

APPENDIX A1
 RIDGEVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL
 NEED, SURVEYS AND COMMUNITY MEETING

Gaston County Schools continue to show lags in reading and math performance compared to the statewide composite. Although there is a charter school operating in Gaston County, that school is operating at full capacity and has an extensive waiting list for admission. Without additional opportunities for school choice, children are relegated back to a public school system that is still struggling to show achievement gains.

We have been promoting the idea of a public charter school in Gaston County for over a year, dating back to the late summer of 2013. With the revitalization of Gastonia well underway, the possibility of having a high-quality school of choice is appealing to city leaders, developers and community members alike. We have received letters of support from the city manager and others throughout the County and have had several meetings with local leaders, residents and local educators. On September 5th, Ridgeview held a community meeting at the Library in Gastonia. Approximately 30 people attended, all of whom were energetic about a school of choice and very supportive.

In August we distributed a survey designed to collect some basic, critical pieces of information that made it easy for the respondent to complete and submit the completed survey to us. We placed the surveys in local libraries and businesses and, to date, have received 122 responses. We believe that this level of response is indicative of a high level of interest

SURVEY QUESTION	RESPONSE
Would you support a quality school of choice in Gaston County?	120 (Yes), 2 (No)
Do you have Children that will be in Grades K-5 in the Fall of 2016?	79 (Yes), 40 (No), 3 (NR)
Would you be interested in serving as a board member, committee member, volunteer or other role in the planning and opening of a charter school in Gaston County?	77 (Yes), 30 (No), 15 (NR)



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Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Williams
Ridgeview Charter Academy
Charlotte, NC

Dear Reshall and Johnnie,

It has been my pleasure to meet with you and your Board of Directors of Ridgeview Charter Academy regarding the potential of locating the facility at the Historic Loray Mill in Gastonia, NC.

As we have discussed, the single most identifiable issue that Gaston County has faced when discussing positive economic development and residential growth has been education. This problem stems from a time when Gaston County was known as the Textile Capital of the World. Back then, the textile companies created their own micro-economy and lured mountain folk to the area to fill the much needed work force as our country was recovering from the Great Depression and the demand for textiles as a result of World War Two. These companies had a very patriarchal approach with their employees by supplying them with housing in the form of mill villages, community centers and company provided grocery stores. The mentality was that families would always have a place to work through the generations, however with NAFTA and other government rulings, the textile industry relocated to Mexico, South America and the Pacific Rim leaving Gaston County (and many others) with extremely high unemployment and an uneducated work force.

Much of that is changing with the great efforts of Gaston Community College and our community getting behind the certificate program in our high schools with work force development initiatives. It still leaves a great opportunity for your vision of an international curriculum in a structured learning environment for a new Charter School as our community is currently served by one other such facility.

We believe the Loray Mill could serve as a wonderful building complex to house your school. With its own story in textile history, this beautiful 500,000 square foot building is being renovated into a mixed use residential and commercial facility. The owners are investing over \$40,000,000 to bring it back to its original glory with modern utility. We would hope that we can continue discussions with you regarding making the Loray Mill home to the Ridgeview Charter Academy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Robert C. Clay'.

Robert C. Clay, CCIM
Partner

Ridgeview Charter School

Creating lifelong learners, one child at a time

YOUR OPINION MATTERS!

Ridgeview Charter School is a tuition-free public charter school that focuses on delivering a high-quality academic program using a classical approach incorporating International Program Curriculum (IPC), technology literacy, character education, 21st century thinking and study skills at all levels.

Raleigh needs to know that parents in Gaston County want a tuition-free school of choice.

Please show your support by completing this brief survey.

Would you support a quality school of choice in Gaston County? ____Y ____N

Do you have children that will be in grades K-5 in the Fall of 2016? ____Y ____N

If "Yes", how many? _____ What ages? _____

Would you be interested in serving as a board member, committee member, volunteer or other role in the planning and opening of a charter school in Lexington? ____Y ____N

If "Yes" please provide your email address and name below.

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

From: Reshall Williams [mailto:reshallwilliams@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2013 8:33 AM
To: carly.nunalee@prestigeprepschools.com
Subject: Fw: Ridgeview Charter School, letter of support

On Tuesday, December 3, 2013 3:13 PM, "Munn, Ed" <edm@cityofgastonia.com> wrote:
The City of Gastonia has always supported the growth and development of educational opportunities in our community. Public Schools, Private Schools, Church Sponsored Private Schools, Home Schools and Charter Schools are all important parts of the educational system in Gastonia and Gaston County. The proposed Ridgeview Charter School would provide an additional option for parents in our community. The School's interest in possibly locating in Phase 2 of Loray Mill would be a welcomed addition to the redevelopment of the Mill and surrounding neighborhood.

