

RCS BOD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: May 20, 2021

CTO/Pledge of Allegiance, 5:01 pm

Present: Principal: Derek Anderson, Vice Principal: Domenic Carpine, President: Teresa Schuemann, Vice President: Kelly Trosper, Treasurer: Megan Stanton, Secretary: Ian Rutherford, Member at Large: Kristina Menon.

Community Members: Mrs. Mount, Mrs. Cohen, Mrs. Hamlin (left at 7)

Motion: Move to adopt the consent agenda, April Action Review, Notes and Minutes, pending Mrs. Menon's review of her section.

Moved: Mr. Rutherford

Second: Mr. Trosper

Vote: Unanimous

Board Reports

Headmaster: Reviewed meetings held with parents and administration. Discussed complete and planned hiring activities. The new ambassadors for the 2021-2022 school year have been selected and had their first meeting on May 13th. Junior theses presentations are almost complete. The valedictorian and salutatorian have been chosen. Kindergarten Orientation Night was held on April 28th. Meetings have been ongoing to plan the elementary Latin curriculum. A follow-up meeting was held with grades nine through twelve to answer any remaining questions about the coming school year changes. The Curriculum Review Committee is wrapping up for the year. The State-of-the-School address was delivered on May 7th. A meeting was held to review the spending of COVID ESSR funds.

Deputy Headmaster: The city will be repairing the Lemay entrance and some sidewalk over the summer. The start date is June 1st. VVT system is being replaced. Middle School Day was a big success. Asked to be the Student Government Coordinator for the coming year. Hiring is ongoing for the student summer work crew. Reviewed school events and standardized testing status. Discussed the use of ESSR funds. Reviewed and discussed discipline issues.

Student Services: Report on IEP and 504 student plans. Report on check-ins and behavioral calls. The final benchmark for READ testing is complete. Results will be available in June. We will contract with PSD for 0.1 FTE in-house psychological services for the 2021-2022 school year. We are still hiring for a special education teacher. The death of an employee has resulted in many of student visits to Student Services but outside help has not been needed. The Board can use discretionary funds to assist with anything related to her death.

Admissions: Admissions and lottery numbers were reviewed and discussed. Social media is bringing inquiries into Hubspot, which has resulted in more contacts than in past years. Tours are being given after school to parents who have children pulled in the lottery. Hopefully, meetings in the PAC will be held again over the summer. Kindergarten New Parent Orientation was held on April 28th in the PAC. The New Family Welcome Breakfast will be held on June 6th.

Registrar: Students will have their schedules next week along with the daily rotation schedule. Seventh grade schedules will be completed in June or July. All teachers have their schedules. Final reports for the district will be submitted after grades are completed during the teacher work week.

IT: Report on current and planned projects.

Media: Report provided and reviewed for April 2021 information. At the retreat the Board will discuss what information in the media reports would be most useful for the Board.

President: Thank you to Mrs. Stanton for the extra work and review on the Form 990 process and filing. Additional thanks to Mrs. Menon for all of the work on updating and revising our replacement plans for our requested waivers for the CDE. Congratulations to Mr. Anderson for the wonderful State of the School address and thank you for the informative and insightful Principal's Perspectives. Thanks to Mrs. Hayhurst and Mr. Carpine for the enjoyable and fun Middle School Day. Our approved 4th Charter agreement for renewal was submitted by PSD to CDE. I want to welcome Miss Pritchett and thank Mrs. Houdesheldt for all the fine work with student and faculty schedules. **Volunteer:** Mrs. Douglas is taking over the Volunteer Coordinator position.

Vice-President: Thank you to Mr. Anderson for a great State-of-the-School address. As we approach the end of the year, thank you for navigating the COVID situation and keeping as many kids in school as possible. Thank you for the senior banquet, it shows how amazing a place Ridgeview is, where we have teachers who get to know the students so well. Thank you for the faculty that adapted to do what they could to minimize the loss to academic progress. **SAC Liaison:** The last meeting of the year has been held. We will need to discuss duties and responsibilities for the next committee before the start of the next school year.

Secretary: Thank you for the senior banquet and for holding the upcoming graduation in the PAC. **Legislative Liaison:** Two upcoming bills may have an impact on the school. Strengthening Civics Education (<http://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb21-067>) and Media Literacy Implementation (<http://leg.colorado.gov/bills/hb21-1103>).

Treasurer: Thank you for the senior banquet. The jacket was a great gift. Thank you for getting us to the end of the year. The audit will start in late July or early August. The auditors may call board members but we can just refer them to the president for answers we do not know. April financials were reviewed and discussed.

Member at Large: It was nice having parents in to see the new PAC for the State-of-the-School address. Both the address and banquet had a good gratitude vibe. Thank you to Mr. Carpine for all his work with the Health Department and for the front office for calling parents who have to deal with quarantines. Mrs. Douglas has stepped into her role in the front office well. It was nice to see the mutual respect between students and teachers at the Senior Banquet. Thank you to everyone for supporting the bookshop.

Monthly Business

Volunteers: April 2021 hours and volunteer numbers were reviewed. Volunteer opportunities this month included 7th grade ECO Week, Hoplite Hoedown, CVC and Ridgeview Board duties.

Board Business

Seat A Appointment:

Motion: Move to appoint Mrs. Menon to Seat A for a three-year term starting July 1, 2021.

Moved: Mr. Trospen
Second: Dr. Schuemann
Vote: Unanimous

Seat B Appointment:

Motion: Move to appoint Mrs. Hamlin to Seat B for a three-year term starting July 1, 2021.

Moved: Dr. Schuemann
Second: Mrs. Menon
Vote: Unanimous

Board Business - Discussion Items

4th Charter Agreement for Renewal: The charter will be presented at the June 10th Colorado Department of Education meeting for approval. The meeting can be attended virtually.

<https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeboard/watchlive>

COVID-19 Update: Mrs. Moessner's class had an outbreak today. Prom was not held because of possible issues with outbreaks that could have gotten graduation cancelled. People are not being as vigilant and may not be as careful about keeping their kids home. Fully vaccinated students do not need to be quarantined if there is an outbreak. Masks have been made for graduation, but a final decision about mandating masks has not been made. There is concern that if the school does not comply with district COVID policies that the district will be harder on the school in the future.

Form 990 Review: The form has been file with the RCS Building Corporation included in the filing. More discussion about the form and changes recommended by our accounting firm, CLA LLC and legal counsel will be discussed in Executive Session.

Extended Field Trip:

Motion: Move to approve the extended field trip to Spain with Senora deMunsuri from June 6, 2022 through June 22, 2022.

Moved: Dr. Schuemann
Second: Mrs. Menon
Vote: Unanimous

Energy Provider:

Motion: Move to transfer the school energy provider from Tiger Fuel to Xcel Energy.

Moved: Mrs. Stanton
Second: Mr. Trospen
Vote: Unanimous

Calendar Debrief: Finals started on May 20th. For remote students finals began on May 21st. Prank night is May 25th. Awards assemblies are next week. Graduation is May 29th at noon.

Community Comments

None

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn meeting.

Moved: Mr. Rutherford
Second: Mrs. Menon
Vote: Unanimous

Open Meeting adjourned: 7 pm.

The Board Summer Retreat is currently scheduled for June 7th and 8th, 2021 at the Edward's House. Public attendance for Open Session (TBD) will be via Zoom. Meeting link to be provided upon request of Dr. Schuemann.