

Ridgeview Charter School Monthly Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date and Time	
Date of Meeting:	April 29, 2023
Time of Meeting:	10:00 AM
Meeting Location	
Location of Meeting:	Ridgeview Charter School 207 W Bradley St Gastonia, North Carolina 28052
Meeting Attendees	
Present at Meeting:	Atty Colleen Samuels, Interim Board Chair Mikael Brown, Treasurer Rehall Williams, Principal & Founder Dr. Doris Sanders, Interim Recording Sec. Agnes Miller, Guest: Dean of Curriculum Naomi Mothersill, New Member Rodney Thompson, New Member Mercedes Bouyer, New Member

The regular Board of Directors of Ridgeview Charter School Meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM on April 29, 2023 at Ridgeview Charter School by Attorney Colleen Samuels.

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was distributed and unanimously approved.

II. Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

III. Consideration of Open Issues

1. Being A Board Member
Atty. Colleen Samuels
 - Responsibilities of "Being a Board Member."
 - Responsiveness
 - Board Overview
 - In 2019, we managed to find partners to collaborate with us, as they came with an influx of cash to help us.
 - In 2023, we were able to obtain a secure line of credit (thanks to Mikael) to pay off our loan.

2. Meet the Principal & Founder
Reshall Williams, Principal & Founder
 - Introduction of herself (From Michigan)
 - Been in education for 35 years
 - Taught in Michigan and Indiana
 - Learned ideas from her travel
 - Explained myths about Charter Schools
 - Explained how Charters came together
 - Shared testament of how her husband and she opened the school.
 - Explained the importance and need for integrity, and doing what is right.
 - Explained best practices
 - Ridgeview Charter School, a school of foreign languages
 - Challenges: Finding teachers for foreign languages, working with Immigration, COVID-19, teacher burnout, & hiring. and the emotional state of the student.
 - Goals: Increase enrollment. Our current Enrollment is 237. Get into our own NEW building, partnership with consultants, new building, new growth in student enrollment.
 - Renewal Process. This is a two (2) year process. Our first visit was on March 30, 2023, we received citations for corrections.
 - Desire to rank as a Top 5 School, build more administrators, build our brand & touch student lives.

3. Introductions of New Board Members
Atty. Colleen Samuels, Interim Board Chair
 - Atty. Colleen Samuels distributed to the new members a copy of the Governance Best Practices Handbook and the folder of items for new board members.
 - Each new member gave a brief introduction of themselves.
 - **Mercedes Bouyer, New Member**, Community Liaison for State Farm.
 - **Rodney Thompson, New Member**, City of Gastonia Fire Department.
 - **Naomi Mothersill, New Member**, Truist Bank.

4. Principal's Report
Reshall Williams, Principal
 - Dr. Doris Sanders reported on the 23-24 Scribbles Enrollment. Numbers including both online and paper applications, to date are 316.
 - Principal Williams reported on Action Items of Renewal: Title 1, and BOD Items.
 - Dean Agnes Miller, reported on the 2023 Summer Program. Summer Program dates are from June 20-July 20, 2023. Teachers report by 8:30 am, Students leave at 2:00 pm.
 - Mikael Brown inquired about Junior Achievement.

5. Treasurer's Report
Mikael Brown, Board Treasurer
 - By June 30, we will have approximately $\$370,547.00 + \$60,000AR + \$160,903.00 = \$591,450.00$ total assets.

6. Old Business
Reshall Williams, Principal & Founder
 - Bus Transportation: For 23-24, we HOPE to purchase/secure our own Activity Transportation Bus.

7. New Business
Reshall Williams, Principal & Founder
 - Meeting with Bishop McCullough in June 2023 to discuss lease renewal.
 - Atty Colleen Samuels reminded us of the Annual Meeting in June 2023.
 - Reshall Williams, shared the need for Board of Directors (BOD) training, and connecting with Ms. Dillingham, with the Office of Charter Schools to schedule the training.
 - Mikel Brown, made the motion to ADJOURN the meeting.
 - Reshall Williams, seconded the motion to ADJOURN the meeting.

IV. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 10:00 AM on May 27, 2023, at:
Ridgeview Charter School
207 W Bradley St
Gastonia, North Carolina
28052

Meeting Adjourned at 11:07 AM by Attorney Colleen Samuels, Interim Board Chair.

Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Doris Sanders

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BOD Interim Recording Secretary