

# Research Triangle High School

# Minutes

# Monthly RTHS Board Meeting

Date and Time Wednesday February 15, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location In Person at RTHS - 3106 East, NC-54, Durham, NC 27709

# **Directors Present**

A. Tobien (remote), C. Coia, D. Requena (remote), E. Cunningham (remote), G. Rodgers, J. Corn (remote), M. Babb (remote), S. Carty Vetere (remote), S. Hunter (remote), S. Rivers-Kobler (remote)

# **Directors Absent**

D. Milne James, M. Johnson

# **Guests Present**

Amy Roads (remote), B. Mitchell (remote), C. Elliott, Jennifer Stancil (remote)

# I. Opening Items

# A. Record Attendance

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Coia called a meeting of the board of directors of Research Triangle High School to order on Wednesday Feb 15, 2023 at 5:38 PM.

# II. Approve Board Minutes

#### A. Board Meeting Minutes - 9/21/2022

M. Babb made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly RTHS Board Meeting on 01-18-23.

G. Rodgers seconded the motion.

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

#### **III. Public Comments**

#### A. Open to all stakeholders (parents, staff, other)

#### B. Jennifer Stancil - Appreciated the Principals note Brought up an issue

Concerns about the parent's meeting. Diversity issues and Equity Concerns Proposed a change in the Board By-laws to increase the number of parents and students on the board.

#### C. Aimee Rhodes -

Appreciates the parents board and the work that it is doing Concern about Dr. Mann-Bailey's replacement (or lack of replacement) Requested better communications from Principal Appreciates the increased communications that are coming out now. Looking forward to this forum continuing move forward

#### **D.** Christine Valentie

Appreciates the Parent Forum and wanted to Reiterate the concerns of Aimee Rhodes

# **IV. Executive Director's Report**

#### A. Operations Update

Last open house with 47 parents/students group - was the largest group so far and was very successful

#### **B.** Development Update

- Discussion of the history of the Development Committee in the past with Carmen Mugge.
- Looking at RTP Corporate resources that we may be able to benefit from.
- Mr. Brandon Mitchel using some of his network connections to support the School's development.
- Need to increase communications on what the financial development is for.

• Working with our articulation schools to better get a connection for ensuring a diverse population

#### C. Academic Excellence Update

Nine national finalists this year.

#### D. 23-24 School Calendar

Considerable work on the new calendar and the inputs from the Parents and staff Families and students will be surveyed in the upcoming week. A reduced the number of days in the overall school schedule Introduction of a fall break, later start date and earlier last date. Will go to board from approval next board meeting.

#### E. Finance Update

Surplus needs to be used for the betterment of the school

- · Equity Audit is being investigated
- Arhtiecture follow up
- Development Consultant
- Website revamp
- Additional surplus funds are still available

A full SOW and proposal process will be pursued to ensure that a solid project is contracted.

#### V. Governance

#### A. Housekeeping

Reviewing the Board makeup and future composition Call out for any changes to the current positions and board membership Looking to continued improvement of the diversity of the board.

#### **VI. Executive Session - Personnel Matters**

#### A. Updates

S. Hunter made a motion to go into Executive Session for personnel matters.

G. Rodgers seconded the motion.

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

S. Rivers-Kobler made a motion to Come out of Excecutive Session.

S. Hunter seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- S. Carty Vetere Aye
- D. Requena Aye
- S. Rivers-Kobler Aye
- A. Tobien Aye
- G. Rodgers Aye
- J. Corn Aye
- E. Cunningham Aye
- M. Johnson Absent
- M. Babb Aye
- C. Coia Aye
- S. Hunter Aye
- D. Milne James Absent

#### **VII. Closing Items**

#### A. Adjourn Meeting

S. Carty Vetere made a motion to Adjorn the meeting.

G. Rodgers seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, G. Rodgers