

RSA Governing Board:

Jonathan Sheldon, President
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Lane Carlson, Executive Director



Charter schools are governed by boards, not by individual board members. While understanding their separate roles, the Board of Directors and the School Director work together as a governance team in operating Redding School of the Arts. The executive director's insights and expertise are invaluable for the board's decision making, while the board provides oversight, direction, and support to the executive director in their leadership of the school. The governance team assumes collective responsibility for building unity and creating a positive organizational culture in order to govern effectively.

The RSA Governing Board is composed of seven to nine members: a founding member, two Parent Teacher Club (PTC) representatives, and 3 – 5 community members with a variety of expertise which serve the issues facing charter schools in general and issues concerning RSA. Board members will serve two-year alternating terms of office that coincides with the fiscal year. Members may serve more than one term. The Governing Board has primary authority to conduct or oversee all RSA activities and affairs. When appropriate, the Board may delegate some of these responsibilities to one or more committees or individuals. The Board's responsibilities include, among other items:

- Ensure effective organizational planning
- Monitor the charter school's programs and services
- Enhance the charter school's public image
- Assess its own performance

Nominee Qualifications/Eligibility

RSA is dedicated to furthering the interests of the school community. To this end, individuals with leadership, governance and policy-making responsibilities for RSA should be committed to act in the best interests of the school.

To be eligible for appointment on the board of directors as a community member, the requirements are:

- Submit a governing board application
- Have no determined conflict of interest

To be eligible for appointment to the board of directors as a PTC representative the requirements are (within the school year of application submission):

- Attended at least 2 PTC meetings AND
- Volunteered for at least 1 PTC activity AND
- Attended at least 1 Governing Board Meeting AND
- Complete and submit a governing board application
- Have no determined conflict of interest
- Elected at PTC election meeting

All individuals with leadership, governance and policy-making responsibilities who effectively and dutifully serve on the Governing Board, shall:

- Acknowledge the serious responsibility that accompanies participation on the RSA Governing Board of Directors.
- Agree to complete the California Form 700: Statement of Economic Interests
- Agree to sign the RSA Conflict of Interest Disclosure statement.
- Agree to be bound by the RSA Governing Board Code of Conduct and Ethics.
- Not serve in a leadership or policy-making role in an organization whose mission is in conflict with the mission of RSA.

Those interested in serving on the Governing Board or nominating another to serve, should:

1. Submit a current Resume or Curriculum Vitae
2. Submit a short written statement that addresses the questions below
 - a) If you are associated with RSA or another charter school, please describe your relationship
 - b) Highlight your specific education, training, expertise or skills and explain how they will contribute to the position.
 - c) Why do you want to serve on the Governing Board?
 - d) What do you hope to accomplish as a Governing Board member?
3. Provide a brief response to the following questions.
 - a) Trust is a core value for board members. What will you do to promote an increase in trust between students, teachers, staff, administrators, the community and the governing board?
 - b) RSA invites feedback from its stakeholders and partners. As a board member, how would you ensure a fair and honest discussion of all perspectives?
 - c) RSA has learned to be proactive in determining actual or perceived conflicts of interest that may arise before appointing board members. Are you aware of any actual or perceived conflicts of interest that may impact your position as a board member?

RSA's Executive Director will review the applications to ensure that all nominees meet the minimum qualifications. Candidate recommendations will be submitted to RSA's Governing Board for final approval in June.

Nominations and accompanying statements must be received by 5:00PM on May 1st and should be sent to:

Redding School of the Arts
c/o Executive Director
955 Inspiration Place,
Redding CA, 96003
Fax: 530-243-4318

If you have questions regarding the RSA Governing Board of Directors, or the nomination process, please feel free to contact RSA Executive Director at 530-247-6933.