

**MINUTES**  
**Governing Board Reading Edge Academy, Inc.**  
**March 27, 2018 at Reading Edge Academy**

Governing Board Members Roll Call:

Staff Members Roll Call:

Chairman: Arlene Lowery	P	Peggy Comardo, Principal	P
V Chairman: Mike Caldwell	P	Don Comardo	P
Secretary: Lee Anne Carter	P	Debbie Smoak, AP REA	P
Treasurer: Marianne Stanley	Ex	Vickie Foster, AP Samsula	P
Member: Jerry Kruhm	P		
Member: Sandy Kent	P		

- Meeting Called to Order: 5:54 pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Members
  - Marianne Stanley excused
- Financial Report by Marianne Stanley
  - Postponed until next month due to Mrs. Stanley's absence
- Approval of Previous Minutes — February
  - Motion was made by Mr. Kruhm to accept the report. Seconded by Mr. Caldwell. Motion carried 5-0 with Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Lowery, Mrs. Kent, Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Kruhm voting yes.
- Public Participation
  - None
- Assistant Principals' Reports—See reports below
- Principal's Message
  - \$4800 refund from Workman's Comp
  - The City of Debarry will be filming at REA on May 10 at 9 am to promote the school. Board members were invited to attend. The film will be shared on the city's website along with REA website. See attached email for details.
  - Summer Brain Camp will be offered at Samsula Academy. It will be offered to 20 K-2 and 20 3-5 students. Teachers from both schools are interested in teaching the camp. Costs include a \$75 registration fee and \$75 per week. Scholarships will be investigated as needed. It is Monday through Thursday, 8 am until 3 pm, for four weeks. Lower scoring students with the best chance of making progress are the focus group. A motion was made by Mrs. Carter to approve the Summer Camp. Seconded by Mr. Caldwell. Motion carried 5-0 with Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Lowery, Mrs. Kent, Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Kruhm voting yes.

- There have been issues with seals on refrigerators and freezers at Samsula. They have been replaced. The 6-door cooler went down but is currently working. The cost for replacement is being investigated. There was a leaking toilet at REA but it has been fixed. And Massey Pest Control took care of a rat in the copy room at Samsula.
- School Safety was discussed. The following topics were discussed and will be presented later once estimates of costs are available:
  - Doors at both schools
  - Replacing cameras not working
  - New front doors with magnetic locks
  - Clear backpacks
- Old Business
- New Business
  - The board discussed if teachers/employees of Reading Edge Academy Inc. should be allowed to carry firearms on campus as a result of the new law passed by the Florida Legislature, and signed by Governor Scott, after the Parkland shooting in South Florida. The following resolution was voted upon by the board:
  - **The Governing Board of Reading Edge Academy Inc. is opposed to any paid REA personnel possessing or carrying a gun on school property.**
  - Mr. Kruhm made the motion to accept the proposal. Mr. Caldwell seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0 with Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Lowery, Mrs. Kent, Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Kruhm voting yes. This will be shared with the employees at both schools.
- Public Participation
  - None
- Next meeting: April 17, 6:00 pm at Samsula Academy
- Meeting Adjourned: 6:56 pm

Respectfully submitted:  
 Lee Anne Carter  
 Secretary

## Assistant Principal's Report for Reading Edge Academy

Debbie Smoak, AP

March 27, 2018

March 1 - The Ned Show came to REA and presented a program of positive encouragement for test taking and doing your best to all our students. In exchange, we sold yoyos to the students and forwarded \$270 to The Ned Show organization. There was no cost for the program to come to us.

March 5 - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade took the FSA ELA Writing test which will be calculated with their reading scores. We had 3 absent and will do make-ups during the ELA/Reading time in April.

March 7 - Report Cards went home. FSA celebration took place from 10:30-1:00 p.m. Thanks to Rhonda Lochiatto, Instructional Coach, for organizing the activities. She arranged for Kona Ice to come and serve every student a Kona Ice, the mascot from Tortuga's Daytona's baseball team to come and offer a photo shoot with any student, and Michael Main from the local baseball organization to come and talk to the students and encourage them to "Be on their Best Game" for the FSA. We were blessed with multiple helpers/volunteers.

March 9 - Teacher Duty Day - we had a faculty meeting with the main purpose of discussing and reviewing our Active Shooter 2 plan due to the recent activities on some school campuses.

March 20 - Students wore Green shirts to celebrate the first day of Spring.

March 27 and 28 - Personality Pictures will be taken for all students where they can express their personality with various props.

April 1 - the Kindergarten Lotter for the 2018-2019 school year will be done and families will be notified to register their new students.

April 6 - Café is treating the faculty and staff to an appreciation luncheon for our Teacher Appreciation recognition.

April 9 - Begins FSA testing. Each grade level has a different week and subject that will be tested. Parents have been notified of each one.

Enrollment: 310

## Assistant Principal's Report for Samsula Academy

Vickie Foster, AP

March 27, 2018

- 3-5 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade took the FSA State Writing Test
- 3-6 1<sup>st</sup> grade field trip to Lyonia. Spirit Night at Dustin's Bar B Que at both Port Orange and Edgewater locations.
- 3-7 FSA Celebration, Third, Fourth and Fifth grade students had hot dogs outside, a bounce house, arts and crafts, and a kickball game. \* Report Cards went home.
- 3-9 PDD Teachers worked in their rooms until 11 and then we had a faculty meeting.
- 3-12-3-16 Spring Break
- 3-19 No School/ President's Day
- 3-20 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to the Orlando Science Center
- 3-22 Rock wall and 3 inflatables were at school for the Vehicle for Change, an anti-bullying program.
- 3-23 Race party for students who came out during Speed weeks and sold programs. All students were given a trophy and the two top winners received inflatable remote controlled robots. Everyone enjoyed the pizza, cookies, and lemonade that were served.
- 3-24 The Samsula Color Run was held on campus at 9 am. We had a huge turnout and we are waiting for the invoices to come in so we will know how much was raised.
- 3-26 We had 5 teachers write grants to the Kiwanis of New Smyrna
- 3-29 Personality Pictures will be taken
- 3-30 Fourth Grade will go to St. Augustine for their 4<sup>th</sup> grade field study.
- Enrollment: 216