



Rilke Schule Academic Policy Committee Agenda Thursday, 20 March 2025 6:00 PM at Rilke Schule

In accordance with Alaska State Statute, the Rilke Schule APC, under contract with the Anchorage School Board, operates this charter school. The purpose of the Academic Policy Committee is to provide strategic governance for the school and its future. The board meets publicly to conduct the business of the school. The board is comprised of voting and advisory members representing parents, faculty and staff. Parent-elected representatives serve staggered, three-year terms with elections every February. The Academic Policy Committee values public comments and encourages all interested parties to submit written public comments on any subject to apc_rilke@asdk12.org. Fifteen minutes are reserved at the beginning and end of each regular meeting for public comments. *Next scheduled regular meeting: 17 April 2025*

Zoom: <https://asdk12.zoom.us/j/8344978187?pwd=elhaRjZFbjA4U1FpemQxOWl3VnE5dz09>

Meeting ID: 834 497 8187

Passcode: Rilke

Present: Akara Anglin, Jill Doniere, Jessica Frey, Katie Kelly, Jason Hotch, Robin Phillips, Amanda Thompson, Maggie Weyrens

Tardy Excused: Mark Truog

Vision: Rilke Schule students are biliterate, globally aware, and locally engaged.

Mission: Provide a culturally enriched, German immersion learning environment with a focus on academic excellence and student success.

- I. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda and Minutes from 11 March 2025 Special Meeting
 - A. Meeting was called to order by 6:09 PM
Hotch made a Motion to adopt the Agenda and Minutes, Weyrens seconded.
Chair Kelly made a friendly amendment to add under new business scheduling of special meetings.

Roll Call vote:

Robin Phillips: Aye
Jill Doniere: Aye
Jessica Frey: Aye
Maggie Weyrens: Aye
Amanda Thompson: Aye
Jason Hotch: Aye
Katie Kelly: Aye
Akara Anglin: Aye

Motion passes.

- II. Public Comment: *Members of the public are allowed 2 minutes each and comments must specifically pertain to items on this agenda. We respectfully request that commenters refrain from all identifying references to Rilke Schule*

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teachers/staff/students.

Public comments made

III. Partner Organizations

- A. RSV: Frau Brewer. Teacher lunches need volunteers. Kinderlauf is coming up.
- B. RSI: More board members and volunteers needed. Fall clubs are being planned. Jump in German summer camp has increased enrollment.

IV. Reports

A. Schülerrat: Not present

B. Officers:

- 1. Acting Chair Kelly: Communications team work is appreciated.
- 2. Treasurer Truog: Facilities needs have not changed. BSA legislation's end result can help. \$250,000 from savings is currently projected to be utilized by the end of this school year, but other cuts have been made to reduce the current year's overall expenditures.
- 3. Secretary Thompson: Communication news

C. Committees:

- 1. Facilities/Outdoor Chair Hotch
 - a. HVAC on west side of the building is currently not functioning but will be evaluated asap. Auto sensor in parking lot lights not functioning - someone coming to evaluate.
- 2. Strategic Planning Chair Weyrens
 - a. Focus right now is on long term financial sustainability
- 3. Performance Chair Anglin
 - a. APC Evaluation update: Will happen in April.

D. Principal: Herr Strauch

- 1. See principal report. Focus has been on building situation. Administrative costs could increase. 3rd Wednesday of the month is the charter school principal meeting.

E. Teachers: Staff Representative

- 1. Herr Phillips: Water safety training went well. 4th graders will go snowshoeing next week. Art students have art displayed around the city. Herr Honer would like APC guidance on Health curriculum - to follow ASD guidance/follow-up with Herr Strauch

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

A. Seating of Board Members

- 1. Motion by Katie Kelly to seat board members as follows: Chair Jason Hotch, Vice Chair Maggie Weyrens, Treasurer Mark Truog, Secretary Katie Kelly, Facilities Jessica Leystra, Performance Akara Anglin, Strategic Plan Amanda Thompson.
Second: Jill Doniere

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Roll Call:

Jason Aye
Maggie Aye
Mark Aye
Katie Aye
Jessica Aye
Akara Aye
Amanda Aye
Jill Aye
Robin Aye

Motion passes.

B. 2025-2026 Facility options

1. Discussion on most current options: Hotch.

- a. No current lease offer. Any possibility of meeting with ANCCS APC. Ask about the facility/get together? Herr Strauch to reach out to the principal. Motion to have Herr Strauch contact ANCCS facility with ANCCS principal on day to day operations at Abbott Loop and reach out to their APC board to entertain a sit down discussion. Mark Truog Second.
 - a. Discussion: Varied discussion on pros/cons of discussing Lake Hood. Move on to matters at hand. Important in understanding day to day operations. Podcast discussion regarding ANCCS chair willing to talk with our APC. Herr Strauch can discuss operations with ANCCS principal without motion.

Friendly Amendment by Kelly: APC Chair to reach out to ANCCS Chair for potential discussion. Second Anglin

Roll call as amended:

Jason aye
Maggie aye
Mark aye
Katie aye
Jessica aye
Akara aye
Amanda aye
Jill aye
Robin no

Motion passes.

C. APC Communications

1. Update on family and APC outreach: frequent communication with families over past couple of weeks
2. Update on principal outreach and conversations: Lots of advocating

Discussion: Ability for more outreach? Poll for families to see what everyone's thinking. Proud of everything that we done. Katie/Maggie to follow-up

D. Scheduling

When do we schedule special meeting, April 1?

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What needs to happen first?

Communication regarding town hall and APC meeting with links to documents provided during town hall

Parent outreach to get feedback - flyer to go in backpacks and get handed out after school

Will need to see contract from ASD before we can vote

II. Public Comment: comments made

III. Board Member Comments: comments made.

IV. Motion to extend by no longer than 9:30pm by Katie, Second Truog

Jason aye

Maggie aye

Mark aye

Katie aye

Jessica aye

Akara aye

Amanda aye

Jill aye

Robin aye

Motion passes

V. Executive Session for the purpose of discussing facilities affecting the finances of the school. Motion: Doniere Second: Jessica

Jason aye

Maggie aye

Mark aye

Katie aye

Jessica aye

Akara aye

Amanda aye

Jill aye

Robin aye

Motion passes

5 min recess

Executive session started: 815pm

Executive session ends: 9:21pm

VI. Adjournment Motion Jason, Jess Second 09:21 meeting ends

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