

**RISE Academy School of Science & Technology**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Minutes**  
**June 19, 2018**

Meeting was called to order by Dr. Peart @ 6:25 p.m. and seconded by D. Jackson.  
Attendees: Dr. Morton, Dr. Peart, D. Jackson, L. Haughton and A. Brown. Absent: N. Flores

Minutes: Minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Executive Director Report:**

- The draft budget was discussed with RISE ending school year financially solid. The new budget is due July 16, 2018 and will reflect salaries for Teacher Assistants. Some of the Title I funds will be used to hire Teacher Assistants.
- The Compensation Plan remains the same with the teachers receiving a minimum 3% salary increase depending on their final evaluation and according to the Compensation Plan.
- Student recruitment is ongoing with various Open House events scheduled. Ninety Five percent of current students are returning which is significant improvement from previous years. This will help with our application to the Charter School Growth Fund.
- Accreditation is now final and RISE Academy will be receiving the formal letter and certificate in the mail in the next few weeks. Hooray!!
- All Teachers have signed the "Letter of Intent" expressing an interest in returning to RISE. Teacher contracts were given to most of them.
- Board training retreat scheduled for late July but location has not been confirmed.
- ~~Recommendation/Resume/Evaluation presented for Dr. Adriana Guerra to be promoted to principal of RISE Academy Margate.~~

**Principal Reports: (given by Executive Director/Interim Principal)**

- Instruction and Assessment Report – FSA Third Grade Reading scores Third grade teachers worked extremely hard in improving their Reading and the results have reflected such. RISE Academy received the best Reading scores in Margate. That included both traditional public and Charter. We believe the tutoring is working and will continue to use Title I funds for target tutoring. We will focus on 2nd graders. Still too many 2's.
- Dr. Guerra and team leaders will be meeting next week to finalize schedules and plans
- All FSA scores should be available in a few days. We are expecting an "A" this year!
- The Parent Student Handbook and Faculty Handbooks require little change with just dates and names for reporting.
- A Safety Officer will be in place for the new school year and will be reflected in the new Budget. According to information shared at Principals meeting, money had not been determined but it will need to be in our new safety plan and budgeted for.
- Textbook and material orders have been made to ensure all items arrive in time for early start of school year.

- Student planners will be the same. Very comprehensive and all the components will be used much better this year.

An updated calendar for July and August will be provided.

**New Business:**

- New safety plan will need to be reviewed by board. It includes new details and possibility of armed security or police officer.
- RISE Education Management opportunity was discussed for RISE Academy.
- Venture Design Contact for services was reviewed and signed. Last several years it was worry free. The expense is worth it.
- Charter School Growth Fund (funding organization funds growing charter schools through grants) Application is being processed. Phase I and Phase II are complete and now we wait for them to do their due diligence. Dr. Morton is looking for a larger facility and opportunities to grow the RISE program. Our increase in enrollment to 500 will never happen unless we find a larger facility.

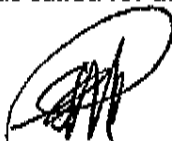
**There were no Public comments.**

**4 Votes held** (Principal Appt., Parent Student Handbook, Employee/Faculty Handbook, Compensation Plan)

Yea = 3 Nay = 0

The next meeting will be held July 24, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called for adjournment by Dr. Peart at 7:45 p.m. and seconded by L. Houghton.

  
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