APPROVED

REACH — River's Edge Academy Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Monday May 18, 2026 at 4:30 PM

Location
270 W. Evans Creek Rd.
Rogue River, OR 97537

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Meeting ID: 941 841 5905
Passcode: 312304

Directors Present
J. Walter (remote), K. Clark (remote), R. Bush (remote), S. Whitson (remote)

Directors Absent
T. Hoppes

Ex Officio Members Present
C. Enright (remote)

Guests Present
C. McClure (remote), M. Keirsey (remote), W. Bogard (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Bush called a meeting of the board of directors of REACH — River's Edge Academy Charter School to order on Monday May 18, 2026 at 4:37 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Joe Walter moved to approve the previous meeting minutes.
Sharre Whitson seconded the motion.
Vote:

- Joe Walter-Aye
- Sharre Whitson-Aye
- Richard Bush-Aye
- Karla Clark-Aye

Motion carried unanimously.
J. Walter made a motion to approve the minutes from April 13, 2026 Board meeting (Rescheduled from 4/6/26) on 04-13-26.
S. Whitson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Executive Session Notice

A. Call Executive Session to Order

The Board entered Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a) and ORS 192.660(2)(i) to discuss employment matters and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer.

No formal action was taken during Executive Session.

The Board returned to Open Session at 5:12 PM

III. Action From Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

Richard announced that the Board returned to Open Session at 5:12 PM and that no action was taken following Executive Session discussion.

IV. Education Reports

A. Superintendent Report

Cecile Enright reported on:

- Ongoing charter renewal discussions with Rogue River School District
- Proposed revisions to charter language regarding goals and SB 141 requirements
- Current enrollment trends and recent enrollment decline due to early graduations
- Financial status updates
- Proposed 2026–2027 COLA increase
- Governance and policy updates

No action was taken

B. Principal Report

Wendy Bogard reported:

- Strong state testing participation despite logistical challenges
- Growth in GED and re-engagement programs
- Four students completing all GED requirements this year
- Successful spring student engagement activities including:
  - Outdoor Learning Day
  - Careers in Gear
  - Jog-a-thon
  - Kindergarten Information Nights

- Strong enrollment projections for the 2026–2027 school year
- Elementary grades nearing capacity
- Continued curriculum planning and enrichment development for next year

Board members were invited to graduation and the Evans Valley end-of-year celebration.

C. High School Success Report

Wendy Bogard reported:

- All seniors remain on track to graduate
- Valedictorian: (4.67 GPA)
- Salutatorian: (4.46 GPA)
- 10 of 13 graduates participating in commencement
- Early College program growth:
  - 23 students currently participating
  - 249 combined college credits enrolled
  - 38 students already signed up for next year
- Summer credit recovery and summer camp opportunities planned

D. Annual Report to Rogue River School District

The Board reviewed the Annual Report submitted to Rogue River School District, including:

- State assessment data
- Enrollment data
- Audit information
- Insurance information
- Staffing information

Cecile Enright explained the report submission delay was due to the late completion of the annual audit.

V. Facility

A. Facilities Maintenance

Cecile Enright reported:

- Fire marshal inspection work is ongoing
- Heavy equipment removal from attic space is underway
- Future flooring replacement projects will require asbestos abatement
- Exterior improvements and landscaping projects have been completed

- Social media updates showcasing improvements are being posted regularly

VI. Finance

A. Financial Reports

Carole McClure reviewed:

- Statement of Financial Position
- Statement of Activities

Key updates included:

- Approximately $2.3 million in revenue through March (84% of budget)
- Expenditures at approximately 70% of annual budget
- Net operating revenue approximately $422,000
- Ongoing accounting adjustments with CPA Brittany Bright
- Reclassification of certain project expenditures as assets

Board discussion included clarification regarding restricted grant expenditures and asset classification.

VII. Action / Voting Items - Governance

A. Audit Company Selection

The Board reviewed audit proposals from multiple firms.
Cecile Enright recommended selecting Soren based on evaluation criteria, responsiveness, and audit timeline reliability.
Sharre Whitson moved to approve the Soren proposal for auditing services.
Joe Walter seconded the motion.
Vote:

- Joe Walter – Aye
- Karla Clark – Aye
- Richard Bush – Aye
- Sharre Whitson – Aye (confirmed via text due to connectivity issues)

Motion carried unanimously.

Richard Bush departed the meeting and transferred facilitaion responsibilities to Sharre Whitson.

B. Student & Parent Handbooks

Sharre Whitson called for a motion to approve the Student & Parent Handbooks as presented.
Joe Walter moved to approve the Student & Parent Handbooks as presented.
Karla Clark seconded the motion.
Vote:

- Joe Walter – Aye
- Sharre Whitson – Aye
- Karla Clark – Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Early College Handbook

The Board reviewed the Early College Handbook previously presented.
Joe Walter moved to approve the Early College Handbook.
Karla Clark seconded the motion.
Vote:

- Joe Walter – Aye
- Sharre Whitson – Aye
- Karla Clark – Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Board Policy Revision IKF – Graduation Requirements

The Board reviewed proposed revisions to Policy IKF regarding graduation requirements.
Joe Walter moved to approve revisions to Policy IKF Graduation Requirements
Karla seconded the motion.
Vote:

- Joe Walter-Aye
- Sharre Whitson-Aye
- Karla Clark-Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Interim Assessment

Cecile Enright states we used to have I-Ready and went to I-Excel for Interim Assessment Tool.
It is not on approved list.
Wendy Bogard & Cecile Enright recommend Star as Interim Assessment Tool

Karla Clark makes motion to accept Star as Interim Assessment Tool
Joe Walter Seconds Motion.

Discussion:
Joe Walter: Why is I-Excell off list.
Cecile Enright: Not sure, just did not make it
Karla Clark: ODE consolidates to try to make ease of tracking easier.
Vote:

- Joe Walter-Aye
- Karla Clark-Aye
- Sharre Whitson-Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

F. 2026–2027 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

Board Reviewed 2026-2027 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Recommendation.
Joe Motion to approve COLA increase of 3.5%
Karla Clark seconds the motion
Vote:

- Joe Walter-Aye
- Karla Clark-Aye
- Sharre Whitson-Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. 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 5:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Whitson

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