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# Rainier Valley Leadership Academy

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday March 31, 2026 at 4:30 PM

#### Location

Virtual

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#### Directors Present

D. Sullivan (remote), E. Forde (remote), J. Rhodes Jr (remote), T. Hayman (remote)

#### Directors Absent

M. Brown, S. Martinez, T. Moultrie

#### Guests Present

Danielle Mann (remote), Italiana Hughes (remote), Keith Clark (remote), L. Reisberg (remote), Lenny Emperado (remote), R. Garcia Morales (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Rhodes Jr called a meeting of the board of directors of Rainier Valley Leadership Academy to order on Tuesday Mar 31, 2026 at 4:46 PM.

#### C. Public Comment

**D. Possible Action-Unresponsive Board Member**

We had discussion. We will try to contact the board member before we take any action.

**II. Consent Agenda**

**A. February 2026 Board Meeting Minutes**

E. Forde made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 02-24-26.

D. Sullivan seconded the motion.

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

**B. February 2026 Payroll & Claim Vouchers**

E. Forde made a motion to approve Payroll & Claim vouchers.

D. Sullivan seconded the motion.

As of March 31, 2026, the Board, by a unanimous vote, approves payments, totaling \$2,552.66, and/or voids (cancellations), totaling \$0.00. The payments and/or voids are further identified in this document.

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Check Numbers 102830 through 102830, totaling \$2,500.00

AP ACH Numbers 9000003936 through 9000003937, totaling \$52.66

As of March 31, 2026, the Board, by a unanimous vote, approves payments, totaling \$737.73, and/or voids (cancellations), totaling \$0.00. The payments and/or voids are further identified in this document.

Total by Payment Type: WIRE-PUBLIC

Wire Transfer Payments 201900300 through 201900300, totaling \$737.73

As of March 31, 2026, the Board, by a unanimous vote, approves payments, totaling \$85,566.88, and/or voids (cancellations), totaling \$0.00. The payments and/or voids are further identified in this document.

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Check Numbers 102832 through 102843, totaling \$12,217.89

AP ACH Numbers 9000003938 through 9000003957, totaling \$73,348.99

As of March 31, 2026, the Board, by a unanimous vote, approves payments, totaling \$8,925.00, and/or voids (cancellations), totaling \$0.00. The payments and/or voids are further identified in this document.

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

AP ACH Numbers 9000003958 through 9000003959, totaling \$8,925.00

As of March 31, 2026, the Board, by a unanimous vote, approves payments, totaling \$135,885.19, and/or voids

(cancellations), totaling \$0.00. The payments and/or voids are further identified in this document.

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Direct Deposit Numbers 9000003960 through 9000003989, totaling \$135,885.19

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

**Roll Call**

M. Brown Absent

J. Rhodes Jr Aye

S. Martinez Absent

T. Hayman Aye

E. Forde Aye

T. Moultrie Absent

D. Sullivan Aye

**C. 2026/27 Annual School Calendars**

E. Forde made a motion to approve school calendars.

D. Sullivan seconded the motion.

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

**III. Executive Director Report Out**

**A. Three Year Plan Presentation**

The executive Director reported out on the three year plan. He also discussed the new mission and vision of RVLA incorporating the revamped PRIDE principles.

**IV. Finance/Enrollment Update**

**A. Review Financial Forecast**

Re-working the 5 year budget to ensure longevity. Discussed the potential pros and cons of building location. We need to make sure we present a balanced budget as required for Commission reauthorization.

**B. Enrollment Update & 26/27 Projections**

Discussed applications. Kindergarten and sixth grade are the main focus for scholar pipeline. Also discussed re-enrollment numbers. The numbers are already trending higher than they have been at this time of year. We discussed several projects including promo video and community events to help with promoting RVLA and helping with recruitment.

**V. Board Groups**

**A. Review of Board Groups**

Board members need to review the Advisory Group assignments and give any feedback.

## **VI. Announcements**

### **A. T-Shirt Sponsorship**

### **B. Renewal Reminders**

There will be a site visit on April 28th. Board members are encouraged to attend.

### **C. F1 Public Disclosure Due**

Board members need to have these submitted by April 15th.

## **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 5:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Rhodes Jr

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Title IX Coordinator

Human Resources

Address: 6020 Rainier Ave S, Seattle 98118

Telephone Number: 206-659-0956

Email: [hr@myrvla.org](mailto:hr@myrvla.org)

Section 504/ADA Coordinator

Principal

Address: 6020 Rainier Ave S, Seattle WA 98118

Telephone Number: 206-659-0956

Email: [ray.garciamorales@myrvla.org](mailto:ray.garciamorales@myrvla.org)

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator

Chief of Staff

Address: 6020 Rainier Ave S, Seattle WA 98118

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