had requested that they talk during the House committee hearings. However, she has been tied up and hasn't had the opportunity to get in touch with her yet. She will do so in the near future and let us know the outcome.
- d. She did have the opportunity to speak with Lt Gov Primavera, and expressed her disgust with the process.
- e. She expressed being saddened with the behavior of Sen Field's – particularly her falsely alleging there was Child Abuse at RVA on the Senate Floor as a tactic to pass SB22-211.
- f. She praised former Rep Cole Wist's efforts to support RVA.

IV. Becky Miller Updike - Political Lobbyist

- a. Spoke about the conflict she has as representing CAFCA as their Executive Director. She discovered late in the game that one of her members, Family Tree was working with the Governor's office a partner for the re purposing of RVA, unbeknownst to her. Thus, she could not actively participate on the committee hearings.
- b. Discussed the various meetings she had attended, supporting RVA, and her frustrations with the outcome.
- c. She stated the Ombudsman Bill to place guidance and regulations around got gutted – due to states fiscal note alleged by CDHS that was ridiculous (\$4-5 million)
- d. There will be a runaway task force that is going forward.

V. Subcommittee Report regarding SB22-211 – Kevin Lash

- a. Thanked the various sub-committee members for meeting weekly since early January to guide our legislative efforts, primarily to attempt to reopen RVA. Also, thanked all those who testified before committee hearings.

- b. Noted that it appeared obvious that the committee votes were already solidified before we ever showed up. It is doubtful that there was anything that could have been done to stop the re-purposing bill (SB22-211). Mentioned Dafna Michaelson-Jenet showed real courage, to stand up to the Governor who opposed us.
- c. Noted that when the House Committee members gave the reason's for their votes, that it appeared they had ignore most of our presentation. Some of their reasoning for their votes was "tortured reasoning."
- d. Would have been helpful if the homeless community opposing SB22-211, had showed up before the committee's to testify as they said they would. We had no control over this.

VI. ROP Mountain Region Update – Kent Moe, Executive Director,

- a. Discussed ROP Lawsuit/Mediation efforts, In negotiations with CDHS, and basically, wants to wipe the slate clean back to 2018. Currently, CDHS is insisting two matters need to stay on ROPs record. Cole Wist is now their attorney, and is negotiating with CDHS. Kent is still making efforts to get our story out at RVA. Pausing media strategy for now so negotiations can take place. Ask the board if it makes sense to meet with gubernatorial candidate Heidi Ganal to tell our story, and perhaps with other candidates. Kevin, in particular, felt this was worthwhile – that the public needs to know the tactics this administration was willing to use to pursue their agenda.
- b. As far as the committee hearing, made several comments echoing prior comments. Cole Wist was a very significant contributor. Kent mentioned that the votes were already solid before we ever showed, and it was frustrating that the legislators were not even listening.
- c. Discussed new program possibilities in Colorado. Will have some potential sites and specific ideas for us next month.
- d. Asked about Adams 14, as that district is under scrutiny. Kent felt this was worth a discussion moving forwards. Doug also mentioned that Aurora is closing two elementary schools.

VI. President's Report – Jerry Adamek

- a. Noted he expected Bill Bethke, Board Attorney, but he did not show.. Noted that the relationship with DPS ends at the end of June. Reported that Bill will ask DPS to hold money back for us to have a dinner or Luncheon.
- b. Mentioned contact with CSI – Terry Croy Lewis. However, without a site and a specfic proposal, there isn't much to talk about.
- c. Expressed frustration with the Mixed Messages from Children's Hospital – while it appeared they wanted to partner with us, they instead partnered as a supporter of SB22- 211.
- d. Now that the battle to reopen RVA in its current form is seemingly over, asked BOD member to determine if and how they individually want to go forward over the next month and let him know.

VIII. Roger Allott Fund Report – Mike Greibel

- a. discussed where to transfer the money. Suggested perhaps redirecting funds towards Passageway/Q-House. Discussed letting the wife of Mr. Allott known what we wanted to do.
- b. He reported one referral for a scholarship this month – student Jose Aguirre – gave \$500 for HH expenses.
- c. Expressed exacerbation about continuing on in non-residential.

