



# Research Triangle High School

## **Minutes**

## Monthly RTHS Board Meeting

## **Date and Time**

Wednesday March 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), S. Hunter (remote), S. Rivers-Kobler (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

D. Milne James, M. Babb, S. Carty Vetere

#### **Guests Present**

Amy Rhodes, Angelina Soulas (remote), B. Mitchell, C. Elliott, Cristina Valente, Dara (remote), Elizabeth Ruben, John Paul Schick, Maddie Carr (remote), Mark Stevenson, S Kaufman (remote), Susan Marie (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 Mar 15, 2023 at 5:34 PM.

#### **II. Approve Board Minutes**

#### A. Board Meeting Minutes

- S. Rivers-Kobler made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly RTHS Board Meeting on 02-15-23.
- G. Rodgers seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

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

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

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

John Paul Schick - parent: thanked the board members for the role. Shared concerns: about vision of the school, staff changes, and also request improvement on communication.

C. Coia - clarified there is no vision change, and increased implementation of more policies needed for the school. Communication and day to day activities from C. Elliot, and the board as a sounding board.

## **B. Parent Advisory Committee**

Amy Rhodes provided an update on 2 main topics:

- DEI project
- Dean of Students position pause for assessment
- Also learning platforms

## IV. Executive Director's Report

#### A. Operations Update

- C. Elliot provided an update, refer to attached document:
  - Enrollment summary status and dates
  - High, over 80% confirmed re-ennoblement for current 9, 10 11 graders

## **B.** Development Update

- C. Elliot provided an update refer to attached document:
  - streamlining philanthropy
  - · carnival in the spring

### C. Academic Excellence Update

- C. Elliot provided an update refer to attached document:
  - ACT for juniors last week
  - Math 1 details

#### D. 23/24 School Calendar

- G. Rodgers made a motion to approve 2023-24 School Calendar.
- S. Hunter seconded the motion.

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

## **Roll Call**

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

## E. Finance Update

- B. Mitchell provided an update refer to attached document:
  - · debt to service ratio above what is required
  - school received grants and can carry over
  - · school budget in a good position

• bringing next year school budget to board - to allow contracts for next year prior to June

#### V. Governance

### A. Housekeeping

## **B.** Non Voting Member Additions

- G. Rodgers provided update refer to attached document:
  - Bylaws updates working with attorney
  - Board member recruitment, especially Governance and Development
    - $\circ$  25% of the Board can be parents to allow for long term strategic

A. Tobien made a motion to for the concept of adding non-voting members to the Board, such as student and teacher/staff representatives - to edit the bylaws.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

## **VI. Other Business Matters**

## A. If Applicable

- G. Rodgers made a motion to go into executive session for Personnel Real Estate matters.
- A. Tobien seconded the motion.

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

#### VII. Executive Session - Personnel Real Estate Matters

## A. Updates

- G. Rodgers made a motion to exit executive session.
- A. Tobien seconded the motion.

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

## VIII. Closing Items

## A. Adjourn Meeting

G. Rodgers made a motion to adjourn the board meeting.

A. Tobien seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 6:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Tobien