RISING LEADERS ACADEMY BOARD MINUTES

April 28, 2021 MEETING

Board Members Present via Zoom: Dr. Garman, Dr. Nofal, Mr. Steinbrecher, Mrs. Batrony, Mr. Albibi,

Dr. Mazloum, Mrs. Woods

Administrators Present: Dr. Jaber and Mrs. Perryman

Absent: Dr. Baker, Mr. Zawahery

Call for meeting at 12:00 pm.

Call to approve the minutes for Feb 24, 2021. Motion seconded.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Principal Perryman went over updated CDC COVID recommendations. Social distancing with masks dropped to 3 feet from 6 feet. Next year masks will be optional and all will follow traditional learning. Daily temperature checks will still be taken; however, it will be moved to the school entrance instead of car drop off. The online platform will be kept only as a backup. 85% of RLA teachers have been vaccinated.

Board voted to approve the move to implement the new CDC guidelines and approve the move back to traditional teaching and optional masks.

Dr. Jaber went over the curriculum for next year. A new 5th grade class will be added. Making 2 classes for each of k-5. The school will continue to offer Creativity and music and will be adding a STEM component to be the new STEAM Lab special area. Highschool dual enrollment with GCSC and FSU was renewed. Students will be able to take classes at the campuses in the summer and there will be expanded AP classes. The school is also planning to hire an administrative assistant.

Board Voted to approve the 2021/2022 school year plan.

Principal Perryman notified the board of the school receiving 38,000 RESTART Grant to fund transportation. The funds will be used to purchase a passenger van that can accommodate 15 passengers, which can be used to transport dual enrolled students as well as other uses.

The school also received a grant from RESTART/FEMA for \$125,000. The grant funds will be used to purchase Physical education equipment for the outside field, sod the practice soccer field and provide cafeteria space expansion to include an outdoor covered pavilion.

Board voted to approve the RESTART funding plan.

Principal Perryman gave an update on uniforms- Uniform tops will include various colors, green, yellow, black, white, royal blue and grey. The bottoms for next year will only allow shorts or pants that are either black or khaki.

Board votes to approve student dress code updates.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.