

MINUTES
RIDGEVIEW GLOBAL STUDIES ACADEMY
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 28, 2019

PRESENT The School Board of Ridgeview Global Studies Academy, Inc. met at 6:53 P.M., Monday, January 28, 2019, in the Ridgeview Academy Middle School Conference Room. Present were School Board Members Chairman Tim Alterio, Steve Knapp, Joe Izzo, Ani Ahmetaj, Executive Director Ralph Frier, Principal Sam Johnson, and Assistant Principal Chuck Thacker.

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:53 P.M. Minutes from the October 28, 2018, board meeting were shared with the Board Members and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Steve Knapp and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj. A unanimous vote was taken.

RIDGEVIEW ACADEMY UPDATE
Mr. Frier shared that FTE started today and he is expecting to fill all open positions.

PUBLIC INPUT None at this time.

FINANCIAL UPDATE
Mr. Frier shared the financial report dated December 31, 2018. A motion was made by Joe Izzo and seconded by Steve Knapp to accept the financial report. A unanimous vote was taken.

OLD BUSINESS
An update on the USDA loan was shared by Mr. Frier. The closing was held on December 19, 2018 at CenterState Bank in Lakeland.

Principal Johnson shared information regarding the proposed opening of a 9th grade for the 2019-2020 school year with the Board members. Mr. Frier shared the financial plan for the 9th/10th grade addition with the Board members. Chuck Thacker shared a proposed schedule. A motion was made by Steve Knapp and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj to add the 9th grade for the 2019-2020 school year and a 10th grade for the 2020-2021 school year. The Board stressed the importance of being specific with Ridgeview parents as to the fact that no plans are in play at this time for an 11th and 12th grade to be added.

Mr. Frier shared with the Board that an agreement had been made with our phone supplier at a rate almost half of the original proposal.

NEW BUSINESS
Mr. Frier shared with the Board members that he and Mr. Johnson would be attending a meeting on February 14, 2019 in regards to an ESE due process hearing request.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting of the Ridgeview Board adjourned at 8:34 pm with a motion by Steve Knapp and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: _____
Dr. Beth R. Ricks