



Rilke Schule

Academic Policy Committee Minutes

Thursday, 6 March 2025

6:15 PM at 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. Fifteen minutes are reserved at the beginning and end of each regular meeting for public comments. *Next scheduled meeting: 21 March 2025*

Present: Akara Anglin, Jill Doniere, Jessica Frey, Robin Phillips, Branden Strauch, Amanda Thompson,
Maggie Weyrens

Present on Zoom: Mark Truog

Late: Robin Phillips

Guests: Jocelyn Blanchard, Rebecca Colvin, Cameron Vincent-Lang

- I. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda.
 - A. Call meeting to order at 6:15. A motion was made to adopt the agenda by Staff Rep. Jill Doniere, seconded by Performance Chair Maggie Weyrens. Being as one member was participating via zoom for the vote, a Roll Call vote ensued:

Robin Phillips: Aye
Jill Doniere: Aye
Mark Truog: Aye
Rebecca Colvin: Aye
Maggie Weyrens: Aye
Amanda Thompson: Aye
Jason Hotch: Aye
Katie Kelly: Aye

As all were in favor, Motion passed.

- II. Public Comment: 4 comments. It was noted that a large number of viewers had joined the meeting Zoom.
- III. New Business

- A. Summation of 4 March ASD School Board Meeting - Acting Chair Kelly:

1. She reviewed with the public that ASD Administration's recommendation was for Rilke to move into Lake Hood Elementary. When it came time in the School Board meeting to vote on the recommendation, Member Higgins made the motion for an amendment that would put ANCCS. It was passed 4-3. The final

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motion was 5-2, with members Higgins, Jacobs, Lessens, Wilson and Bellamy voting for it.

2. Discussion among APC members added more summary details. During the vote, Information was requested only from the other APC president, even though Rilke APC was present. Rilke had previously answered questions from Jacobs about transportation to Rilke. That was not brought up fairly in the meeting. The ASD administration's extensive data was not listened to at all. The amendments were not given to us ahead of time, were not on the agenda, and were added late into the night. Those from Rilke in attendance were caught off guard by these irregularities.
3. It was mentioned that because it mirrored other procedural irregularities, procedural questions have been brought up. APC will follow up with community follow-up afterwards.
4. Discussion among guests. Joslyn: Info was called. Blatant disregard for Rilke seemed apparent, as the option for long term use of a building was not fairly applied to Rilke.

IV. Board Comments: 2, with Guest comments

V. Executive Session¹ to discuss future facility options which have a financial impact on the school.

A. Facilities Chair Hotch made a motion to go into Executive Session, and it was seconded by Performance Chair Anglin.

Amanda Thompson: Aye

Maggie Weyrens: Aye

Jason Hotch: Aye

Jessica Frey: Ayue

Katie Kelly: Aye

Mark Truog: Aye

Jill Doniere: Aye

Robin Phillips: Aye

Akara Anglin: Aye

Motion passed with all in favor, and the body entered Executive Session.

At 8:24 PM, Executive Session was exited. Hotch made a motion to extend the

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meeting, which was seconded by Strategic Planning Chair Weyrens.

Katie Kelly: Aye
Mark Truog: Aye
Jill Doniere: Aye
Robin Phillips: Aye
Akara Anglin: Aye
Amanda Thompson: Aye
Maggie Weyrens: Aye
Jason Hotch: Aye
Jessica Frey: Aye

At 8:34 PM, Hotch made a motion to reenter Executive Session, with Anglin seconding.

Mark Truog: Aye
Jill Doniere: Aye
Robin Phillips: Aye
Akara Anglin: Aye
Amanda Thompson: Aye
Maggie Weyrens: Aye
Jason Hotch: Aye
Jessica Frey: Aye
Katie Kelly: Aye

Upon the Executive Session, concluding, Kelly noted that there would be a Special Meeting called next week to continue board work on the issue.

VI. Adjournment

A. Hotch motioned to adjourn the meeting with Anglin seconding.

Amanda Thompson: Aye
Maggie Weyrens: Aye
Jason Hotch: Aye
Jessica Frey: Aye
Katie Kelly: Aye
Mark Truog: Aye
Jill Doniere: Aye
Robin Phillips: Aye
Akara Anglin: Aye

With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

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