

RCS BOD MEETING MINUTES

February 15, 2024

CTO/Pledge of Allegiance, 5:00 p.m. Present: Mr. Rankin, President; Mrs. Mount, Treasurer; Mr. Ryder, Secretary; Mrs. Menon, Member at Large; Mr. Thrasher, Member at Large; Mr. Anderson, Headmaster; Mr. Carpine, Deputy Headmaster.

Community Members:

Motion: to adopt consent agenda, minutes, notes, and action review – with the addition of extended field trip approvals to board business.

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

Board Reports

Headmaster:

Reported on progress with athletics and PE programs, as well as updated the board on outdoor trips. Also discussed student attrition rates and informed the board faculty evaluations are in progress.

Deputy Headmaster:

Reported on levels of student engagement, disciplinary referrals and testing.

Dean of Students and Student Services:

Reported on mental health checks, 504s, and IEP's as well as clubs, athletics, and student activities.

Academic Dean:

Provided midyear curricular feedback. Also reported on the distinct concerns of the elementary and upper school levels. Attendance has improved – the improvement appears to be associated with the change in the tardy policy. The outdoor program is adversely impacting classes that include students in multiple grades.

Admissions:

Reported on the 6th grade preview night, which was well-attended; also informed the board the middle school and high school welcome nights are upcoming.

Registrar:

Reported on state filings. Informed the board that the master schedule for next year is complete. The school calendar was also submitted for approval.

Attendance Report:

Attendance did not dip below 90% at any time last month and has averaged just over 94%

Information Technology:

A list of active projects and updates was submitted with the status indicated on each of them.

Facilities Manager:

The insurance claim relating to roof damage due to hail is awaiting disposition.

Reported on security matters.

Media:

Board received a report on website and social media activity, which experienced typical seasonal fluctuations.

President:

Mr. Rankin submitted his report of activities in the past month.

Vice President:

Secretary:

Mr. Ryder submitted his report of activities in the past month.

Member at Large:

Mrs. Menon submitted her report of activities in the past month.

Seat E:

Mr. Thrasher submitted his report of activities in the past month.

Business Office/Treasurer:

Mrs. Mount submitted her report of activities in the past month. The board is preparing for the budget retreat tomorrow and information for budget preparation will be available then.

Motion: to allocate the leftover Thanksgiving money to Families in Need Fund.

Motion: Mrs. Mount
Second: Mrs. Menon
Vote: Unanimous

Motion: to offer an additional option for a Roth 401k plan in addition to the existing 401k plan.

Motion: Mr. Rankin
Second: Mrs. Menon
Vote: Unanimous

Board Business

Motion: to adopt Policy AP-7.15 Graduation Requirements

Motion: Mrs. Menon
Second: Mr. Rankin
Vote: Unanimous

Motion: to adopt Policy SE-13.0 Philosophy of Sports with friendly amendments.

Motion: Mr. Ryder
Second: Mr. Thrasher
Vote: Unanimous

Motion: to move Policy SE-2.4 School Dance Guests to a second reading with friendly amendments

Motion: Mr. Ryder
Second: Mr. Rankin
Vote: Unanimous

Motion: to move Policy E-7.2 Clean Desk Policy to a second reading.

Motion: Mrs. Mount
Second: Mr. Ryder
Vote: Unanimous

Board Business – Discussion Items

Motion: to approve 2024-25 calendar as presented.

Motion: Mr. Rankin
Second: Mrs. Menon
Vote: Unanimous

Community Comments

None.

Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

Moved: Mr. Ryder
Second: Mr. Rankin
Vote: Unanimous

Open Meeting adjourned: 7:31

Next meeting is currently scheduled for March 21st.

Open Session 5:00pm, RCS R2 Conference Room.