

APPROVED



Research Triangle High School

Minutes

RTHS Board of Directors Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday March 18, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Location

Research Triangle High School
3106 East NC Highway 54
Durham, North Carolina 27709

or

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

Meeting ID: 935 6646 0638

Directors Present

A. Tobien (remote), C. Coia (remote), D. Requena (remote), E. Cunningham (remote), J. Berla (remote), J. Corn (remote), S. Hunter (remote)

Directors Absent

A. Saviello, M. Dwomoh, P. Thermitus, S. Khaliq

Guests Present

A. Drake (remote), A. Griffin (remote), D. Thompson (remote), Laura Chapman (remote), Shweta Kautia (remote)

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 Mar 18, 2026 at 5:33 PM.

II. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

A. February Board of Directors meeting

C. Coia made a motion to approve the minutes from RTHS Board of Directors Meeting on 02-18-26.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

III. Public Comments

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

None.

S. Hunter thanked the public comments received regarding Robotics club. Currently, the first priority is to get through the competition season prior to any changes.

IV. Chief School Officer Report

A. Executive Overview

A. Griffin presented an executive overview details on the slides:

- monthly school activities
- 2 students received prestigious scholarship

- SET _ school engagement team updates

V. Finance Committee Report

A. RTHS Monthly Financials and Other Business

C. Coia and A. Drake presented financial report, details attached to agenda:

- next board meeting 1/2 hr earlier for finance information
- debt to service ratio = 1.64 at above required
- surplus allocation proposals details on the slide
- budget planning for 2026-27
- bond funds moved to money market at 3.5% interest
 - currently makes a few dollars a month
 - CDs are not an option for the bond funds

S. Hunter made a motion to approve moving bond funds to a money market account.

J. Berla seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

A. Tobien made a motion to approve unallocated fund proposals as detailed below.

J. Corn seconded the motion.

- Total \$110,340
- Facility enhancements:
 - storage sheds
 - improved school zone with LED flashing signage
- Support Staff and Students:
 - faculty device
 - laptop checkout stations
 - event hosting infrastructure

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

Roll Call

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

VI. Governance Committee Report

A. Governance Committee Business

None

VII. Academic Excellence Committee Report

A. Academic Excellence Business

J. Corn and A. Griffin presented academic excellence update and details on the slides to the agenda:

- Data Set: graduation progress and credit accrual
 - readiness across grades at RTHS

VIII. Development Committee

A. Development Update

None

IX. Other Business Matters

A. As needed

Expansion vs updating current location:

- school report shared with some Board members
- **Action _ A. Griffin:** to send to all board members
- **Action _ All Board Members:** to initial feedback from board members to be sent via email to A.Griffin and cc S.Hunter
- Separate focus meeting to discuss

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

A. Tobien made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

J. Berla 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 6:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Tobien