

**MINUTES**  
**RIDGEVIEW GLOBAL STUDIES ACADEMY**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**APRIL 23, 2018**

**PRESENT**

The School Board of Ridgeview Global Studies Academy, Inc. met at 6:00 P.M., Monday, April 23, 2018, in the Ridgeview Academy Office Conference Room. Present were School Board Members Chairman Tim Alterio, Steve Knapp, Joe Izzo, Isaac Baumer, Ani Ahmetaj, Executive Director Ralph Frier, Principal Sam Johnson, and Athletic Director David Izzo.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. Minutes from the November 7, 2017 board meeting were shared with the Board Members and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Steve Knapp and seconded by Joe Izzo. A unanimous vote was taken.

**RIDGEVIEW ACADEMY UPDATE**

Ralph Frier shared with the Board that the annual Global Fiesta will be on May 18. He also shared that Ridgeview received a Sam's Club Grant for \$1,500.00. Mr. Frier told the Board that he had received word from the district that Ridgeview would not receive Title I funds for the 2018-19 school year because the requirement had been raised to 69% Free/Reduced lunch for qualifying to receive funds. Ridgeview currently has 66% Free/Reduced lunches. Mr. Frier shared with the Board about the upcoming AdvancED Accreditation visit scheduled for May 7-8.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None at this time.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Executive Director Ralph Frier shared the financial report dated March 31, 2018. A motion was made by Isaac Baumer and seconded by Steve Knapp to accept the financial report. A unanimous vote was taken.

Mr. Frier reviewed the Proposed Budget Revision with the Board Members. A motion was made by Steve Knapp and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj to accept the Proposed Budget Revision, dated April 23, 2018. A unanimous vote was given.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Frier gave the Board a construction update, provided by Ridgeview's onsite project inspector, Tim Howe.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Principal Sam Johnson discussed the proposal for purchasing a new bus for the next school year. After much discussion, a motion was made by Ani Ahmetaj and seconded by Joe Izzo to give Mr. Frier and Mr. Johnson permission to purchase a new bus with a price range from \$102,038.00 for an International bus to \$104,188.00 for a Thomas bus. The range was given so that the purchase could be made from the company that could provide the bus in the time limit needed.

Mr. Frier reminded Board Members about the requirement for taking the 2-Hour Refresher Governance Training.

Mr. Johnson discussed the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act. He stated that he would be participating in an upcoming Safety Training later in April and would update the Board on the requirement at the June Board Meeting.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Steve Knapp and seconded by Isaac Baumer to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of approval for the 2018-2019 Ridgeview School Calendar and the Auditor's Contract for 2017-18. The motion was approved unanimously.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

There was no miscellaneous business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Ridgeview Board adjourned at 7:25 pm with a motion by Steve Knapp and seconded by Isaac Baumer.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Ralph H. Frier, Executive Director