

Rilke Schule
Academic Policy Committee (APC)
May 19, 2016
Regular meeting minutes

Quorum established by Chair Storter, **meeting called to order** at 6:05pm.

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Jason, **passed** by voice vote unanimously.

Approval of April meeting minutes: Motion to approve by Jason, **passed** by voice vote unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Bartholomew, Polaris School Principal and Polaris School parent group chair Dannielle Mellor sharing their concerns about traffic congestion. First concern is the congestion itself; both schools are parent drop off only. Biggest impact is 3:00 to 3:20, their exiting traffic backs up deep into their parking lot. Their parents are very frustrated; morning is not so much of an issue. Principal has spent much time on the issue with her parents. Second concern is safety; they allow students to walk home from school. They have funding for a crossing guard at their exit to 64th. They also worry about emergency vehicle access during afternoon pickup window. Carol said the Muni did do a traffic study, two actually. First study counted 100 cars and only three walkers. Second study counted enough walkers for district to pay for crossing guard. However, because it was only a 15 minute window of congestion and therefore isn't worth the cost to make any changes to 64th or their exit road, which is Muni owned. Wants to know if we can work together to find a solution, but does not know what the solution is.

Agreed to do a work session

Robin Brooks – concern about length of lunch and recess. Last year it was a longer timeframe. The new timeframe of 20 minutes/20 minutes is not enough. 20/20 is the ASD standard according to Herr Bearss. Jason, I will forward your e-mail to the two staff leaders that do the daily schedule.

REPORTS

OFFICERS REPORTS

CHAIR – setting up meeting for all charter schools with new director of nutrition at ASD. Will see what can be done, Jason will report-back.

PRINCIPAL – not in attendance, report through Chair Storter and Herr Bearss. The issue about principal's contract has been resolved, pull from agenda.

There was a problem with the backup batteries for the fire alarm system. Issue has been resolved. Two fire investigators did come, determined the problem was malfunction battery charger causing the batteries to overheat and smell. They also determined the smell was no harm to the building occupants. New batteries have arrived and new charging system coming next week. Work begin done under warrantee.

Airhandler re-set issue –someone has looked at the system and believes they can resolve the issue of having to climb on the roof to reset the air handlers.

VICE CHAIR – none

TREASURER – Through May 18 have spent \$3.4m of our \$4.1m state allocation. Should carry forward up to \$500,000. This includes the \$393,000 rollover from last year. Means that without the rollover we finished the year roughly \$100,000 in the black.

Nichole Crawford has asked for \$450 to attend a conference in October. Treasurer can approve.

TEACHERS – last 10 days of school!

Frau Graham – as a parent and employee she’s very appreciative of everyone’s hard work getting into this building.

CURRICULUM DIRECTOR – not in attendance, written report submitted and reviewed by Herr Bearss. A1 and A2 testing. We have met the school goals, 96% passed A1. 82% passed A2. See handout from Frau Sanders. STAMP testing, first of testing. Some technical problems but went well.

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

RSV – no one in attendance

RSI – Ray, annual meeting recently. Jeff Lentfer resigned. Officers established as in April minutes. By-laws in progress and nearing completion. Will note being a supportive organization that serves at the pleasure of the APC.

NEW BUSINESS

Math Curriculum – Motion to adopt Houghton Mifflin Go Math K – 8. **Motion** by James, Second Kjersti.

Rules relaxed – any questions from the audience. Hearing none, question called. **Passed** by voice vote unanimously.

RSI, role and direction – handout of ideas for role of the organization. RSI is willing and able to hold funds for the various purposes listed on the handout, but they do not presently have a way to earn money. They have \$2000 - \$4000 per year in operating costs. RSI’s focus is on the facilities and

will only entertain requests related to the structure and grounds. Other requests will be directed to RSV or APC.

Jason, one item that is just about ready to go is the naming policy and process. RSI needs to adopt the policy. Process would be that RSI consider requests and ideas, and forward to APC and Management. Meeting proposed between Ray and Jason to finalize so both organizations can formally adopt it. RSI meets quarterly and will meet in July or August. RSI could adopt then, APC adopt in August or September meeting.

Facility rental – would be the source of income for RSI to operate and build the reserves for maintenance, capital improvement, and emergencies.

Two RSI and two APC (Morton and Kjersti) need to go and meet with ASD to talk about funds for items 5, 6, and 7 on the RSI handout (attached to minutes). Do they have formulas for how much to plan for these things?

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frau Cooper, if you need to make decisions about size of classrooms please wait until your teacher representatives are available for consultation. Some will be out of the country in June and July.

Herr Bearss, all APC members and community present please sign the yearbook for Herr Ball.

Rebecca Colvin, idea/proposal for lunch and recess time issue. What if we add time during the lunch and recess period and push our pick up time back. This would resolve both the lunchtime squeeze and the traffic problem in the afternoon. Bearss, we are at the maximum time allowance under current teacher contracts.

ADJOURNED 7:00