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## River Valley Charter School

### Minutes

#### Finance Committee Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Thursday April 16, 2026 at 8:30 AM

#### Location

##### Microsoft Teams meeting

Join: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/267265776773538?p=P4k5ozRVK4bQb1KQTE>

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#### Committee Members Present

C. Marie (remote), C. Whitford (remote), D. Draper (remote), D. Mitchell (remote), G. LeFave (remote)

**Committee Members Absent**

K. Kuse

**Guests Present**

M. Garnett (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

C. Whitford called a meeting of the Finance & Facilities Committee of River Valley Charter School to order on Thursday Apr 16, 2026 at 8:30 AM.

**II. Finance**

**A. Review March 2025 Financial Results**

The Committee reviewed the March 31, 2025 financial statements and noted the following:

- Most recent tuition data from DESE indicates a 6% increase in 2026 revenue over what was originally budgeted (\$328K).
- Current budget (reforecasted) indicates a net income of \$140K. This moves some of the originally budgeted Foundation contributions to the following year.
- Expenses are within reason of budget for 75% of the year. There has been an increase in administrative fees but all other items are in budget. The timing of Q4 expenses was considered.

**B. 2026 - 2027 Budget Discussion (Tuition and Salary Pool)**

The Committee reviewed the 2026 reforecasted budget and a draft of the 2027 budget, noting the following:

- Central Source has conservatively budgeted a 2% increase in 2027 tuition dollars (\$116K over updated 2026, and \$445K over original budget).
- Initial healthcare and benefit cost estimates indicated a 17% increase.
- A 3.5% increase in salary results in a balanced budget

This cost represents 69.6% of 2027 expected tuition revenue, compared to 68.6% in 2026.

C. Whitford made a motion to To approve a 3.5% increase in the salary line item of the budget. Total budget in 2027 would be \$4,130,258 compared to \$3,989,487 in the prior year. .

D. Mitchell seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

- D. Mitchell Aye
- K. Kuse Absent
- D. Draper Abstain
- G. LeFave Aye
- C. Marie Abstain
- C. Whitford Aye

**III. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
C. Whitford

**B. Approve Minutes**

G. LeFave made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Committee Meeting on 03-18-26.

D. Mitchell seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

- G. LeFave Aye
- K. Kuse Absent
- D. Draper Aye
- C. Marie Aye
- D. Mitchell Aye
- C. Whitford Aye

**C. Approve Minutes**

C. Whitford made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance Committee Meeting on 12-10-25.

G. LeFave seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

D. Draper Aye  
C. Whitford Aye  
C. Marie Aye  
K. Kuse Absent  
G. LeFave Aye  
D. Mitchell Aye

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**Documents used during the meeting**

- March Financials.xlsx
- FY27 Budget.xlsx

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