

Board of Trustees, Ridge and Valley Charter School
Regular Meeting Minutes

The Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ridge and Valley Charter School was held on January 18, 2018 at 1234 State Route 94, Blairstown, NJ 07825. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Kerry Barnett, Facilitator. The Trustees operate on a consensus basis in all matters. We choose to dispense with Robert’s Rules of Order and Conventional Parliamentary Procedure. Our intention is to affirm the mission of the school. Ridge and Valley Charter School offers an integrated, experiential course of study in the context of the universe and its interrelationships. Adequate notice of this meeting had been made in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1975 in the New Jersey Herald, the County superintendent’s office and with the County Administrator.

	present	absent
Voting Members		
Steve Andrasek	X	
Kerry Barnett	X	
Jenn Gurdak	X	
Andy Marancik	X	
Dave McNulty	X	
Dave Paulson		X
Jessi Sohl		X
Non-voting members:		
Nanci Dvorsky, Administrative Coordinator	X	
Lisa Masi, Integration Guide	X	
Traci Pannullo, Curriculum Coordinator	X	
Glenn Richardson, SBA		X

Facilitator: Kerry Barnett Guardian: Steve Andrasek Recorder: Nanci Dvorsky
Public Participants: Theresa Radline, Brian Goldrich and Cindy Calvano

Trustee Circle Opening: convened 6:10 pm

Public Participation: Cindy Calvano addressed the Trustees to express how grateful their family is to have loving community to support their children.

Correspondence: None

Leadership Team Updates:

Integration Guide Report: Lisa Masi has been focusing on general Leadership Team meetings and work.

Curriculum Coordinator Report: Traci Pannullo reported that she has been working with Theresa Radline to orient her to the technology and PARCC testing requirements.

Amanda Ianuzzi, a student at Ramapo University, has begun her student teaching at RVCS. She is working with the 1st grade Watersnake class group with Alyssa Garner as her mentor. On January 26th the Professional Development session will focus on the application of earth literacy in the classroom. Traci also mentioned that the 5th and 8th grade science assessment will be done online however the scores will not count this year and 2018-2019 will serve as the baseline year.

Administrative Coordinator Report: Nanci Dvorsky reported: Approval of the December 21, 2017 minutes, with corrections. **Resolution 1.18.18.a** To approve payment of bills in the amount of \$90,631.69 which includes payroll . Approved unanimously. **Resolution 1.18.18c** To approve Theresa Radline as School Safety Specialist. Approved unanimously. **Resolution 1.18.18.d** To approve the request for a waiver of the requirements to maximize SEMI participation based on 40 or fewer Medicaid eligible classified students. Approved unanimously. The recent Open House was well attended and enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year is full except for one grade. A lottery was held for the Kindergarten and 1st Grade waiting lists.

Business Administrator Report: Resolution 1.18.18.b To approve the Board Secretary and Treasurers Reports for December 2017 and to certify that no major account or fund has been over expended and to confirm that sufficient funds are available to meet the schools financial obligations for the remainder of the year. Approved unanimously.

Committee Reports

Parent Dave McNulty reported that the spring fundraising event at Camp Mason in April, sponsored by Ridge and Valley Learning Circles, is currently on hold.

Technology The committee is working on ascertaining projected tech infrastructure needs.

Facilities Nanci Dvorsky said that preliminary contacts have been made regarding the proposed parking expansion. She also reported that infrastructure upgrades are being researched which would take place in the summer.

Finance Steve Andrasek reported that the Finance Committee continues to research possible refinancing of the current school mortgage loans. The committee is also working on a preliminary 2018-2019 school budget.

Communication Dave McNulty reported that a press release announcing the successful five year charter renewal is being developed.

Other Business Nanci Dvorsky reported that six summer camp proposals has been received and approved. The Trustees welcome Theresa Radline to the school as our new Business Coordinator.

Executive Session to Discuss Personnel 7:25pm Return to Public Session 9:20pm
Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm

Nanci Dvorsky, Board Secretary