

River Bluff High School Improvement Council
RBHS Learning Commons
April 21, 2025
6:00 – 6:40 pm

Meeting Minutes

- I. Welcome Circle and Introductions – Kathryn Robinson, RBHS Assistant Principal
- Roll call and attendance – ***Participants introduced themselves and their connection to RBHS***
 - Welcome new members and guests
 - Approval of previous meeting minutes – ***Mrs. Robinson reviewed previous meeting minutes (Book Recommendation: The Anxious Generation by Jonathan Hoidt); motion approved.***
- II. Principal’s Report – Kathryn Robinson, RBHS Assistant Principal
- School updates (enrollment, staffing)
 - ***An Assistant Principal position vacant was recently filled and an Assistant Principal promoted at RBHS. All Lexington 1 Schools gifted/hiring a part-time Assistant Principal for leadership and growth opportunities. Hiring season in May, ready for August. Growing in technology departments.***
 - ***Senior Nights This Week***
 - ***Softball and Baseball are celebrating on Tuesday. Baseball fighting for the region championship against Lexington, can be co-region.***
 - ***Boys Lacrosse Playoff vs Dutch Fort on Tuesday***
 - ***Girls Lacrosse for Second Bi on Saturday***
 - ***Tennis is region champs.***
 - ***Great Fall & Winter Athletic Seasons, hoping for a great Spring Season***
 - ***Fine Arts Events through April 21-29 – Band, Orchestra, Theater.***
 - ***Choir will be going to Carnegie Hall NYC – Hosting Shoe Drive until Thursday April 24, 2025, to support Trip***
 - Updates on strategic initiatives or improvement plans
 - ***Policy for Athletic Transfer was passed. Benefits charter schools. The rule used to be why transferring, now when, but student has to transfer before start of practice. A “bona fide need (hardship, homeless) is required. Does not trump district policy. One time transfer rule. Class 2026 is grandfathered and can access, moving forward, seniors are exempt.***
 - ***Concern for transfer - class size, proper teaching***
 - ***Is there a quota? School choice going away? Most districts have a 10% quota and cap availability. District sends out availability.***
 - Budget and resource allocations impacting the school
- III. SIC Goals and Initiatives
- Updates on ongoing projects or initiatives
 - ~~Student/Teacher survey on Updated Cell Phone Policy~~
 - ~~Review draft of questions for survey in breakout groups~~
 - ~~Large group discussion of edits~~
 - ***Student/Teacher surveys don’t have to be presented this school year. Maybe the Students can present the Surveys to the Board.***
 - ***Surveys can be sent to SIC Members via email to provide feedback.***

- Discussion on school climate and culture – *Annual Newsletter/Publication, rely on SIC Student Members for assistance, can use Canva or Adobe.*

*****SIC Mandatory reporting

IV. Community and Parent Engagement

- Updates on partnerships with local business or organizations – *Need ideas/connections on engaging with local businesses. Guthrie’s Chicken opens on April 22, 2025, and there will be a chicken tender eating competition between RBHS and LHS, all the students at the winning school will receive a “Gut Box”. Students will contact Bella Grace to make an announcement and add to social media accounts.*
- Parent involvement opportunities (volunteering, mentoring, events)
- Communication strategies to keep families informed

V. Special Reports and Presentations

- None

VI. Open Discussion and Public Comment

- Feedback from parents and community members
 - *A parent asked about the SIC two-year term. Mrs. Robinson shared that Members would receive an email before the end of the year with a survey regarding compliance. New Members are eligible to run in the Fall.*
 - *A student asked about the election/voting procedures and factors. Mrs. Robinson shared that even if someone isn’t elected, they can still participate.*
- Suggestions for future SIC initiatives
- Questions and concerns from stakeholders

VII. Actions Items and Next Steps

- Assignments for SIC members or subcommittees
- Confirm date and agenda for next meeting – *Can propose for digital communication for May 2025*
- Closing remarks and adjustments – *Mrs. Robinson thanked SIC! Will send revised survey to SIC Members for feedback.*

Meeting Dates for 2024-2025:

10/21/2024 – Held

11/11/2024 – Held

12/16/2024 – Held

01/27/2025 – Cancelled

02/24/2025 – Held

03/24/2025 – Held

04/21/2025 – Held