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# Rainier Valley Leadership Academy

## Minutes

### Board of Directors Meeting

Monthly

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday June 15, 2021 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**

E. Forde (remote), J. Hailey (remote), J. Thiel (remote), M. Luna (remote), M. MASON (remote), M. Sahoo (remote), N. Hester (remote), R. Bembry (remote), T. Marsh (remote), V. Hsu (remote), W. Wang (remote)

### **Directors Absent**

C. Peoples-Procter

### **Guests Present**

B. Coleman (remote), C. Catchings (remote), C. Escamilla-Soto (remote), Erica Carmichael (remote), L. Reisberg (remote), Mitch Price (remote), Patricia Escamila (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

### **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 Jun 15, 2021 at 4:03 PM.

## **II. Consent Agenda**

### **A. Resolution to Approve May 25th, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes**

N. Hester made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Meeting on 05-25-21.

M. Luna seconded the motion.

Part of consent agenda

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

**Roll Call**

V. Hsu	Aye
R. Bembry	Aye
M. Luna	Absent
W. Wang	Aye
J. Hailey	Aye
N. Hester	Aye
T. Marsh	Aye
M. Sahoo	Aye
E. Forde	Absent
C. Peoples-Procter	Absent
J. Thiel	Aye
M. MASON	Aye

**B. Resolution to approve May Payroll and Vouchers**

N. Hester made a motion to Approve consent agenda.

J. Thiel seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

J. Hailey	Aye
W. Wang	Aye
N. Hester	Aye
C. Peoples-Procter	Absent
T. Marsh	Aye
M. Luna	Absent
M. MASON	Aye
V. Hsu	Aye
M. Sahoo	Aye
J. Thiel	Aye
R. Bembry	Aye
E. Forde	Absent

**C. Resolution to Approve Annual Tax Return 2020/21**

N. Hester made a motion to Approve consent agenda.

J. Thiel seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

T. Marsh	Aye
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**Roll Call**

M. Luna	Absent
C. Peoples-Procter	Absent
W. Wang	Aye
J. Thiel	Aye
N. Hester	Aye
R. Bembry	Aye
E. Forde	Absent
J. Hailey	Aye
M. MASON	Aye
V. Hsu	Aye
M. Sahoo	Aye

**D. Resolution Social Security Coverage**

N. Hester made a motion to Approve consent agenda.

J. Thiel seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Bembry	Aye
T. Marsh	Aye
M. Luna	Absent
W. Wang	Aye
N. Hester	Aye
J. Thiel	Aye
V. Hsu	Aye
C. Peoples-Procter	Absent
J. Hailey	Aye
M. MASON	Aye
E. Forde	Absent
M. Sahoo	Aye

**III. Public Testimony**

**A. Call for public testimony.**

No members of the public had comments

**B. Mission Moment**

RVLA achieved its Academic Commission Goal: 10% of African American males (MS) who tested in the low or low average percentile band on the Fall 20-21 NWEA MAP Reading test progress to a higher percentile band on a 20-21 NWEA MAP Reading test.

8th grade graduation will be tomorrow (June 16, 2021)

**IV. Washington Charter Association**

## A. Policy-Based Training

Natalie Hester and Mitch Price (VP of policy at WA Charters) discussed the priorities of the Washington State Legislature pertaining to charter schools. Three priorities discussed in detail were:

1. Funding equity (i.e. funding gap between charters and publics from property tax levies not benefiting charters)
2. Charter school authorization windows (only 24 out of 40 have been authorized to date in Washington State)
3. Facilities - charter schools lack dedicated facility funding

## V. Budget Preview

### A. Budget Preview and preliminary recommendation

Chastity discussed the budgeting process and timeline, including the board's upcoming duty to approve the following year's budget at next month's meeting.

Will Wang discussed the finance committee's role and thought process in recommending a budget to the board at next month's meeting

## VI. New Board Member

### A. Resolution to Approve New Board Member

Myrna (Matty) Luna gave an introduction of herself and her motivations for joining the board.

E. Forde made a motion to Approve Myrna Luna to the RVLA Board of Directors.

T. Marsh seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

C. Peoples-Procter	Absent
M. Luna	Absent
J. Thiel	Aye
E. Forde	Aye
R. Bembry	Aye
J. Hailey	Aye
W. Wang	Aye
N. Hester	Aye
T. Marsh	Aye
M. Sahoo	Aye
V. Hsu	Aye
M. MASON	Aye

## **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 5:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
W. Wang

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