

Roanoke Valley Governor's School Regional Board

DRAFT Minutes of June 5, 2023 Meeting

The Roanoke Valley Governor's School Regional Board met on Monday, June 5, 2023, at 6:30 PM in the Governor's School Lecture Hall. The following Board members were present:

Mrs. Anna Weddle	Botetourt County School Board
Dr. Kevin David	Franklin County School Board
Ms. Laura Leroy	Floyd County School Board
Mr. Mark Cathey, Chair	Roanoke City School Board
Mr. Michael Wray	Roanoke County School Board
Dr. Nancy Bradley	Salem City School Board

Members Absent

Dr. Susan Mele	Bedford County School Board
Mr. Trace Bellasai	Craig County School Board

Also Present

Roanoke City Public Schools Superintendent, Dr. Verletta White, representing the Committee of Superintendents; RVGS Director Mark Levy; Clerk Dawn Winter-Ware; Deputy Clerk Paula Buch.

Call To Order

Mr. Cathey called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Mr. Wray and seconded by Dr. Bradley, the June 5, 2023, agenda was approved as distributed.

Approval of the April 17, 2023 Meeting Minutes

On motion by Mr. Wray and seconded by Dr. David, the April 17, 2023 meeting minutes were approved.

2022-23 Budget Update

Mr. Levy presented Board members with a brief budget update for 2022-23.

State Diversity Report

Mr. Levy presented Board members with the Diversity Report. The report is divided into:

- **Goals:** participating school divisions working toward enrollment from each division mirroring the division's demographic diversity of eligible students.
- **Plan for Progress Toward the Goals:** continuing discussions and review of evaluation and acceptance procedures, particularly with a focus on the application and application process.
- **Current Practice for Screening and Admission of Students:** the screening and admission process with an eye on the recruitment process to ensure a broad range of eligible applicants, particularly first- year students. Detailed information was provided on recruitment and screening practices and evaluation and admission practices completed by the individual participating districts.

Additional racial/ethnic and Socioeconomic information was provided on current RVGS students and applicants by school division.

Director's Report

Mr. Levy provided his report that included a Science Fair update including five students presenting at the Virginia Junior Academy of Sciences in May. Three of the five students received awards.

Mr. Levy provided 2023-24 enrollment information and stated the projected enrollment is approximately 270 students. Onboarding support services will be provided to new students and will include weekly help and check in sessions.

As a few housekeeping items, Mr. Levy said he is happy to state there is no staff turnover to start 2023-24. The Senior Dinner was held at the Hotel Roanoke on May 8 and was well-attended and enjoyed by students, staff and family members. Mr. Levy also provided information on the Class of 2023 and their post-secondary destinations.

Board Discussion Items

Board members expressed appreciation to Mr. Levy for the information presented during the meeting and his leadership in 2022-23.

Superintendent's Discussion Items

Appreciation was expressed to Mr. Levy for his leadership and the information presented during the meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the RVGS Regional Board is scheduled for Monday, October 2, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.