



John Rex Charter School

Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

April 19, 2018

Board Directors

Present:

Lawrence Baines, Ph.D.

Joe Clytus

Kelly Feille, Ph.D.

Nathaniel Harding

Phil Horning

Kirk Humphreys

Stan Hupfeld

Carrie Jacobs

Robin Johnson

Gary Jones

Jennifer Monies

Charifa Smith

This highlights newsletter is created for our families, staff, and the community in order to offer timely information related to recent JRCS board actions, discussions, or reports given at the most recent meeting.

These notes are highlights from the meeting listed above and should not be considered officially approved minutes of the meeting.

Additional information about the Board of Directors, links to board policies & bylaws, as well as minutes from previous meetings may be found on our website at www.johnrexschool.org

OKC Quality Schools Appoints New Board Member

The Board welcomed Jennifer Monies as a board member. OKC Quality Schools approved Jennifer Monies as their appointee to fulfill Mickey Clagg's unexpired term on the Board. Her term will expire on June 30, 2020. Jennifer & Paul's son, Callum, will attend John Rex next year. Monies is the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Achieves. She has extensive background in communications, policy development and coalition-building. Monies holds a Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Texas and a Master of Public Administration from the University of Central Oklahoma.



Presentations

Kenneth Dennis presented an update on construction/renovation for the 6th grade classroom space at the Myriad Botanical Gardens. Set up & demo begins April 23, 2018. The project bid was under budget and the completion date is estimated to be July 17, 2018.

Consent Agenda

Minutes from the February 15 regular meeting and March 19, 2018 special board meetings were approved. Financial reports from February and March 2018 were approved. Purchase orders #106-112 were approved.

Discussion & Actions

LIVE STREAMING: The Board discussed live streaming of board meetings on a social media platform. Discussion concluded that board meetings are open to the public and a member of the public may attend and live stream/record the meetings. Therefore, no action from the Board was necessary.

AUDIT: The Board unanimously approved an agreement with Sanders, Bledsoe & Hewett to conduct the annual audit next year.

TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS: The board unanimously approved the temporary appropriations application for FY19.

SOFTWARE AGREEMENT: The board unanimously approved an agreement with Municipal Accounting Systems to continue providing services for our student information system.

Meeting Dates

February 15, 2018

April 19, 2018

June 21, 2018

July 19, 2018

September 20, 2018

November 15, 2018

Public Comments

All meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the public and any regular meeting shall include an opportunity for the public to address the Board.

Presentations under "Public Comments" are limited to three (3) minutes and must be related to an agenda item or topic. Members of the public wishing to address the board must sign up before the meeting. Where several people wish to address the same subject, a spokesperson must be selected. The Board Chairman may interrupt and terminate any presentation that is not in accordance with any of these criteria. Board members may not respond to speakers' comments.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY:

A second draft of the new nondiscrimination policy was presented and discussed. Kirk Humphreys moved to approve the policy. The policy was unanimously adopted. (See copy to the right.)

LIBRARY: Nathaniel Harding led a discussion about school library options at John Rex. The topic was referred to the Education Committee for further exploration of options that might enhance the availability of additional books and other resources for students and teachers.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR SEATS:

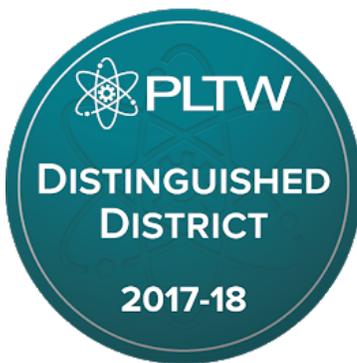
- **OKCPS**- Robin Johnson & Gail Vines are continuing to serve on the board. Although their terms expired June 30, 2017, they continue to serve until action is taken by OKCPS. Seats held by Carrie Jacobs & Justin Ellis will expire June 30, 2018.
- **OKCQS**- Joe Clytus & Nathaniel Harding were renewed by OKCQS at their meeting in February 2018. They will begin new 3-year terms that will expire on June 30, 2021. Jennifer Monies was voted to fulfill the remainder of Mickey Clagg's board term expiring June 30, 2020.
- **Independent** – Cristina McQuiston's term expires June 30, 2018.

HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT:

- PLTW Distinguished District Award: John Rex has been recognized as only one out of thirty school districts in the United States for implementing PLTW's Launch curriculum.
- Dr. Pierce shared information requested about tracking fixed assets and the continued inventorying of materials. The Board requested additional information for the next meeting in order to create guidelines for tracking of assets.
- A group of students represented JRCES at BOK's new Park Plaza branch across the street from the school. BOK presented the school with a \$1,000 donation!
- Active Shooter Training: Reps from the Trooper Leon Bench Foundation recently held a half-day training for the JRCES staff.
- Personnel Report for 2018-19:
 - **Reassignments:** By request, Katelyn Stephenson (to Kindergarten from PreK) and Noell Figueroa (to PreK from 1st)
 - **Resignations:** Klave Gilchrist (K) & Laura Heckenkemper (3rd)
 - **Hiring FY19:** Alyson Hobson (1st), Malory Myers (3rd), David Buteyn (6th), Kamrin Green (6th), Clayton Myers (6th), & Kristie Rodriguez (6th),



NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY			
It shall be the policy of John W. Rex Elementary Charter School and its Board of Directors to prohibit discrimination based on the following grounds:			
Race	Ethnicity	gender identity/expression	veteran status
Color	age	genetic information	citizenship
Religion	sex	socio-economic status	disability
Family or marital status	sexual orientation	any other status covered by applicable law	
In addition to the grounds set forth above, discrimination against a student or applicant for enrollment purposes based on English proficiency, achievement, aptitude, or athletic ability is prohibited.			
This policy shall apply to both members of the Board of the Directors and all employees of the school when they are acting in their official capacities and/or carrying out the duties and responsibilities that are required of them due to their positions with the school. It shall also apply to students as they interact with one another. It shall also apply to volunteers who act on behalf of the school.			



Public Comments

Chris Kavanaugh shared that the JRPTA is hoping to extend its volunteer base by reaching out to more families for greater involvement in school activities. John Beedon spoke to request more parental input into board policy development.