



River Valley Charter School

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday April 9, 2026 at 3:30 PM

Location

RVCS-great room

River Valley Charter School welcomes your participation at Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Trustees ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of the organization in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our school and assists the Board in making the best decisions for our school. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, guidelines are provided at the bottom of this agenda. All materials for all board and committee meetings, are available on our Board on track public portal found at rivervalleycharter.org.

Trustees Present

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

Trustees Absent

E. Bradley

Guests Present

M. Terry

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 Thursday Apr 9, 2026 at 3:33 AM.

C. Review Trustee Code of Conduct

Code of conduct reviewed by the board

D. Public Comment

Jared Hubbard - The Board received public comment. A member of the community addressed the importance of board communication, engagement with stakeholders, rebuilding trust, and clarity regarding the Board's ability to seek information necessary to fulfill its duties. No Board action was taken in response to public comment.

II. Board Business

A. School Calendar 2026-2027

J. Nickerson made a motion to Approve the official first day of school: September 1, 2026, and last day of school: June 16, 2027.

C. Getz seconded the motion.

- Aligns to Newburyport calendar

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

Roll Call

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

Roll Call

A. Godino Aye

B. Executive Session

D. Herrera made a motion to Enter Executive Session G.L. c. 30A, section 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel (Executive Director Karen Kuse).

A. Godino seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Rankin Aye

E. Bradley Absent

C. Whitford Aye

J. Nickerson Aye

D. Mitchell Aye

M. Connerton Aye

T. Murdy Aye

A. Godino Aye

G. LeFave Aye

A. Ting Aye

B. MacQuade Aye

C. Getz Aye

D. Herrera 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 3:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Murdy

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