



Rilke Schule  
Academic Policy Committee Agenda  
Thursday 19 October 2023  
6:00PM @ Rilke Schule

In accordance with Alaska State Statute, the Rilke Schule APC, under contract with the Anchorage School Board, operates this charter school. The purpose of the Academic Policy Committee is to provide strategic governance for the school and its future. The board meets publicly to conduct the business of the school. The board is comprised of voting and advisory members representing parents, faculty and staff. Parent-elected representatives serve staggered, three-year terms with elections every February. The Academic Policy Committee values public comments and encourages all interested parties to submit written public comments on any subject to [apc\\_rilke@asdk12.org](mailto:apc_rilke@asdk12.org). Fifteen minutes are reserved at the beginning and end of each regular meeting for public comments. *Next scheduled meeting 14 November 2023*

Present: Herr Vincent-Lang, Frau Robertson, Herr Phillips, Jason Hotch, Branden Strauch, Rebecca Colvin, Maggie Weyrens  
Excused Absent: Mark Truog, Megan Olson, Connie Jessen, Katie Kelly

- I. Call to order at 6:00 & Adoption of Agenda and Minutes from 21 September 2023 Regular Meeting. Facilities Chair Hotch moved to adopt the Agenda and Minutes from the 21 September 2023 Meeting. Second by Staff Representative Robertson, friendly amendment by Principal Strauch to add New Business Item- Change Regular November Meeting from November 15 to November 14. Upon motions duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, Agenda amended as stated and Minutes adopted.
- II. Public Comment: *Members of the public were allowed 2 minutes each on comments specifically pertaining to items on this agenda. .*
- III. Partner Organizations
  - A. RSV- Frau Brewer, elections at last meeting. 2 open seats and 2 up for reelection. Filled all 4 seats, those up for reelection kept seats, 2 new family members have been added to the Board. Positions voted on at November meeting. Sold out Oktoberfest last weekend. Travel Clubs attended for fundraising for trips. 50/50 raffle for DC trip, Germany kids bussed tables for tips. Upcoming Sankt Martinstag November 9. Papa Murphy's fundraiser also in November. Gearing up for Christkindmarkt. Will have student booths in classroom doors. Both travel clubs and Service HS will be represented selling food upstairs.
    1. Herr Vincent-Lang- Thank you RSV for helping to restock our food pantry for kids that need lunches or snacks.
  - B. RSI-there is no new information, no meetings since quarterly, upcoming meeting is November 16.
- IV. Reports
  - A. Officers-
    1. Chair- Will report under Business Item- Charter Renewal.

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2. Vice Chair- Absent.
  3. Secretary-Continues to ensure online public materials and APC folders are updated.
  4. Treasurer- Absent. Report as submitted.
- B. Principal- Report as submitted. Most likely APC will see this Budget for FY 24/25 in December. First draft likely by November meeting.
- C. Teachers- Busy with K-3 working on the new CKLA curriculum. Classes went on first field trips this week. Tomorrow is grading day this week so teachers are working on grading. Need to get more volunteers from the parent pool, some teachers are able to find ways to get parents into the classroom for volunteer hours.
- D. Schülerrat- Absent.
- E. Committees:
1. Facilities/Outdoor- Parking lights- lot is settling and parking lot light electrical connections were sheared. Electrical wire applied to two front posts and some extra lights strung for parking lot visibility. The more permanent fix of completely digging up the parking lot can't be completed until school's out for the summer. We have been made aware that the creek is beginning to encroach on the playground areas.
  2. Strategic Planning- Representative absent- Board discussion. Can the board start working on this outside of the community engagement piece? Herr Strauch would like the school leadership team to have input on the 5 year plan. At what stage do we solicit community input on this plan? Our mission, vision and goals drive the strategic plan, and it should be driven by someone that really has expertise in that area.  
**ACTION ITEM:** Consult with Strategic Planning chair to determine whether APC can begin outlining the Strategic Plan before January, when AASB Representative Timi Tullis is available for strategic planning community outreach.
  3. Performance- Absent. Working on November contract check-in with Principal, as a lead-in to the annual evaluation in February.

## V. Old Business

- A. Student Data Request- Herr Strauch discussed with an ASD representative metrics that are available regarding student assessments and data. There are indicators showing student success that we can access. If APC would like to assess how well our students are prepared for high school, we need to look at 9th grader data starting in January. This could include passing rates, attendance rates, what courses they are involved in with a second level of how prepared they are for college, AP courses, seal of biliteracy, etc. 9th grade success is a huge indicator of high school success. Senior year is the huge predictor for college success. For Rilke it is a very small sample size so one or more outliers high or low will greatly impact the data. We need to go to ASD for this data around January and after the school year.

## VI. New Business

- A. Charter Renewal 2025- Core group- Chair Colvin, Vice Chair Kelly, Herr Vincent-Lang, and Principal Strauch. Herr Hlasney will help us with this charter renewal process, and he has provided multiple templates and docs along with the renewal application. Colvin requests up to 2 more Board members to serve on this

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workgroup. Secretary Weyrens volunteers. Plan is to meet and go through the Charter application line by line. Anything we change will be brought to the board for review. The deadline for submitting the full charter application to ASD is September 2024. The APC is free to look at and review the charter document, but please refrain from commenting or editing in that document.

- B. Amended Item- November Meeting Date Change. From Wednesday, 15 November to Tuesday, 14 November. Teacher Representative Robertson moved to change the regular meeting to November 14, Facilities Chair Hotch seconded. Discussion. At least 5 Board members have responded that they are available. Upon motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, motion passes unanimously.

VII. Public Comment- 2 members of the public in attendance commented.

VIII. Executive Session- none.

IX. Adjournment- Facilities Chair Hotch motioned to adjourn, Staff Representative Robertson seconded. Motion passed unanimously. There being no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 7:31PM.

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