IX. Jerry noted that ROP Chairman Stu Broman wanted to speak with the Board this meeting, but was detained in another meeting, and would speak at one of our future meetings. Meeting adjourned at 10:51am.

Next Board Meeting – June 16, 2022 @ 9:00am, in person at the ROP Office preferred. There will be a Zoom Option.

Recorder: Kevin Lash - 5/20/2022

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- B. Membership Roll Call – Establish Quorum
 - **Jerry Adamek**
 - **Doug MacCarthy**
 - **Nancy Spence - excused**
 - **Kevin Lash**
 - **Ross Frasier**
 - **Maria Perez**
 - **Brad Billingsley**
 - **Pat Hayes**
 - **Mike Griebel-excused**
 - *Bill Bethke*
 - *Nancy Todd*
 - *CJ Bower*
 - *Ski Broman*
 - *Cheryl Myers*
 - *Michelle Stefancic*
 - *Kent Moe*
 - *Elton Jones*
 - *Becky Miller Updike*
- C. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 2022 meeting
 - **Motion to approve May 2022 meeting minutes made by Pat, second by Kevin. Motion passed.**
 - **Motion to approve today's meeting agenda, with the correction of Ski Broman's name, was made by Doug, seconded by Brad. Motion passed.**

II. Treasurer's Report– CJ Bower – CFO, Ross Fraser - Treasurer

- A. Key Performance Indicators and Summary of All Units
- B. Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flow – DPS Approved Escrow
 - *CJ reviewed the financials.*
 - *There will need to be an audit as well.*
 - *Discussion around items belonging to DPS that remain in storage, which is paid for by RVA funds.*
- C. Roger Allott Memorial Transition Fund

- 2 awards granted in May 2022 for a total of \$3,600

Motion made to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion passed.

III. Political Consultation – Legislative Session Update – Senator Nancy Todd (Ret.)

- Meeting with Michelle Barnes, CDHS-ED.
 1. *There has been no follow up conversation with Michelle Barnes as of yet.*
 2. *There was also discussion about a facility school and using the Allott funds to start a school.*

IV.IV. Political Lobbyist – Legislation Enacted – Becky Miller Updike

- SB22-211 – Signed by Governor
- Ombudsman Bill
 1. *Regulatory reforms and increase transparency. Also keeping youth safe by preventing runaways.*
 2. *Unfortunately, the regulatory reforms were removed, but there will be a task force to help with the runaways.*
- Other Bills of Interest
- CAFCA Assessment of Legislative Session
 1. *Becky also talked about the additional closure of facilities, which totals 47 facilities and 2,000 beds in Colorado*

V. ROP Mountain Region Update - Kent Moe, Executive Director – Evy Schott update

- A. New program possibilities in Colorado
- B. Current status of Lawsuit/Mediation efforts – Cole Wist, Attorney at Law
- C. Ski Broman, CEO-ROP
 - *ROP is going to begin a campaign to talk about the good things that RV did via social media. This will include former students, videos from football games, and staff to create an environment of positivity and take the higher road.*

VI.XIII. President's Report- Jerry Adamek

- *Bill Bethke attempted to contact DPS and has not talked with anyone directly. Jerry asked about the terms of the MOU, as well as the Title funds that were to be transferred into the RVA escrow account. Bill will talk further with CJ and continue to try and reach someone.*
- *There needs to be an agreement between CSI and the jurisdiction in order to move forward with a charter. There is a possibility that Clear Creek could be an option for a charter location. ROP Qhouse was awarded a 5 year contract for 8 beds, beginning July 1, 2022.*
- ***Motion made to continue the efforts to find a charter building and continue as a School Board was made by Brad, second by Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Kevin, second by Brad, meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm***

VII. Next Meeting: TBD

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Ridge View Academy Board of Directors is to ensure that Ridge View Academy provides 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.

All Board members are invited to attend these meetings and events

Accountability Committee, Kevin Lash, Chair:

Next Meeting: (TBA)

Transition Committee Meeting, Mike Griebel, RVA Board Liaison - Ed Greivel/Pat Kirk, Co-Chairs

Meets Monthly, Second Wednesday at 12:30PM – **ZOOM MEETINGS ONLY!!!**

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