



Rilke Schule
Academic Policy Committee Agenda
Thursday, 16 October 2025
6:00 PM at Rilke Schule

Attendance: Amanda Thompson, Jessica Frey, Kim Jochum, Mark Truog, Jason Hotch, Mary Hopkins, Tom Honer, Jill Doniere, Herr Vincent-Lang
ZOOM: Herr Strauch

- I. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda and Minutes from 18SEP Meeting.
 - A. Move to add Facility communication after election policy by Member Jochum. Member Kelly Second.
6:07pm meeting called to order and agenda and September minutes adopted
- II. Public Comment: *Members of the public are allowed 2 minutes each and comments must specifically pertain to items on this agenda. We respectfully request that commenters refrain from all identifying references to Rilke Schule teachers/staff/students.*

Comments made.

- III. Partner Organizations
 - A. RSV - support administration and leadership of the school during the ASD rightsizing process
 - B. RSI - trust our administration navigating rightsizing
 1. 296 students in clubs
 2. Club List - sent out in November, new ones: pickleball, soccer, STEM club
 3. Approved Frau Reimer's request for skis. Will seek donations from business partners
 4. First board retreat. Formed committees to look at employee needs; employee appreciation; long-term savings.
- IV. Reports
 - A. Schülerrat - Maverick Nash - President; Kaylee -treasurer of Schulerrat. Working with Frau Wolfe. Community project - clothing drive for Whaley school - planning it during quarter 2
 - B. Officers
 1. Chair - no additional comments
 2. Vice chair - formulated letter for ASD board; learning role
 3. Secretary - working on google drive
 4. Treasurer - see report.

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- a. ASD completed FY25 Financial Close - got additional ~50k. Current unallocated funds /rollover savings at 1.55 million
 - b. Budgeting process over next couple months - by the end of October please request to Member Truog any budgetary priorities. November 7 Herr Strauch meets with budgeting team at ASD
 - c. December APC meeting will be budget discussion
- C. Principal - see report
- D. Teachers - see report
 - 1. Teachers collaborating during PLC time and working together
 - 2. Approach to PLC time was to review strategic plan and look for deficits - one was student sense of belonging - teams are developing goals to improve
 - 3. November 11 teacher in-service
- E. Committees:
 - 1. Facilities/Outdoor
 - a. Volunteer night was a success
 - b. Sound paneling - thank you to Keeter Brown
 - c. Parent volunteers working on raised beds
 - 2. Strategic Planning
 - a. Calendar - can we add more important dates to allow parents to view
 - b. Also a timeline for APC action items so we can look ahead
 - c. Subcommittees made
 - 3. Performance
 - a. Will meet to approve objectives for this year with Chair and Herr Strauch
 - b. Reviewed Employment agreement; 3 main strategic plan goals
 - c. Will have staff, parent and APC evaluations
 - d. Potential for updated employment agreement for next year

Amanda excused to leave early 7:04pm

V. New Business

- A. Election Policy - first reading
 - 1. Section IV, C - rank choice voting option in case of tie, add mid-term vacancy or term to clarify this is separate from general APC election
- B. Facility communications
 - 1. Send out an update to parents about the process to date and timeline to come
 - 2. Nov 4 rightsizing is non-action item for the ASD board
 - 3. Communicate with the ASD board sooner rather than later if interested
 - 4. Engaging with administration and school board to allow board to make best decision
 - 5. Recommend a town hall to discuss facility after Nov 18 vote from ASD board to discuss buildings
 - 6. Are we interested in the building? Question from ASD board

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Member Kelly: Motion to have the Vice Chair draft a letter to the ASD board after the 21OCT work session to express interest in the Lake Otis Elementary building and to draft a communication to parents to describe the timeline and rightsizing process. Member Hopkins seconded. No objection; Motion passes.

VI. Public Comment

Comments made

VII. Board Member Comments

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VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:53pm. Meeting adjourned

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