



Rilke Schule  
Academic Policy Committee  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Friday 06 August 2021  
9:00 AM @ Zoom

In accordance with Alaska State Statute, the Rilke Schule APC, under contract with the Anchorage School Board, operates this charter school. The purpose of the Academic Policy Committee is to provide strategic governance for the school and its future. The board meets publicly to conduct the business of the school. The board is comprised of voting and advisory members representing parents, faculty, and staff. Parent-elected representatives serve staggered, three-year terms with elections every February. The Academic Policy Committee values public comments and encourages all interested parties to submit written public comments on any subject to [apc\\_rilke@asdk12.org](mailto:apc_rilke@asdk12.org). Fifteen minutes are reserved at the beginning and end of each regular meeting for public comments. *Next scheduled meeting is 19 August 2021.*

I. Call to order & Adoption of Agenda

9:03 am called to order by Chair Wileman

Members Present: Bearss, Colvin, Olson, Parker, Posanka, Redick, Vincent-Lang, Wileman

Excused Absence: Stacey, Storter

Chair Wileman recommended to amend the agenda to place New Business before Old Business and move New Business Item B before Item A.

Redick moved to adopt the agenda with the recommended changes, Olson 2<sup>nd</sup>;  
Unanimous Approval

II. Public Comment: The public was given two minutes each to express their comments

III. Reports

- A. Principal: see attached
- B. School Nurse: none

IV. New Business

A. ASD Virtual

Wileman: ASD Virtual was an option last year. The APC needs to decide if it will continue in 2021-22 school year. Is it operationally feasible to offer German instruction through Rilke teachers?

Colvin: ASD Virtual and in person instruction are two separate programs. ASD virtual uses different curriculum and teaching methods than what is offered at Rilke. It could be challenging for a student to be receiving both.

Vincent-Lang: Offering German instruction to the Virtual students could create inequities and scheduling conflicts for partner teachers.

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Redick moved, Colvin 2<sup>nd</sup> to offer ASD Virtual to Rilke students and direct Hr. Bearss and staff to discuss the feasibility of offering German instruction to these students.

Vincent-Lang moved, Posanka 2<sup>nd</sup> to amend the motion to re-evaluate the ASD Virtual program on a quarterly basis.

Yes – 4      No – 3      Amendment Passes

The primary motion passes unanimously

B. Survey Regarding 2021-22 Return to School Operational Guidelines

Parker moved, Redick 2<sup>nd</sup> to direct Hr. Bearss to conduct a survey of the Rilke families; Unanimous approval

The purpose of the survey is to get input from Rilke families regarding the Rilke safety plan. The teacher representatives will also gather input from the teachers and staff. The Communications Chair will work with Hr. Bearss to formulate the questions.

V. Old Business

A. 2021-22 Return to School Operational Guidelines

1. Tabled Motion from 02 August 2021: Parker moved, Posanka 2<sup>nd</sup> to make masks optional at Rilke – no action
2. Olson moved, Colvin 2<sup>nd</sup> to provisionally start the school year with the ASD Operational Guidelines and direct Hr. Bearss and staff to collect more data and develop a Rilke specific plan.

Olson: This strategy allows Rilke families to have some certainty as the direction for the start of the school year. This not much time before schools starts, families need some time to plan.

Wileman: What is the result is the APC does not take action on this item?

Hr. Bearss: If APC does not act, then Rilke will operate under the ASD 2021-22 Return to School Operational Guidelines.

Redick: The survey responses will help inform this decision. Move to table this item. No opposition.

Olson left the meeting at 10:03 am

Redick left the meeting at 10:06 am

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- VI. Public Comment: The public was given two minutes to express their comments
- VII. Potential Executive Session: none
- VIII. Adjournment 10:26 am

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