

RIO GALLINAS SCHOOL
GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 2020
APPROVED MINTUES

The meeting was called to order on Zoom (virtual) at 9:19 a. m. by Chairman, Jude Romero. Present were Jude Romero, James Esquibel, Ray Sanchez, Jessyca Martinez, Rosalie Lopez, and Director Kirk Ludi. Quorum present.

Pledge of allegiance led by Ray Sanchez.

Proof of Notice: On the Rio door and webpage.

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made by Rosalie and 2nd by Ray to approve the agenda with the addition of Director Evaluation. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: No minutes were available – will approve/verify next meeting.

Discussion: Director's Performance and Evaluation—After discussion of the many areas of expertise by Kirk Ludi it was decided that to have a comparison of salaries for comparable charter schools to keep the salary fair. Mr. Ludi will check on that. James Esquibel will also prepare 4 or 5 questions for parents to help evaluate the success of Rio Gallinas School and help direct the board on areas we can improve and things that are going well. It was requested that Mr. Ludi send a listing of the accomplishments this year such as grants, furniture obtained and programming. He will email to Council. After each member fills out the evaluation document and we have the salary information we will finalize the Director contract at the next meeting.

Public Comments: None

Action Items 1. Approval of BARS – Mr. Ludi included explanations in Council handouts to expedite the virtual meeting. Motion by Jessyca 2nd by James to approve BARS. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Check Warrants – Motion by Rosalie, 2nd by Jessyca to approve the warrants. Motion carried.

3. Anti-bullying Policy – After discussion Mr. Ludi will have the anti-bullying policy looked at by the school attorney to make sure it meets all the qualifications. Approval was tabled until the next meeting.

Director's Report: 1. Briefly Mr. Ludi explained the school closing and how the teachers are supporting learning activities with their students. They have Facetime with students and the counselor will call students they have been working with to check on their handling of the stay at home situation. Mr. Benji called on all of his students but kept distance.

2. Obtained 6 large book shelves from Valmora for the library; Pool table and foosball table will be put in game room for inclement weather use and incentives; board games will also go in there; more books and book shelves from Cimarron Schools; 2 sets of bleachers for the playground area; 30 more chairs.

3. Enrollment remains at 70; lost 4 that moved and gained 3; 2 of whom returned after leaving to WLW.

4. Audit was completed with excellent ratings. Two minor things were found but they originated with WLW so they have been cleared up.

Announcements: 1. Next meeting will be via ZOOM on Saturday, April 18th at 9:00 a.m. Thank you to Ray for arranging the ZOOM set up.

2. Presentation of Audit to WLW School Board

3. WLW meetings TBD because of Coronavirus.

Regular meeting was adjourned at 10:13 a. m. to go into executive session to discuss Mr. Ludi's contract with a motion by Rosalie, 2nd by Jessyca. Motion carried and Mr. Ludi left the Zoom conference.

Executive Session was called to order at 10:15 a.m. to discuss the evaluation of the Director. It was suggested we look into giving a salary increase depending on what we find out from the comparison information. The group expressed pleasure at the stability of Rio Gallinas with the building, programming and teaching staff. As there was no further business in the Executive Session it was adjourned at 10:38 a.m. to return to the regular meeting.

Regular meeting reconvened and was adjourned on a motion by James, 2nd by Ray. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Director's Contract.

Respectfully,
Rosalie Lopez, Secretary