RIVER CITY SCIENCE ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Minutes

7565 Beach Blvd

Jacksonville, FL 32216

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

6:30 pm at RCSA Media Center

-- Board members present—

Ahmet Birdal, Marilyn Young, Elvan Aktas, Elizabeth Dorian, Tonja Boswell

Staff member present: Dogan Tozoglu, Executive Director, Cihan Ozturk, Business

Manager

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Approval of agenda items
- 3. Public remarks
- 4. Approval of last board meeting minutes
- 5. Approval of 2015-16 SY Audit Reports and 990
- 6. Approval of Staff List
- 7. Approval of Out of Field Teachers
- 8. Approval of Title I PIP and budgets
- 9. Approval of budgets for 2016-17 fiscal year and financials
- 10. Board meeting dates for 2016-17 school year
- 11. Other Discussion
- 12. Closure of the meeting

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Meeting Minutes

- 1. The Board meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.
- 2. Approval of the agenda items

Motion: Approve the agenda items (Ms. Young)

Second: Mr. Birdal Vote: Approved by all

3. Public Remarks

There were no public remarks

4. Approval of the last board meeting minutes

Motion: Approve last board meeting (June 2016) minutes (Mr. Birdal)

Second: Mr. Aktas

Vote: Approved by all

5. Approval of 2015-16 SY Audit Reports and 990

Board Members reviewed audit reports for each campus with Mr. Ozturk.

No audit findings or recommendations were made for any campus.

Reported fund balances were \$2,307,814 for Middle/High; \$273,383 for Elementary; and \$153.153 for Innovation.

Mandarin campus was asked to be audited by the district since it was awarded with the start-up grant and used some of the planning funds during 2015-16SY. Audit was completed with no findings.

Motion: Approval of Audit Reports and authorize for 990 submission for 2015-16 (Mr.

Birdal)

Second: Mr. Aktas

Vote: Approved by all

6. Approval of Staff List

Board members reviewed all staff list and positions on each campus which totals around 230 positions.

Per Dr. Tozoglu, all campuses are fully staffed at this time.

Motion: Approval of Staff List (Mr. Birdal)

Second: Ms. Boswell Vote: Approved by all

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7. Approval of Out of Field Teachers

Board reviewed those teachers who would be considered out of field based on their certification and subject matter they teach. Majority of the teachers are missing ESOL credit on their certification and the School keeps track their progress towards meeting their requirements . The School is planning to offer onsite ESOL course to address their out of field needs.

Motion: Approval of Out of Field Teacher list Mr. Birdal

Second: Ms. Boswell Vote: Approved by all

8. Approval of Title I/PIP and budgets

Title I budget includes technology items to assist computer based test preparation and in actual state testing, and additional staffing. PIP budget includes building capacity items in PIP plan. RCSA will offer at least 1 parent involvement activity per quarter as part of the Parental Involvement Plan. The actual amount received will be determined by the district.

Motion: Approval of Title 1 PIP and budgets by Mr. Birdal

Second: Ms. Dorrian Vote: Approved by all

9. Approval of budgets for 2016-17 Fiscal Year and Financials

Dr. Tozoglu presented the budgets for each RCSA schools. All were budgeted for surplus revenue for the year: Approximately, Elementary \$80,000 excess revenue, Innovation \$30,000 excess revenue, Mandarin \$88,000 excess revenue and Middle/High \$137,000 excess revenue.

Some campuses are still recruiting students to possibly increase the revenue year to date.

Motion: Approve budgets by Mr. Birdal.

Second: Ms. Dorrian Vote: Approved by all

10. Board Meeting Dates for 2016-17 were discussed as:

December 6, 2016 March 14, 2017 May 30, 2017

11. Other Discussion

The Board discussed the recent negative publicity about RCSA on a local news channel. Action taken by RCSA Administration to address the issue with the School District

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Charter office, State Charter Office, Mayor and City Council were discussed. There were no concerns. At this time, no further action is needed on the issue.

12. Closure of the meeting – Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

I acknowledge that these minutes reflect the business of the Board of Directors meeting of September 16, 2016.

Marilyn Young, Board Secretary