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River Valley Charter School

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

OML Violation

Date and Time
Friday March 13, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Location
Zoom

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Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8516508581?pwd=8roWrPp5aJXvEAFctC4bxo69QnaDfv.1

Trustees Present
A. Godino (remote), A. Ting (remote), B. MacQuade (remote), C. Getz (remote), C. Whitford (remote), D. Herrera (remote), E. Bradley (remote), E. Rankin (remote), G. LeFave (remote), J. Nickerson (remote), M. Connerton (remote), T. Murdy (remote)

Trustees Absent

D. Mitchell

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Murdy called a meeting of the board of trustees of River Valley Charter School to order on Friday Mar 13, 2026 at 5:02 PM.

C. Public Comment

- Jared Hubbard - community member, provided public comment regarding an **Open Meeting Law complaint** previously filed. He emphasized the importance of transparency, compliance with Open Meeting Law requirements, and public accountability, noting the use of public funds and the school's responsibility to students and families.

II. OML Violation

A. Address OML Violation

The Board discussed the Open Meeting Law complaint related to the **February 25, 2026 Board Meeting**, specifically regarding documentation associated with the **30/60/90 plan**. Key points discussed:

- The agenda and materials had been approved and included in Board records; however, a technical issue with **BoardOnTrack** prevented documents from posting to the public-facing website.
- The issue has since been resolved, and the relevant documents have been manually published.
- The Board reviewed procedures related to the **Complaint Committee**, confirming that it is an open meeting body and that minutes are maintained.
- Executive Session is used when personnel matters require confidentiality; executive session minutes are maintained and released when legally appropriate.
- Best practices were discussed regarding minimizing unnecessary identifying details in public minutes while preserving the substance of deliberations.
- The Board confirmed that legal counsel is assisting in ensuring compliance and appropriate responses.

E. Bradley made a motion to To authorize Mark Terry, School Counsel, to draft and submit the Board's formal response to the Open Meeting Law complaint on behalf of the Board.
D. Herrera seconded the motion.

- **Scope of the Open Meeting Law complaint**, including that it related to the February 25 meeting and the posting of the 30/60/90 plan materials.
- **Explanation of the issue**: a technical problem with BoardOnTrack prevented documents from posting to the public site, which has since been corrected.
- **Complaint Committee process**:
  - Confirmation that the Complaint Committee is an open meeting body.
  - Clarification that minutes are required and maintained.
  - Discussion of when executive session is appropriate (e.g., personnel matters).
- **Minutes and transparency practices**:
  - Whether minutes should be redacted versus moved into executive session.
  - Best practice of recording substance without unnecessary identifying or sensational detail.
- **Anonymity considerations** in complaints and grievances, noting that while the process is not inherently confidential, discretion and restraint are used in public minutes.
- **Role of legal counsel** in ensuring compliance and drafting the formal response.

Multiple trustees asked questions and commented during this discussion, and only **after that exchange** was the motion formally made, seconded, and voted upon.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

J. Nickerson	Aye
B. MacQuade	Aye
E. Bradley	Aye
T. Murdy	Aye
G. LeFave	Aye
C. Whitford	Aye
A. Godino	Aye
D. Mitchell	Absent
D. Herrera	Aye
C. Getz	Aye
A. Ting	Abstain
E. Rankin	Aye
M. Connerton	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 5:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Bradley

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