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Rainier Valley Leadership Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday April 28, 2026 at 4:30 PM

Location

RVLA is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rainier Valley Leadership Academy's Board Meeting

Time: Apr 28, 2026 04:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

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Directors Present

D. Sullivan (remote), E. Forde (remote), S. Martinez (remote), T. Hayman (remote), T. Moultrie (remote)

Directors Absent

J. Rhodes Jr, M. Brown

Guests Present

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

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Forde called a meeting of the board of directors of Rainier Valley Leadership Academy to order on Tuesday Apr 28, 2026 at 4:37 PM.

C. Public Comment

RVLA teacher Nati Hardin, ELA teacher. Wanted to bring up to the board that the scholars are growing plant and doing some gardening. Would like to ask for some donations around gardening soil would be great.

Shout out to Ms. Mann and Ms. Jackson on Friday for the amazing Jr Beta event.

D. Possible Action-Unresponsive Board Member

Board Member is ok and in good health. We will be sending out a certified letter to him via snail mail. If we still do not get any response we will move forward with next steps.

II. Consent Agenda

A. March 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

D. Sullivan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 03-31-26.
S. Martinez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

T. Hayman	Aye
T. Moultrie	Aye
S. Martinez	Aye
E. Forde	Aye

Roll Call

J. Rhodes Jr Absent
D. Sullivan Aye
M. Brown Absent

B. April 2026 Payroll & Claim Vouchers

D. Sullivan made a motion to Approve.

S. Martinez seconded the motion.

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Check Numbers 102844 through 102854, totaling \$29,745.41

AP ACH Numbers 9000003990 through 9000004001, totaling \$67,865.26

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Check Numbers 102856 through 102868, totaling \$49,215.45

AP ACH Numbers 9000004002 through 9000004010, totaling \$22,110.75

Total by Payment Type: WIRE-PUBLIC

Wire Transfer Payments 201900304 through 201900306, totaling \$1,371.44

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Voids/Cancellations, totaling (\$13,136.61)

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Check Numbers 102869 through 102880, totaling \$46,343.59

AP ACH Numbers 9000004042 through 9000004061, totaling \$141,913.21

Total by Payment Type: ACH/Warrants - Public

Direct Deposit Numbers 9000004011 through 9000004041, totaling \$136,636.29

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

Roll Call

T. Moultrie Aye
J. Rhodes Jr Absent
D. Sullivan Aye
S. Martinez Aye
M. Brown Absent
E. Forde Aye
T. Hayman Aye

C. Permanent Executive Director - Ray Garcia Morales

D. Sullivan made a motion to Approve.

S. Martinez seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Sullivan Aye
E. Forde Aye
T. Hayman Aye
M. Brown Absent
J. Rhodes Jr Absent
T. Moultrie Aye
S. Martinez Aye

D. Independent Audit 24/25

D. Sullivan made a motion to Approve.
S. Martinez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Brown Absent
T. Moultrie Aye
D. Sullivan Aye
E. Forde Aye
T. Hayman Aye
S. Martinez Aye
J. Rhodes Jr Absent

III. Executive Director Report Out

A. Enrollment/Finance and Renewal Update

Enrollment:

Ray Garia Morales, Executive Director, presented update on enrollment. Currently, we have a 75% return rate so far with a 29 scholar waitlist. June & July historically are the biggest months for enrollment, so we are looking for big shifts during those months. Increasing Elementary by an additional grade next year. We will be adding 2nd grade.

Renewal:

Mr. Morales also updated on

We just had our Commission Site Visit. They interviewed scholars, staff, leadership. Will schedule times to interview families and Board Members. There was some helpful feedback on areas we need to strengthen. We are excited to do this work.

Next steps strengthening our first round of the application. We will take the feedback they provided and incorporate it into our application.

IV. Board Groups

A.

Review of Board Groups

Board groups have been finalized.

Emails going out to connect members.

Assignment:

1. Choose monthly meeting date & time. Send to Leah and Elijah to calendar.
2. Choose a Group Chair

V. Announcements

A. Teacher Appreciation Week of May 4th

Reminder about teacher appreciation week coming up. Board Members who would like to do something for staff can check in with Board Member, Shyla Martinez, to coordinate.

B. F1 Public Disclosure Due

Reminder to complete F1 for any Board Member who still has not.

C. End of Year Events

Reminder of:

June 3rd Awards of Distinction

June 12th Senior Graduation at Langston Hughes Performing Arts Center

June 17th Kinder Graduation and 8th Grade Promotion

Check Board Google Calendar and emails for calendar invites and more details.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

D. Sullivan made a motion to Adjourn.

E. Forde seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Martinez Aye

J. Rhodes Jr Absent

D. Sullivan Aye

E. Forde Aye

M. Brown Absent

T. Moultrie Aye

T. Hayman Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Reisberg

Documents used during the meeting

- Resolution April 2026 - Minutes for March 31 2026 Mtgdocx.pdf
- AP Check Summary Report with Board Certification 3.6.pdf
- AP Check Summary Report with Board Certification 3.20.pdf
- AP Check Summary Report with Board Certification 3.31 Direct.pdf
- AP Check Summary Report with Board Certification 3.31 GOH Void.pdf
- AP Check Summary Report with Board Certification 3.31.pdf
- Payroll Check Summary with Board Certification 3.31.pdf
- Resolution February Mtg for January 2025 Vouchers & Payments (2).pdf
- Resolution - Confirm Executive Director.docx (1).pdf
- Final Draft for Review RVLA 2025.pdf
- Resolution to Approve 2024 Audit.docx (1).pdf

RVLA does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

Title IX Coordinator

Human Resources

Address: 6020 Rainier Ave S, Seattle 98118

Telephone Number: 206-659-0956

Email: 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

Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator

Chief of Staff

Address: 6020 Rainier Ave S, Seattle WA 98118

Telephone Number: 206-650-0956

Email: leah.reisberg@myrvla.org