



River Valley Charter School

Development Committee Meeting

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Date and Time

Tuesday February 3, 2026 at 6:00 PM EST

Location

RVCS Middle School Great Room

2 Perry Way

Newburyport, MA 01950

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:00 PM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		Elizabeth Rankin	1 m
B. Record Attendance		Elizabeth Rankin	1 m

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C.	Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Elizabeth Rankin	1 m
II.	Development at RVCS			6:03 PM
A.	Annual Appeal Update & Review	Discuss	Karen Kuse	10 m
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review donations to date • Future steps • Assign thank you notes • Debrief Volunteer Appreciation Party (Which worked better - the training dinner or thank-you party?) 			
B.	Review of Development Plan		Karen Kuse	15 m
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing goals and staying on target - determine "to dos" • Charitable fund opportunities might include: Institution for Savings Charitable Foundation and potential connection with Mason's Charitable Children's Fund. 			
C.	Read A Thon (2/2-2/13/2026)		Karen Kuse	10 m
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation to join has been sent via Facebook, flyer and the Current - children are joining, sponsors are still coming in. • Please connect with potential Sponsor via phone and confirm commitments. • Social media posts are happening ~1/day through school and ER - please post your child's read a thon or a general psa via your personal pages "I am a volunteer at RVCS please support the school, etc...." • Email from school on MONDAY FEB 2 to announce the start • Reminder article for the Current to encourage participation, explain the one-time donation, spreading the word + BIG THANK YOUS! for everyone helping with this • Friday - a reminder flyer goes home with students, Marianne has these and will drop those off at school on Friday AM 			
D.	End of Year Summary - Annual Report		Karen Kuse	5 m

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine presentation of Annual Report - pdf version for web & email, print too? • Contents successes, partners and donors in river categories 		

III. Closing Items **6:43 PM**

A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Elizabeth Rankin	1 m
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