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Research Triangle High School

Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday April 16, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location

Join Zoom Meeting

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Directors Present

A. Tobien (remote), C. Coia (remote), E. Cunningham (remote), J. Corn (remote), M. Babb (remote), M. Dwomoh (remote), P. Thermitus (remote), S. Hunter (remote), S. Khaliq (remote), S. Rivers-Kobler (remote)

Directors Absent

D. Requena, M. Walden

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

S. Rivers-Kobler

Directors who left before the meeting adjourned

J. Corn

Guests Present

A. Drake (remote), A. Griffin (remote), A. Soulashinh (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Cunningham called a meeting of the board of directors of Research Triangle High School to order on Wednesday Apr 16, 2025 at 5:32 PM.

II. Approve Board Minutes

A. Board Meeting Minutes

S. Hunter made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Meeting on 03-19-25.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Hunter	Aye
C. Coia	Aye
P. Thermitus	Abstain
S. Rivers-Kobler	Absent
M. Babb	Abstain
A. Tobien	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
D. Requena	Absent
M. Walden	Absent
M. Dwomoh	Aye
S. Khaliq	Aye
J. Corn	Aye

III. Public Comments

A. Open to all community members (students, family members, faculty and staff, community members, and others)

None

S. Rivers-Kobler arrived.

IV. Chief School Officer Report

A. Executive Overview

A,Griffin presented school highlights, details attached to the agenda, and include but not limited to:

- spring break
- student trips
- basketball students and faculty
- vice-principal celebration
- Upcoming event: School musical
- college and career updates

V. Finance Committee Report

A. RTHS Monthly Financials and Other Business

M. Babb and A. Drake provided an update on the finance committee, details attached to the agenda, and include but not limited to:

- current budget, debt of service ratio good at 1.59 above requirement
- unallocated amount of surplus with spending deadline by end of Jun2025
- proposed 2025-26 budget
 - Revenue: using 0% increase, ADM 572, certain funding not included in budget conservatively in case they are not granted.
 - Expenses: biggest item is salary, with an average 3% increase salary based on Wake County public schools; service contracts
 - praise to the assistance provided by accountant Nicole

C. Coia made a motion to approved the proposed 2025-26 school budget.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

M. Dwomoh	Aye
M. Walden	Absent
E. Cunningham	Aye
D. Requena	Absent
M. Babb	Aye
P. Thermitus	Aye
S. Hunter	Aye
S. Khaliq	Aye
S. Rivers-Kobler	Aye
J. Corn	Aye
C. Coia	Aye

Roll Call

A. Tobien Aye

VI. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

A. Tobien made a motion to go into executive session due to personnel matters.

M. Babb seconded the motion.

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

VII. Academic Excellence Committee Report

A. Academic Excellence Committee Business

J. Corn and A. Griffin presented on the academic excellence committee, details attached to the agenda, and include but not limited to:

- cohort graduation rates in the tool
- SET _ school engagement team update on 2 domains
 - turanournd leadership
 - talent development
- data driven decision

J. Corn left.

VIII. Governance Committee Report

A. Governance Committee Business

C. Coia presented an update on governance committee:

- board membership, potential new board member interview upcoming
- finance committee recommendations
- title IX policy posed for board approval
- evaluations survey requested to be completed by 2May25

M. Dwomoh made a motion to approve Title IX policy.

S. Hunter seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Cunningham Aye

M. Walden Absent

S. Rivers-Kobler Aye

C. Coia Aye

M. Dwomoh Aye

Roll Call

D. Requena	Absent
S. Khaliq	Aye
A. Tobien	Aye
J. Corn	Absent
M. Babb	Aye
S. Hunter	Aye
P. Thermitus	Aye

IX. Development Committee Report

A. Development Committee Business

A. Griffin provide an update on the development committee, details attached to the agenda, and include but not limited to:

- overview of the 2024-25 development activities
- planning focus for 2025-26

X. Other Business Matters

A. As needed

M. Dwomoh made a motion to approve the contracts for the following personnel for the 2025-26 school.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

Classroom Faculty

Anderle, Sarah
Apple, Ellen
Baese, Katherine
Baker, Katherine
Balazs, Elizabeth
Boucher, Samantha
Bush, Christopher
Butera, Steve
Cherukuri, Deepthi
Cloud, Anna
Corey, Samantha
Crockett, McKenna
DeVito, Anthony
Douglas, Antonyo
Edwards, Josh
Fields-Carey, Leatha
Fisk, Kaitlyn
Genesky, Eric
Godwin, Tiz

Goldstein, Alan
Hess, Sue
Johnston, Christopher
Journigan, Jade
Kaufman, Stacey
Keene, Alder
Latour, Danielle
Lee, Susie
Myers-Perry, Neal
Nix, Shana
Oatsvall, Neil
Price, Walter
Pullen, Barksdale
Sadhwani, Jaysree
Slusser, Thomas
Soulasinh, Angelina
Stokes, Jessica
Vander Zwaag, Charles
Vincent, Kenneth
Williams, Denise
Wise, Emily
Witherspoon, Angela

EC

Majors-Nelson, Margaret
DuPree, Mechia
Moody, Ellena

Counselors

Overman, Sarah
Cook, Kristen
Mills-Silver, Tanisha

IT

Gloria, Cornelius
Liotta, Jay

Support

Rainey, Christian
Harris, Sandra
Lewis, Deirdre

Leadership

Griffin, Akiba
Thompson, Dezra
Drake, Alex

Rodriguez, Priscilla

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

Roll Call

S. Rivers-Kobler	Aye
P. Thermitus	Aye
D. Requena	Absent
M. Dwomoh	Aye
S. Hunter	Aye
A. Tobien	Aye
M. Babb	Aye
M. Walden	Absent
C. Coia	Aye
J. Corn	Aye
E. Cunningham	Aye
S. Khaliq	Aye

Reminder: A. Drake reaching out to board members for conflict of interest and residency, due by 30 Jun25

Ask for engagement - School expansion committee being created

S. Hunter made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A. Tobien seconded the motion.

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

XI. 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 7:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Tobien