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## Research Triangle High School

### Minutes

#### Monthly Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Wednesday May 20, 2020 at 5:30 PM

**Location**

RTHS Board Room

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Due to the statewide COVID-19 restrictions, this meeting will be held as a Zoom video teleconference.

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**Directors Present**

A. Quigley (remote), C. Mugge (remote), C. Rao (remote), E. Cunningham (remote), G. Rodgers (remote), M. Johnson (remote), S. McMullan (remote), S. Rivers-Kobler (remote), V. Vojnovich (remote)

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**Directors Absent**

T. Medhin

**Guests Present**

E. Grunden (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance and Guests**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

G. Rodgers called a meeting of the board of directors of Research Triangle High School to order on Wednesday May 20, 2020 at 5:32 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes from last Board Meeting**

G. Rodgers made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board Meeting on 04-15-20.

C. Mugge seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Quigley	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
C. Rao	Aye
C. Mugge	Aye
M. Johnson	Aye
G. Rodgers	Aye
S. Rivers-Kobler	Absent
S. McMullan	Aye
T. Medhin	Absent
V. Vojnovich	Aye

**D. Monthly Finance Report**

- Budget update: nothing too significant on current spending; saving money;
- some surplus (current budget); solid cash flow
- looked at 5% and 10% funding cut: 2 options

**E. Vote to accept Consent Agenda above**

C. Rao made a motion to accept cosnent agenda.

G. Rodgers seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Quigley	Aye
G. Rodgers	Aye
C. Mugge	Aye
S. Rivers-Kobler	Absent
V. Vojnovich	Aye
T. Medhin	Absent
S. McMullan	Aye
C. Rao	Aye
E. Cunningham	Absent
M. Johnson	Aye

**II. CEO ACTIONS**

**A. CSO REPORT**

- Drive up Graduation ceremony; live streaming on the campus;
- Enrolment is going on fine
- Opening in Fall: Waiting for official guidance from state
- Couple of teacher resignations; Interviewing potential candidates; Hiring to be complete before the next school year

V. Vojnovich made a motion to approve the school calendar, school closing and teacher resignations.

M. Johnson seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Quigley	Aye
C. Rao	Aye
G. Rodgers	Aye
T. Medhin	Absent
S. Rivers-Kobler	Absent
M. Johnson	Aye
S. McMullan	Aye
V. Vojnovich	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
C. Mugge	Aye

**III. Finance**

**A. Review Progress on FY19-20 Budget**

**B. FY 2020-2021 Draft Budget**

- Worst case scenario due to Covid situation: 15% cut in the Charter school world; or could be 0%

- Have the capacity to go with 10% at RTHS; have the resources; puts us in strong fiscal position
- Will be able to meet the bond coverage requirements
- Limited discretionary options for budget cuts
- first 20 days of school attendance determines school funding; looking at enrolment of about 600 students. Target is to have at least 574 students.

A. Quigley made a motion to authorize to distribute the bonus for this year out of the projected surplus.

V. Vojnovich seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Quigley	Aye
M. Johnson	Aye
T. Medhin	Absent
S. McMullan	Aye
C. Mugge	Aye
V. Vojnovich	Aye
S. Rivers-Kobler	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
C. Rao	Aye
G. Rodgers	Aye

A. Quigley made a motion to approve next year budget for FY 2020 - 2021 at 10% reduction.

S. McMullan seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

T. Medhin	Absent
G. Rodgers	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
M. Johnson	Aye
C. Mugge	Aye
A. Quigley	Aye
S. Rivers-Kobler	Aye
S. McMullan	Aye
C. Rao	Aye
V. Vojnovich	Aye

## **IV. Academic Excellence**

### **A. Materials from Committee Meeting**

### **B. Remote Learning**

- ACT/SAT data typically presented at this time is delayed;

- Considering lowering eligibility requirements so that more services can be extended to students (free and reduced lunch participation; providing supplies etc)
- Trying to sustain this service through the current school year and into Fall (based on how budget looks then)
- Teacher attrition much lower than previous years;
- 3 parents/student surveys were conducted since the school close; will plan for next year based on the feedback; what was learned - harder to manage for students as the duration of stay at home progressively increased; not much control over the environment for teachers;
- Mentoring is one option to help students to get through; different perspective and objectivity

## **V. Development**

### **A. Progress on 2019-20 Development Committee Goals**

- Initiatives for this year overtaken by COVID
- Corporate Outreach/Fundraising for Gym: Moved to backburner
- Bloomerang: Adding additional contacts
- Outlook for next year: depends on level of normalcy; first half of the year - help families in need
- Later version of pitchbook: now ready and available

## **VI. Governance**

### **A. Minutes from Committee Meeting**

### **B. Board Recruitment Process and Discussion**

- Recent graduate of RTHS interested in joining the Board; Points to consider: confidentiality, conflicts, experience etc
- Recommendation for potential volunteers to serve a Committee first
- Prepare best practices to follow in recruiting volunteers for Committee/Board
- Ex-IBM executive is interested in joining the Board next school year
- Good resource for Board to read is "Guidebook for Directors of Nonprofit Corporations." See link here: <https://www.americanbar.org/products/inv/book/214005/>

### **C. Board Orientation Documents / Board Expectations**

- Prepare Onboarding materials to have ready before next school year
- Reach out to Committee Chair for materials regarding their Committee to add to Onboarding material

## **VII. 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 6:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

G. Rodgers

C. Rao made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

V. Vojnovich seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. McMullan	Aye
T. Medhin	Absent
V. Vojnovich	Aye
C. Rao	Aye
G. Rodgers	Aye
A. Quigley	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
S. Rivers-Kobler	Aye
C. Mugge	Aye
M. Johnson	Aye