



Rilke Schule Academic Policy Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes 6:00 PM
Thursday, December 12, 2019
@ Rilke Schule Campus

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. Fifteen minutes are reserved at the beginning and end of each regular meeting for public comments. *Next meeting: Thursday, January 16, 2020*

- I. Call to order & Adoption of Agenda, approval of November minutes 6:00
Present: Barr, Morgan, Bittlingmaier, Storter, von Wichman, Wileman, Parker, Weese, Colvin. Kochanowski arrived a bit late.

Wileman moved, Storter seconded
- II. Public Comments
- III. Partner organizations reports
 1. RSV – not here. Weese reminded about sign up to bring food for luncheon
 2. RSI- not here
- IV. Reports
 - A. Officers – Weese followed up on library and teachers lounge signage. Bittlingmaier and Barr will finalize.
Treasurer: Storter discussed treasurer report, specifically this years expenditures trending higher. Mostly these are planned and approved expenditures out of the budget (unallocated funds). Contracted services for improvements to school: Highlighted computer carts, cabinets, painting, gym wall, additional TAs, purchase of PLTW and German curriculum.
Additionally a 38,000 increase to liability insurance that hit in August. This was not expected but is unavoidable. Per ASD this is a nationwide trend.
 - B. Principal: as printed
Highlights: met with ASD to plan preliminary budget for next year. Met with Charter principals to discuss spending on SPED. Change is happening to the way the funding is allocated.
Intercom system is obsolete. ASD is working with Barr on this.
Suspensions and referrals are way down thanks to teachers doing a great job effectively managing classrooms.
Rilke is one of 15 schools in ASD that achieved high academic growth/high achievement based on MAP assessment (3-8th grade) of math and reading.
 - C. Teachers: Winter Wonderland at West High School next Wednesday at 6 pm.

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D. Committees

1. Facilities: working on painting quotes for classrooms and gym. Will bring forward a full proposal in January. Also proposing a 3 year schedule for painting, on a 3 year rotation, different parts of building each year.
2. Strategic Planning: see old business
3. Performance: moving into performance review for principal coming up in January.
4. Election Committee: Announced dates for election, nominations, absentee voting. Committee is Storter, Weese, + Kjerstin Lastufka is parent volunteer
Nominations open January 27-Feb 6.
Candidate information will be published Feb. 10
Absentee Voting Feb. 17-20
Election Day Feb. 20

V. Old Business

- A. Update on state budget proposal 19/20: advocacy plans
- B. Work session on Charter January 30th time TBD
- C. Purchase of furniture up to \$35,000: Colvin has more information re costs and quality, worked with ASD and got additional quotes. Kochanowki asked if there is a warranty.
 - 1) Weese untabled motion to purchase classroom furniture for up to \$35,000 and Wileman 2nd. Further discussion as per above. Rebecca offered and Jeremy 2nded friendly amendment to make amendment less than \$25,000. James asked to see future planning document for furniture replacement. Rebecca is already working on that. Morgan requested teachers be allowed to give input to determine what furniture they get as it affects classroom management.
Weese called question. Passed unanimously.

VI. New business

- A. 2020/21 Budget Approval
Wileman moved to approve 2020/21 budget. Colvin 2nded. Explained this is first step in public process to approve budget, this is preliminary but required to move forward. Waiting on legislative process, district SPED decisions.
Unanimously approved.

VII. Executive Session: none

VIII. Public comments: none

IX. Adjournment at 7:15 PM

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