



**RISE High Managers' Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 27, 2017**

Don Brann, Vice President	Matthew Wunder, Chief Executive Officer, Da Vinci Schools
Brian Meath, Treasurer	Chris Jones, Chief Operating Officer, Da Vinci Schools
Jennifer Morgan, Secretary	Eugenio Villa, Chief Financial Officer, Da Vinci Schools
Israel Mora, Manager	Kari Croft, Principal, RISE High
Roger Bañuelos, Manager	Erin Whalen, Vice Principal, RISE High
	Yolanda Saldaña-Bautista, Director of Employee Support Services, Da Vinci Schools
	Carla Levenson, Director of External Relations, Da Vinci Schools
	Steve Rabas, Director of Fiscal Services, Da Vinci Schools
	Alison Wohlwerth, Administrative Manager, Da Vinci Schools
	Tom Johnstone, Superintendent, Wiseburn Unified School District
	Mary Ring, Executive Director, Project Development, Wiseburn Unified School District

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at **8:19 PM** by Mr. Brann.

Public Comments

No comments.

From the Managers

No comment.

From the CEO

No comments.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from February 27, 2017 were approved with no changes.

First: Mr. Meath

Second: Mr. Bañuelos

Motion carries: 5-0

Board Approval

Item # 1 – New teachers at RISE High will not go into the State Teachers Retirement System (STRS), but if a teacher is hired at a later date, and has been in and wants to stay with STRS, that teacher may elect to

be hired by Da Vinci Schools, and then be leased to RISE. The approval item affords flexibility for the employee. Legal counsel has been consulted on this. Once the organization enters STRS, the system is permanent. Mr. Bañuelos asked if the payments to the retirement system are reimbursed by the XQ grant; Dr. Brann reminded him that the grant only covers the first five years' start-up costs. Mr. Villa will share the sustainable RISE High budget he has devised at the next Managers' meeting.

Approved as follows:

First: Mr. Meath

Second: Mr. Bañuelos

Motion carries: 5-0

Item # 2 – The RISE High 2017-18 calendar is a modified year-round calendar to meet the needs of the students. The students in this population need to have somewhere to go during the year, so the calendar is geared for that, while still providing the correct number of teacher work days. The start date is August 17, 2017. Teachers will have a shared Professional Development day with the other Da Vinci teachers. RISE teachers will be receiving extra training and have extra duties, so providing multiple short breaks during the school year is important. There will be nine to ten weeks on and two weeks off. This start-up year has a slightly modified calendar than will be used in subsequent years.

Approved as follows:

First: Mr. Bañuelos

Second: Dr. Brann

Motion carries: 5-0

Item # 3 – The Dream See Do service agreement was discussed. The cost listed in the agreement is for start-up customization, training, and maintenance. Ms. Croft said that this cost was something that they had planned for, knowing that they would require an online interactive platform. Dr. Brann asked about funding received thus far. Dr. Wunder said that a further \$65,000 has been received; Mr. Villa said that \$1.1 or \$1.2 million has been received in total. Mr. Bañuelos asked if XQ Institute requires approval privileges. Dr. Wunder said that the RISE High team has been transparent with them, but their approval is not required.

Approved as follows:

First: Mr. Meath

Second: Ms. Morgan

Motion carries: 5-0

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at **8:39 P.M.**