

**RIVER CITY SCIENCE ACADEMY
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

Minutes

7565 Beach Blvd

Jacksonville, FL 32216

Thursday, February 10, 2022

5:30 pm

-- Board members present—

Mr. Shahriyar Mammadov (Mr. Yar), Mrs. Tanja Boswell, Mr. Baybars Bakay, Dr. Sakhavat Mammadov

Staff members present: Dr. Dogan Tozoglu, Executive Director, Cihan Ozturk, Business Manager, Sel Buyuksarac, Parent Representative,

School Legal Counsel: Melissa Gross-Arnold

Financial Advisor: Richard Moreno

Underwriter (Ziegler) reps: Wesley Bradish, David Shin, Nicole Ostanski

1. Meeting called to order by Mr. Yar at 5:30 pm.

2. Public remarks

None

3. Approval of agenda items

Motion to approve by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mrs. Boswell. Approved unanimously.

4. Approval of last board meeting minutes

Motion to approve last board meeting minutes by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mrs. Boswell. Approved unanimously.

5. Approval of Reimbursement Resolution for River City Edu Management, LLC, to be reimbursed out of bond proceeds for costs incurred in connection refinancing of Middle/High Campus and the purchase of Mandarin Campus and construction of new gym on the Mandarin Campus

Dr. T informed the Board about the continuation of the bond projects from last year. Underwriter rep Mr. Bradish and school financial advisor gave a presentation about this transaction and benefits to the schools and answered the questions from the board members. School legal counsel explained the resolution and purpose.

Motion to approve Reimbursement Resolution for River City Edu Management, LLC by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mrs. Boswell. Approved unanimously

6. Approval of RCSA Mandarin GYM Construction project proposal

Dr. T. informed the Board that there were three proposals for the RCSA Mandarin GYM project. The GYM project committee consisted of leaders and the business office reviewed the proposals. The committee recommended that Blueocean continues with this project as they already started to do initial work with the owner last year, got all permits, and had no significant price change in their projected cost compared to the other proposals.

Motion to approve of RCSA GYM Construction proposal to be given Blueocean; and authorize Executive Director, Dr. T. to proceed with this project by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mr. Bakay. Approved unanimously

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7. Approval of out of field teachers

Dr. T. presented out-of-field teachers hired after October count for each RCSA Campuses. The majority of the out-of-field areas were ESOL components. PDs are available to our teachers and staff via district power school system.

Motion to approve out-of-field teachers by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mrs. Boswell.
Approved unanimously

8. Approval of asset disposal items

Mr. Ozturk presented asset disposal items, broken furniture, fixture and technology items due to aging, wear and tear over the years.

Motion to approve asset disposal items by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mrs. Boswell.
Approved unanimously.

9. Approval of RCSA Strategic Plan Draft

Dr. T. informed the Board about the latest draft version of the Strategic Plan that leadership teams and all other stakeholders have been working on since last year. The plan included five strategic priorities with their key goals. The goals will be monitored by Executive and leadership teams.

Motion to approve RCSA Strategic Plan Draft by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mrs. Boswell.
Approved unanimously.

10. Review of Financials and approval of midyear budgets

Mr. Ozturk presented financials as of the end of January for each RCSA Campuses (Middle-High, Elementary, Innovation, Mandarin, Intracoastal). Based on the third calc numbers, he also presented updated midyear budgets. The deficit on the Intracoastal financials is expected due to its initial year; however, schools have significant savings to eliminate any shortfall. Currently, there is no area of concern.

Motion to approve financials and midyear budgets by Mr. Yar and seconded by Mr. Bakay.
Approved unanimously

11. Federal Grant Updates

Title-I, PFEP, Title II, Title IV, CSP, and ESSER grants: We received another ESSER grant (ESSER III) from the state and submitted our application and waiting for approval. RCSA submitted Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) to the district as part of ESSER III requirements. We have finished ESSER I funding, and working on finishing up ESSER II funding. These have about 2 to 3 years cycle. We started getting reimbursements for Title-I, Title II, Title IV programs. CSP grant fund is finished for the Intracoastal campus. We had some of our PFEP expenses and will get reimbursement soon. Title I digital compliance items have been submitted as we go through each month. We just received another ESSER fund announcement related to CTE and Dual Enrollment expansion from the state and are also working on submitting our applications to that.

12. RCSA SIP Update and midyear data

Dr. T. presented SIP updates and midyear data for each RCSA campus. Schools are meeting their midyear goals. The presentation included each SIP goal, midyear data comparison, and schools' strategies to address any deficiencies. Overall each school

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showed growth from the beginning to the midyear. They have already started providing targeted interventions to the students who are in need.

13. Closure of the Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mr. Baybars Bakay,

Board Secretary