



Research Triangle High School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday March 16, 2016 at 5:30 PM

Location

Sigma Xi Conference Room

Directors Present

C. Mugge, C. Nygard, C. Rockafellow, J. Kerr, S. McMullan, T. Vaidhyan

Directors Absent

D. Walsh, K. Ondrick, R. Cohn

Guests Present

E. Grunden, P. Blizzard

I. Opening Items**A. Record Attendance and Guests****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

S. McMullan called a meeting of the board of directors of Research Triangle High School to order on Wednesday Mar 16, 2016 at 5:30 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

K. Ondrick made a motion to approve minutes.

C. Mugge seconded the motion.

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

II. Consent Agenda

A. New item

R. Cohn made a motion to Approve the consent agenda.

C. Mugge seconded the motion.

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

III. Academic Excellence

A. Rich present his latest data analysis.

Math – 28% (@RTHS) – 40% of incoming class take – target 3pts increase by eoy – test over summer prior to first year and if they do not test well RTHS will not admit them -

Work with them throughout school year – tutoring, changed teacher. There is an overlap w/ students who struggle in other classes - Need more emphasis on Math in both Math 1 & II

Biology – 77, English II – 83.9

NCFE (NC Final Exams) - All results were higher than predicted except Math II

ACT Results - 11th Grade was uniformly high (70% or higher)

PSAT - Limited but still over 60% but anyone can take it

SAT - Excellent results and over predictability on EVAAS

IV. CEO Support And Eval

A. Update from Eric

400+ applicants (25% more apps from last year)

105 spots available

Provisional condition - drew 8 acceptances - didn't complete math recommendation or teacher said they were not ready

Accepts, declines, Demographics not available yet

Science Olympiad (17 events) - 2016 is first year - Student leaders, Parent & Teacher advisors

- Concerns around attendance, advising in some cases was minimal
- Some 1st place finishes, 4th place in Varsity for events, some 2nd place finishes - dealt very well with ambiguity and ended with a 5th place overall
- Math is not strong, growth was seen due to underperformance initially but Mastery approach is used (PLP) vs. pass/fail and results have improved
- English 99th percentile growth

- Leaves due to requests that were not aligned with RTHS policies - not curriculum related
- AR Board - Spend time with Eric in a 1:1 capacity to discuss goals
- CEO Evaluation will be sent out in April along with parent update

V. Development

A. Update on event - Carmen

Grand Opening Gala - 79 registered - 53 invitees + guests, 14 declined, 96 no response
Agenda: Speeches to begin @ 6pm - Caroline, Eric, Bill Cobey - Chair, NC State Board of Ed, Debra Saunders-White (Chancellor NCCU)
Tours of school + VIP's, community projects
Request for financial assistance

VI. Strategic Initiatives developing in RTP

A. New item

Pushed to next month's board meeting (April)

VII. Finance

A. Report on cash balances & DSCR

B. Approve audit contract for 15-15

K. Ondrick made a motion to move into contract with Thomas Judy & Tucker, PA.

R. Cohn seconded the motion.

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

VIII. Governance

A. New Board Members - Send names to Caroline before mtg

Compile a list of potential board members and send to Caroline

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Voted on new German teacher by the board - Thomas made the motion and Caroline 2nd the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. McMullan