

RISING STARS ACADEMY
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 21, 2022

1. Call to Order Time: 6:31 p.m.
Attendance: Bob Nowak, Sue Uhl, Annette Duda, Robert Spada, Charisse Cossu-Kowalski, Ms. Cossu-Kowalski's daughter, Mark Prentiss, Debbie Prentiss, Marsha Salome, Joy Haynes (CL-Superintendent), Emily Bregier, Maria Maples, Che'Terra Phillips
ABSENT: Lori Mochty
2. Green Screen Presentation: Maria Maples and Che'Terra Phillips
Took place in Room 133. After presentation, it was shared a future elective is recording studio which is housed near bakery. Goal is to have an RSA podcast at end of year.
3. Citizen Non-Agenda Items: None.
4. Communication: None.
5. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 17, 2022
 - a. Motion by Annette Duda
 - b. Supported by Sue Uhl
 - c. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No – approved by Bob Nowak, Annette Duda, Sue Uhl, Robert Spada, and Charisse Cossu-Kowalski

FINANCIAL

6. Acknowledgement of receipt of check register March, 2022
 - a. Motion by Sue Uhl
 - b. Supported by Robert Spada
 - c. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No – approved by Bob Nowak, Annette Duda, Sue Uhl, Robert Spada, and Charisse Cossu-Kowalski
7. Approval of Change of May BOE Meeting Date from May 19, 2022 to May 12, 2022
 - a. Motion by Sue Uhl
 - b. Supported by Annette Duda
 - c. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No – approved by Bob Nowak, Annette Duda, Sue Uhl, Robert Spada, and Charisse Cossu-Kowalski
8. Approval and Adoption of Spring 2022 Board Policies from National Charter Schools Institute dated April 11, 2022
 - a. Moved by Robert Spada
 - b. Supported by Charisse Cossu-Kowalski
 - c. Roll Call Vote: 5 Yes 0 No – approved by Bob Nowak, Annette Duda, Sue Uhl, Robert Spada, and Charisse Cossu-Kowalski
9. Business Manager Report
Lori Mochty was absent. Bob had a question about a difference between March, 2022's forecasted balance for September, 2022 and April, 2022's forecasted balance for

September, 2022. Deb Prentiss called Lori Mochty who stated that the food program reimbursement to State from audit was not backed out in March financials and was moved out in April financials.

10. Building and Grounds Report

Deb Prentiss stated RSA has 15 new chickens.

11. Superintendent Report

Deb Prentiss reviewed the superintendent report. She shared that the Night Under the Stars event will not be held at Eastern Market this year due to most businesses stating they will provide gift cards in support as opposed to staff and/or product. Since the recent March bowling fundraiser was well received, and many had to be turned away due to not enough space, another bowling fundraiser will take place on Friday, June 3, 2022 at Sterling Lanes. RSA has reserved the entire bowling facility (70 lanes).

12. Motion to Approve \$25,000 from RSA General Fund towards purchase of the building conditional upon RSA Foundation providing \$50,000 towards the purchase of the building.

Moved by: Robert Spada

Supported by: Charisse Cossu-Kowalski

Roll Call Vote: 4 Yes 1 No – approved by Annette Duda, Sue Uhl, Robert Spada, Charisse Cossu-Kowalski

Bob Nowak voted NO.

13. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

Moved by Bob Nowak

Supported by Robert Spada

Meeting ended 8:06 p.m.