

**MINUTES**  
**RIDGEVIEW GLOBAL STUDIES ACADEMY**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 23, 2023**

**PRESENT**

The School Board of Ridgeview Global Studies Academy, Inc met at 6:00 P.M., Monday, October 23, 2023, in the Ridgeview Academy Secondary Office Conference Room. Present were School Board Members Chairman Joe Izzo, Ani Ahmetaj, Isaac Baumer, Executive Director Ralph Frier, and Principal Sam Johnson.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. Minutes from the August 28, 2023, board meeting were shared with the Board Members and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Isaac Baumer and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj. A unanimous vote was taken.

**RIDGEVIEW ACADEMY UPDATE**

Mr. Johnson shared with the Board about the new Random Search requirement.

**PUBLIC INPUT**      None currently.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Mr. Frier shared the September financial report with the Board. A motion was made by Ani Ahmetaj and seconded by Isaac Baumer to accept the financial report. A unanimous vote was taken.

Mr. Frier gave each Board Member a copy of the 2023 Audited Financial Report. A motion was made by Isaac Baumer and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj to approve the Audited Financial Report. A unanimous vote was taken.

Mr. Frier shared that the FTE for October was 1573 students.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Frier shared with the Board that the Charter Renewal Visit on October 11, 2023, went very well. The representatives from the District were very complimentary and appeared to be impressed with our operation. The Polk County School Board will vote on the renewal in December.

Mr. Johnson shared with the Board that the signs for the entrance to both campuses have been ordered. He also shared that the Scoreboard had been ordered as well.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The School Grade Incentive Bonus was discussed, and a motion was made by Ani Ahmetaj and seconded by Isaac Baumer to give the staff a \$500.00 bonus in December. Bonuses for part time staff members would be prorated accordingly. A unanimous vote was taken.

The Board will revisit the School Grade Incentive in the month of April for another possible bonus.

Mr. Frier shared the need to purchase three new copiers (two for the elementary campus and one for the secondary campus) to replace the ones we had. The new copiers have doubled in price since our last purchase. The cost for the three copiers would be \$69,000.00. Isaac Baumer made a motion to approve the purchase of the new copiers; Ani Ahmetaj seconded the motion. A unanimous vote was taken.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**MISCELLANEOUS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting of the Ridgeview Board adjourned at 7:00 PM with a motion by Isaac Baumer and seconded by Ani Ahmetaj.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** \_\_\_\_\_

Ralph H. Frier