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## Rainier Valley Leadership Academy

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday July 28, 2020 at 4:00 PM

**Location**

Hello,

Please save this time for our Rainier Valley Leadership Academy Board Meeting.

In-person directions:

In-person location: Rainier Valley Leadership Academy – 6020 Rainier Avenue S, Seattle WA 98118

Instructions: Please park in the parking lot behind the school.

Dial-in info: manual

(669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 989-793-884

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**Directors Present**

J. Hailey (remote), J. Thiel (remote), J. Warth (remote), M. MASON (remote), N. Hester (remote), V. Hsu (remote), W. Wang (remote)

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

B. Coleman (remote), C. Catchings (remote), Carole Peoples-Procter, Erica Carmichael, L. Reisberg (remote), Marlen Gomez, Rebecca Madonna, Reco Bembry, Tynishia Williams

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance and Guests**

Note that the following board members dialed in from the following addresses:

Joe Hailey - 9230 2nd Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98106

William Wang - 2810 Newlands Ave. Belmont, CA 94002

Jeff Thiel - 5215 146th Ave SE Bellevue WA 98006

Julia Warth - 1109 17th Ave Seattle, WA 98122

Vivian Hsu - 6612 SE 24th St Mercer Island, WA 98040

Maryam Mason - 660 S Frontenac St, Seattle, WA 98118

Natalie Hester - 11112 Cornell Ave South Seattle, WA 98178

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Hailey called a meeting of the board of directors of Rainier Valley Leadership Academy to order on Tuesday Jul 28, 2020 at 4:02 PM.

## II. Consent Agenda

### A. Approve the Audit contractors

J. Thiel made a motion to Approve Clifton Larson Allen LLP as auditors for FY20-21.

J. Warth seconded the motion.

Chastity Catchings (RVLA COO) discussed the two auditors under consideration, who were Eide Bailly and Clifton Larson Allen ("CLA"). Marlen Gomez from CLA discussed the support and benefits CLA could provide to Chastity and RVLA.

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

#### Roll Call

V. Hsu Aye  
J. Hailey Aye  
J. Thiel Aye  
W. Wang Aye  
M. MASON Absent  
N. Hester Aye  
J. Warth Aye

### B. Resolution to approve the Covid Reopening Plan/Template

J. Warth made a motion to Approve the Covid Reopening Plan/Template with certain conditions.

N. Hester seconded the motion.

Approval with caveat to ensure the school reopening plan submitted to the Commission includes support for special student populations and the students and families that have been most marginalized. RVLA will continue with additional efforts to document more detailed explanation of supports, such as social emotional supports, family engagement strategies, and ensuring special student populations receive appropriate services that are outlined in our school handbook

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

#### Roll Call

N. Hester Aye  
J. Hailey Aye  
W. Wang Aye  
V. Hsu Aye  
J. Warth Aye  
J. Thiel Aye  
M. MASON Absent

### C. Approve June 23, 2020 Minutes

J. Thiel made a motion to approve the minutes from GDPSW/RVLA Regular Board Meeting on 06-23-20.

V. Hsu seconded the motion.

Approved as part of the consent agenda

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

**Roll Call**

J. Thiel Aye  
W. Wang Aye  
V. Hsu Aye  
J. Warth Aye  
N. Hester Aye  
J. Hailey Aye  
M. MASON Absent

**D. Approve July Payroll and Vouchers**

J. Thiel made a motion to Approve Consent Agenda.

V. Hsu seconded the motion.

Approved as part of the consent agenda

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

**Roll Call**

J. Warth Aye  
W. Wang Aye  
M. MASON Absent  
J. Hailey Aye  
V. Hsu Aye  
J. Thiel Aye  
N. Hester Aye

**E. Resolution to approve the amended RVLA 20-21 Fiscal budget**

J. Thiel made a motion to Approve Consent Agenda.

V. Hsu seconded the motion.

Approved as part of the consent agenda

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

**Roll Call**

J. Hailey Aye  
W. Wang Aye  
J. Warth Aye  
V. Hsu Aye  
J. Thiel Aye  
N. Hester Aye  
M. MASON Absent

**F. Resolution to Approve Teachers Teaching Outside of their Endorsement Area**

J. Thiel made a motion to Approve Consent Agenda.

V. Hsu seconded the motion.

Approved as part of the consent agenda

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

**Roll Call**

J. Warth Aye

J. Thiel Aye

J. Hailey Aye

V. Hsu Aye

M. MASON Absent

W. Wang Aye

N. Hester Aye

**III. Board Updates**

**A. Board Prospects and Intros**

Prospective board members, Carole Peoples-Procter and Reco Bemby, introduced their backgrounds and discussed their interest in joining the board of RVLA.

**B. Mission Proposal**

The board discussed RVLA's stated mission including the background of its formation (e.g. through listening sessions with the community), the context of the mission and pillars, and how the mission can support development efforts.

**C. Board Resignations**

Chair Hailey informed the Board that Jessica Peet submitted her resignation from the board, effective July 17, 2020. Mrs. Coleman and the board publicly thanked Mrs. Peet for her services on the Board and her continued support of RVLA going forward

**IV. Finance and Enrollment**

**A. Financial Review and Enrollment Updates**

Chastity Catchings led an update on school finances and enrollment.

**V. RVLA Updates**

**A. State of the School**

Baionne Coleman led a discussion on school updates including topics on diversity, goals, academics, hiring, and grants.

**VI. Executive Session**

**A.**

### **Executive Session Announced**

Chair Joe Hailey called an Executive Session to begin proceeding the end of the board meeting.

## **VII. 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 5:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Hailey