



Rilke Schule  
Tri-Board Meeting Minutes  
5:00 PM  
Monday 26 April 2021  
@ Zoom

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 meeting TBA*

- I. Call to order & roll call
  - A. APC – James Wileman, Jeremy Parker, Megan Olson
  - B. RSV – Mark Truog, Danielle Ayers, Lynnette Peluso
  - C. RSI – Laurie Orell, Marisa Wang, Rebecca Colvin
- II. Adoption of Agenda – Jeremy moved, Megan 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.
- III. Organization Reports
  - A. APC – Thanks to everyone for their hard work, input, and help over the last year.
  - B. RSI – Original mission and vision was achieved after Rilke moved into our own building. We created a new mission and vision in 2020 and plan to complete a strategic plan in 2021.
  - C. RSV – Working on end-of-year events and planning for next year's.
- IV. Question & Answer (board members only) - None
- V. Old Business
  - A. COVID Task Force – Chair disbanded the task force as intent is completed and thanks all members and participants from it.
- VI. New Business
  - A. Recruitment of Parent Volunteers for Committees & Special Projects
    1. RSI has empty board seats. RSV will be turning over more than half of their board in the Fall and are concerned about a lack of parental involvement to fill these necessary positions.
    2. Rilke has a volunteer hour requirement that we are not tracking. We don't want a punitive system, but something positive to highlight Rilke's engaged community.

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3. RSI has discussed Rilke working towards being recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School, through the AATG German Center of Excellence, or other organizations. Many of these require volunteer or community involvement.
  4. Megan will work with representatives from the other two boards on a parent engagement strategy.
- B. Establish Tri-Board working group to coordinate/apply for government grants & fund raising for special projects
1. Both RSI and RSV are fundraising arms of Rilke. We need to know what is the focus for each board. Is RSV a short-term fundraiser for cultural events or are they there for larger efforts? RSI operates clubs, but has broader long-term funding goals as well.
  2. This topic needs a separate, longer discussion. RSI will email the other boards their strategic summary (plan in progress) that will add to this future discussion.
- C. Outdoor Plan / Outdoor Classroom
1. Rilke's Outdoor Plan is from 2015. We're starting to complete some of these projects. The outdoor workgroup has prioritized three projects with the outdoor classroom being one of them. We are scoping out a Learning Corner for Rilke's property and a full outdoor classroom for Meadow Park.
- D. Summer German Camp & Clubs
1. RSI wants to begin an annual, week-long German immersion summer camp 2022. Studies show that a summertime math or reading refresher results in associated increased test scores. We can surmise the same will be true for foreign language.
  2. Clubs cannot find providers to offer clubs if school ends at 1:15 pm next year. Rilke intends to go back full time 2021-22. RSI will work to build a clubs schedule and providers for a robust program in the fall.
- E. ADA Accessibility
1. Federal infrastructure monies are coming to many organizations. There could be opportunities for us to enhance our property's accessibility.
  2. There has been previous work on increasing the accessibility from our backdoors to the outside, fire lane, and playground. This project will be revived and further scoped out to have a shovel ready project.

VII. Public Comments – none

VIII. Adjournment 6:50 pm

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