RIDGEWOOD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
Minutes
June 21, 2018-Ridgewood School Association Board Retreat

Attending: Ash Ahmed, Melanie Bisdorf, Deanna Brougher, Doug Deer, Mike Fissell, Corwin Georges, Bonita Heeg, Mel Marsh, Maureen Osseck, Aliya Ranginwala, Melinda Reardon, Chris Reynolds, Margaret Roark, Mark Robertson, Adam Russell, and Mendy Simmons.

1. New member orientation was provided new board members Adam Russell and Melinda Reardon. Subjects covered included: About Ridgewood School, Ridgewood School Finances, Ridgewood School Success Factors, Board Governance, and Board Committees.

2. The following were elected as Ridgewood School Association officers: Mark Robertson, President; Mendy Simmons, Vice President; Corwin Georges, Secretary; and Mike Fissell, Treasurer.

3. Ash Ahmed was recognized and presented a gift for his outstanding service and commitment as president of Ridgewood School Association.

4. Head of School A. Ranginwala presented her goals for 2018-2019. Motion to approve made by D. Brougher; motion seconded by M. Osseck. The motion unanimously approved.

5. The following items were distributed, discussed and if appropriate completed: conflict of interest form, pledge card for donation, confidentiality form, and board member responsibility description.

6. The 2018-2019 Parent/Student Handbook was presented for approval. D. Brougher moved its approval; M. Osseck seconded the motion. The motion unanimously approved.

Head of School Ranginwala will present the Parent/Student Handbook at the Parent’s Open House and encourage parents to read it.

7. The Teacher’s Handbook was presented for approval. D. Brougher moved its approval; M. Simmons seconded the motion. The motion unanimously approved.

8. The Code of Regulations was presented for approval. M. Osseck moved its approval; M. Roark seconded the motion. The motion unanimously approved.

9. Board meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Thursday each month, except in the months of July and December.

10. Board rosters were distributed.
11. The current strategic plan was reviewed noting the many goals completed and goals yet to be completed.


13. B. Heeg reported on Ridgewood’s fundraising efforts. To date approximately $4,174,000 has been pledged!


15. Finance, Governance, Development and Facilities committees met and set plans for the coming year. Committees will continue to meet in July and August and report at the August Board meeting.

16. Meeting adjourned.
President Robertson informed Board members in an email on July 6, 2018 that a motion had been made by members D. Brougher and seconded by M. Simmons to transfer $500,000 from our Endowment Fund to our Construction Account to pay for construction costs.

A quorum of the Board responded and a majority of those voted in favor of the motion.

Voting “yes:” Brougher, Simmons, Roark, Deer, Ahmed, Osseck, and Georges.
Abstaining: A. Russell
Having called the question, Robertson did not vote.

The motion passed and transfer requested on July 8, 2018.