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**MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTING MEETING**

April 20, 2023 - 7:00 PM

Google Meet link:

<https://meet.google.com/dsq-txzm-oih>

Google Slides Link:

[April Board Agenda Slides](#)

1. **Call to order - 7:07 pm**

2. **Opening Matters**

- **Pledge of Allegiance - [Flag](#)**
- **Attendance** - (virtual, where noted)

Board of Trustees & Administration

Elizabeth Falcone (President - Presiding);
Greg Queen, (Vice-President)
Monica Reynolds (Secretary),
Mark Greiner,
Sujaya Narahari,
Yvan Francois,
G. Anne Waskiewicz,
Gwendolyn Supplee, (attending virtually)
Seyi Akinfenwa, (attending virtually)
Jonathan Duncan,
Moujan Toloubadei

Administration:

Dr. Gina Guarino-Buli
~~David Cosme, Jr.,~~
~~Harold Smith~~
~~Jordan Miller~~
Tara Webber,
Michelle Boyd, (attending virtually)
Carol Schaeffer;
Heather Rinker; (attending virtually)
Kendra Gruber;

- **Opening statements – E.Falcone**
 - Executive Session Held: before this meeting relating to personnel/employment issue

3. **Voting to Admit new board members:** Christopher Canale (Seat 3) and Connor McLaughlin (Seat 10)

- Motion to elect Christopher Canale to serve as Trustee on the RA Board of Trustees (Seat 3) made by G.Queen; Seconded by A.Waskiewicz.

	<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
E.Falcone	√		
M.Reynolds	√		
G.Queen	√		
M.Greiner	√		
S.Narahari	√		
Y.Francois	√		
G.Anne Waskiewicz	√		
G.Supplee	√		
S.Akinfenwa	√		
J. Duncan	√		

Result: All in favor and none opposed; Motion carries. **Christopher Canale is ELECTED as a Trustee on the RA Board of Trustees (Seat 3).**

- Motion to elect Connor McLaughlin to serve as Trustee on the RA Board of Trustees (Seat 10) made by M.Greiner; Seconded by S.Narahari.

	<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
E.Falcone	√		
M.Reynolds	√		
G.Queen	√		
M.Greiner	√		
S.Narahari	√		
Y.Francois	√		
G.Anne Waskiewicz	√		
G.Supplee	√		
S.Akinfenwa	√		
J. Duncan	√		
C.Canale			√

Result: All in favor and none opposed; C.Canale abstains. Motion carries. **Connor McLaughlin is ELECTED to serve as Trustee on the RA Board of Trustees (Seat 10)**

4. **Consent Agenda -**

- Approval of Agenda

□ Motion to amend to the agenda update the meeting: (i) to reflect voting upon acceptance of Meeting Minutes from March 16, 2023 meeting and (ii) to reflect that the third reading and vote upon of the Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for Public Emergencies - made by M.Reynolds,

- Approval of March 16, 2023 meeting minutes _ [3.16.23 Meeting Minutes.docx](#)
- Acceptance of Administration Reports
- Staff Roster by Business Manager

Any objections to amendment of and approval and acceptance of Consent Agenda items? None.

Result: Items in Consent Agenda, as amended, are approved and accepted.

5. Public Comment - If not submitted as an email, please use the “Raise Hand” feature and you will be called upon - publiccomment@rak12.org. **No emails, no persons present or virtually made a public comment.**

6. Administration Reports – Outlines of Reports are now included in the google slide deck at the link provided above. *See* the slide deck linked above for details.

- Principals Report - Michelle Boyd provided a summary of her report with regard to the high school, as reflected in the slide deck. Ms. Rinker provided a summary of her report with regard to the middle school, as reflected in the slide deck. Ms. Gruber provided a summary of her report with regard to the middle school, as reflected in the slide deck.
- Student Achievement Report - Mr. Cosme’s report was contained in the slide deck.
- Deans of Students Report– T.Webber provided a summary of the elementary school reports as reflected in the slide deck. Harold Smith’s high school report and Jordan Miller’s middle school report is contained in the slide deck.
- CEO Report – Dr. Buli – Dr. Buli provided summary of her report. [April 2023 CEO](#)

7. Committees Meeting updates – Committee Chairs - Outlines of Reports are now included in the google slide deck at the link provided above. *See* the slide deck for details.

- Development Committee – Mark Greiner provided summary and highlights of the report contained in the slide deck.
- Climate and Culture – Mark Greiner provided a summary of his report.
- Curriculum & Achievement – Gwen Supplee provided summary and highlights of the report contained in the slide deck, and in particular explained the intended modification of grading policies and standards for elementary and fine arts classes.
- Standing Executive Session on HR – Greg Queen provided summary of report.
- Finance Committee – Written report was shared in Google slide deck. Yvan Francois provided a summary. Funds moved last month were replaced this month.
- Strategic Planning Committee – Written summary shared in Google slide deck. Jonathan Duncan provided a summary.
- Legislative Committee – Written report was shared in Google slide deck. Anne Waskiewicz provided summary.
- Equality and Equity Committee - Sujaya Narahari provided summary of her report.
- Business Manager’s Report – Carol Schaeffer. Reports were in folder.

8. Policy Reviews/Resolutions –

- Revised Graduation Policy in compliance with the new PDE requirements:

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- Motion to Adopt Revised Graduation Policy in compliance with the new PDE requirements made by M.Reynolds, Seconded by G.Supplee.

	<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
E.Falcone	√		
M.Reynolds	√		
G.Queen	√		
M.Greiner	√		
S.Narahari	√		
Y.Francois			√
G.Anne Waskiewicz	√		
G.Supplee	√		
S.Akinfenwa	√		
J. Duncan	√		
C.Canale			√
C.McLaughlin			√

Result: All in favor and none opposed; Y.Francois, C.Canale and C.McLaughlin abstained; Motion carries. **The Revised Graduation Policy is ADOPTED.**

- Third Reading and vote upon [Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for Public Emergencies](#)

- Motion to Adopt the Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for Public Emergencies made by G.Queen, Seconded by M.Greiner.

	<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Opposed</u>	<u>Abstained</u>
E.Falcone	√		
M.Reynolds	√		
G.Queen	√		
M.Greiner	√		
S.Narahari	√		
Y.Francois	√		
G.Anne Waskiewicz	√		
G.Supplee	√		
S.Akinfenwa	√		
J. Duncan	√		
C.Canale			√
C.McLaughlin			√

Result: All in favor and none opposed; C.Canale and C.McLaughlin abstain; Motion carries. **The Policy regarding Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for Public Emergencies is ADOPTED.**

9. **New Business –**

- **Updated Handbook saved in drive.**

10. **Adjournment.** Motion to Adjourn made at 8:12 p.m. by M. Reynolds, Seconded by G.Queen. All in favor and none opposed. Motion carries. **Meeting ADJOURNED.**



Monica Mathews Reynolds, Trustee and Recording Secretary