



Rilke Schule  
Academic Policy Committee Minutes  
Thursday, January 18, 2024  
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 15 February 2024*

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

- I. Call to order at 6:02 PM & Adoption of Agenda and Minutes from 21 December 2023 Regular Meeting. Vice Chair Kelly moved to adopt the Agenda and Minutes from December 21 Regular Meeting. Performance Chair Olson seconded. Upon motion duly made and seconded with all members voting in favor, Agenda and Minutes adopted.
- II. Public Comment: *Members of the public are allowed 2 minutes each and comments must specifically pertain to items on this agenda. We respectfully request that commenters refrain from all identifying references to Rilke Schule teachers/staff/students.*
- III. Partner Organizations
  - A. RSV- no representative available
  - B. RSI- no representative available
- IV. Reports
  - A. Officers
    1. Chair Colvin- Work group is meeting regularly for revising the Rilke Schule Charter application. We would like to remove the dress code and nutrition policy from this document. The whole Board will vote on this revision once it is completed.
    2. Vice Chair Kelly- We have started the election call for nominations and applications. We have no applicants yet, and the deadline is next Friday. **ACTION ITEM:** Herr Strauch will send a separate email to the Rilke Community regarding the APC election.
    3. Secretary- working with Charter workgroup and Grants Committee.
    4. Treasurer- see report. We have the Grants work session, and also a work session to reduce rent.
  - B. Principal- See report.
  - C. Teachers- happy with student progress on most recent testing scores. Battle of the Books competitions start 1-30 for 5th-8th grades, 2-1 for 3rd-4th grades.

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- D. Schülerrat- no representative available
- E. Committees:
  - 1. Facilities/Outdoor- no new report.
  - 2. Strategic Planning- workgroup on 2-1, survey results are in your mailbox. This is a non-voting work session for the Boards. Plan to establish Mission and Vision. This is a guided session, and we want to end with a draft. Read through with APC at February or March meeting.  
**ACTION ITEM-** Herr Strauch to send out an email about this Board work session.
  - 3. Performance- evaluation for Principal is ready. There is one for the APC, one for the community, open until February 15th.  
**ACTION ITEM-** Secretary will work with Principal to create folders for Performance committee to retain records that can be confidential. Principal responsible for updating these folders, with Co-Chair and Secretary as 2nd and 3rd.
- V. Old Business
  - A. ASD Facility Updates- this can fall off the agenda and get reported on in Facilities report. Currently Herr Strauch, Chair, Treasurer, and Facilities are working with ASD personnel to plan for negotiations on the Rilke facility lease.
  - B. Activity Fee, Student Supply Fee, Field Trips- Calculations-can fall off report.  
**ACTION ITEM:** Herr Strauch will reach out to RSV to confirm that they can make a yearly contribution for the Seward field trip.
  - C. Elections Committee- see above.
  - D. Grants Committee- this is more of an outreach for the initial meeting. What grants are, how this will work, and who is interested.
- VI. New Business- none
- VII. Public Comment- 4 commenters.
- VIII. Executive Session- none.
- IX. Adjournment- Treasurer Truog moved to adjourn. Co-Chair Kelly seconded. All members in favor. Upon motion duly made and seconded, with all members voting in favor, motion passes. Adjourned at 7:32 PM.

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