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Research Triangle High School

## Minutes

### RTHS Board of Directors Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday February 18, 2026 at 5:30 PM

#### Location

<https://rthighschool.zoom.us/j/93566460638>

Meeting ID: 935 6646 0638

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#### Directors Present

A. Tobien (remote), C. Coia (remote), D. Requena (remote), J. Berla (remote), J. Corn (remote), M. Dwomoh (remote), P. Thermitus (remote), S. Hunter (remote), S. Khaliq (remote)

#### Directors Absent

A. Saviello, E. Cunningham

#### Guests Present

A. Drake (remote), A. Griffin (remote), Ana Jimenez (remote), Andrew King (remote), Ashwani (remote), Brandy Lemen (remote), D. Thompson (remote), Janet and George Buehler (remote), Mendit R. (remote), Michael Lemen (remote), Nandu, Shweta Kautia (remote), Thomas Jones (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Hunter called a meeting of the board of directors of Research Triangle High School to order on Wednesday Feb 18, 2026 at 5:38 PM.

## II. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

### A. January Board of Directors meeting

P. Thermitus made a motion to approve the minutes from RTHS Board of Directors Meeting on 01-21-26.

J. Berla seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

S. Khaliq	Aye
D. Requena	Aye
S. Hunter	Aye
A. Tobien	Aye
E. Cunningham	Absent
J. Corn	Aye
J. Berla	Aye
M. Dwomoh	Aye
C. Coia	Aye
P. Thermitus	Aye
A. Saviello	Absent

### B. February Mini Retreat

J. Berla made a motion to approve the minutes from Mini Retreat on 02-13-26.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

C. Coia	Aye
J. Berla	Aye
J. Corn	Aye
P. Thermitus	Aye
A. Saviello	Absent
A. Tobien	Aye
S. Hunter	Aye
D. Requena	Aye
M. Dwomoh	Aye
E. Cunningham	Absent
S. Khaliq	Aye

## III. Public Comments

### A.

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

Brandi Leman \_ RTHS & Terrorbytes club parent => read statement related to concerns about RTHS school funding and support for the robotics club

#### **IV. Chief School Officer Report**

##### **A. Executive Overview**

A. Griffin provided the CSO report, details on attached to agenda and also provided updates on athletic winter sports.

#### **V. Finance Committee Report**

##### **A. RTHS Monthly Financials and Other Business**

C. Coia and A. Drake provided an update on the school financials

- DSCR: 1.55, which is above requirement
- ADM = 571 for this year
- Draft Budget for next year expected next month
- Staffing positions updates

#### **VI. Governance Committee Report**

##### **A. Governance Committee Business**

M. Dwomoh provided an update on the governance committee:

- attendance update to the Board procedure and manual
- board membership

M. Dwomoh made a motion to update attendance section to the Board of Procedures and Manual.

P. Thermitus seconded the motion.

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

##### **Roll Call**

D. Requena	Aye
P. Thermitus	Aye
M. Dwomoh	Aye
A. Saviello	Absent
C. Coia	Aye
E. Cunningham	Absent
A. Tobien	Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Corn           Aye  
J. Berla           Aye  
S. Khaliq          Aye  
S. Hunter          Aye

**VII. Academic Excellence Committee Report**

**A. Academic Excellence Business**

J. Corn provided an update on academic excellence:

- A. Drake covered snow make-up days, state allows 5 DLD days which were used this calendar year and 1 more
  - March 26 - workday to be changed to regular school day (to make up snow day)
  - Apr 26 - potential
- A. Griffin presented in deep dive on data related to course failures at RTHS

M. Dwomoh made a motion to update the 2025-26 school calendar due to snow days.  
S. Hunter seconded the motion.

- 20 March 26 - converted from teacher work day to school day
- 6 Apr 26 - potential make up day

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

**Roll Call**

C. Coia            Aye  
P. Thermitus      Aye  
E. Cunningham   Absent  
J. Corn            Aye  
J. Berla            Aye  
S. Hunter          Aye  
S. Khaliq          Aye  
M. Dwomoh        Aye  
A. Tobien          Aye  
D. Requena        Aye  
A. Saviello        Absent

**VIII. Mini Retreat Report**

**A. Mini Retreat**

S. Hunter provided a summary of the mini-retreat related to expansion of RTHS and the RTP Hub.

Decisions:

- School size to remain the same
- School to remain in RTP area

Next Steps: Consolidate the list of requirements for the school

## **IX. Other Business Matters**

### **A. As needed**

- Next Board Meeting March 18th

## **X. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

C. Coia made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

S. Hunter 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 6:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Tobien