Ed Munn

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RIDGEVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL
SAMPLE SCOPE AND SEQUENCE
MATH

GRADE K

Unit 1:

Counting & Cardinality:
know, count & compare
numbers to 100

Unit 2:

Operations & Algebraic
Thinking; addition &
subtraction to 10

Unit 3:

Number & Operation
in Base 10; begin place
value

Unit 4:

Measurement & Data;
classification & counting
objects in categories

Unit 5:

Geometry; Identify,
describe, compare &
compose shapes

GRADE 1

Unit 1:

Operations & Algebraic
thinking; add & subtract
within 20

Unit 2:

Measurement & Data;
measure lengths, tell time
interpret data

Unit 3:

Number Operations in
Base 10; extend counting
sequence, place value &
property of operations

Unit 4:

Geometry:
Reason with shapes &
their attributes

GRADE 2

Unit 1:

Operations & Algebraic
thinking; extend addition
& subtraction using mental
recall and inverse. Begin
multiplication.

Unit 2:

Number & Operation in Base
10; place value, operations

Unit 3:

Measurement & Data ;
relate addition & subtraction
to length, time & money. Data
interpretation. Identify
sequences.

Unit 4:

Geometry; reason with
shapes. Understand
number/symbol relationship

GRADE 3

Unit 1:

Operations & Algebraic
thinking; multiplication
& division numbers. Factors &
word problems

Unit 2:

Number & Operations in base
10; place value. Operations
with multi digit arithmetic

Unit 3:

Number & Operation/Fraction;
understand fractions as
numbers

Unit 4:

Measurement & Data ;
Solve problems with
measurements. Geometric
data. Use correct instrument
to measure

GRADE 4

Unit 1:

Operation & Algebraic
thought; whole num
operation. Factors & m
ples. Analyze patterns.

Unit 2:

Number & Operation in
10; place value, multi c
arithmetic

Unit 3:

Number & Operation/I
Ordering, decimal nota
and comparison

Unit 4

Measurement & Data
conversion of units. An
Interpret data

Unit 5:

Geometry:
Draw and Identify lines
angles. Classify shapes
lines

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 MATH

	GRADE 5	GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8
ber multi-	<p>Unit 1: Operation & Algebraic thought; write & interpret numerical expression. Analyze patterns</p>	<p>Unit 1 Ratio & proportion; Concept & reasoning Unit 2: Number System; extend multiplication, division & fraction. Rationalize numbers Extend number system</p>	<p>Unit 1 Ratio & Proportional Relationship; Analyze proportion & ratio to solve real world math problems Unit 2: Number System; Extend operations with fractions. Rational Numbers Unit 3: Expressions & Equations; Use operations to generate equivalent expressions. Solve real world problems with algebraic Expressions & Equations</p>	<p>Unit 1 Number System; rational & irrational numbers</p>
n base digit	<p>Unit 2: Number & Operation in Base 10; place value. Multi digit whole number & decimals Unit 3: Number & Operation in Fractions; Add, subtract, multiply & divide fractions Unit 4 Measurement & Data: a; convert like measurements volume Collect & interpret data Unit 5: Geometry; graphing. Real world math. Classify two dimensional figures.</p>	<p>Unit 3: Expressions & Equations; Extend algebraic expression, variable equation & inequalities. Dependent/ independent variables. Basic probabilities. Unit 4: Geometry; real world problems with area, surface area, & volume. Unit 5: Statistics & probability ty; Describe distribution & frequency Statistics & variability. Real world application of likelihood of events occurring</p>	<p>Unit 2: Expressions & Equations; Radicals, integers, linear relationships & equations Unit 3: Functions; define & evaluate functions. Model relationships between quantities Unit 4: Geometry; Congruence & similarity using models & software. pythagorean theory. Real world application with volume, cones, Unit 5: Statistics & Probability; Investigate patterns of association in bivariate data</p>	

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SAMPLE SCOPE AND SEQUENCE
MATH

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2018 – 2019

PROPOSED ACADEMIC CALENDAR

August 13-17, 2018	Staff Development
August 20-24, 2018	Staff Development
August 23, 2018	Parent/Student Orientation
August 27, 2018	First Day of School
September 3, 2018	Labor Day – No School
September 21, 2018	Teacher Work Day – No School
October 26, 2018	End of First Quarter
October 26 & 29, 2018	Teacher Work Days– No School
November 12, 2018	Veteran’s Day – No School
November 21, 2018	Teacher Work Day – No School
November 22-23, 2018	Thanksgiving – No School
December 21, 2018	Teacher Work Day – No School
December 24 , 2018 –January 2, 2019	Christmas Break – No School
January 3, 2019	School Resumes
January 15, 2019	Martin Luther King Day - No School
January 18 , 2019	End of Second Quarter
January 21, 2019	Teacher Work Day – No School
February 8, 2019	Teacher Work Day – No School
March 22, 2019	End of Third Quarter
March 25, 2019	Teacher Work Day– No School
April 15-19, 2019	Spring Break– No School
May 27, 2019	Memorial Day - No School
June 7, 2019	Last Day of School

185 School Days

Make –up Days

September 21, 2018

November 2, 2018

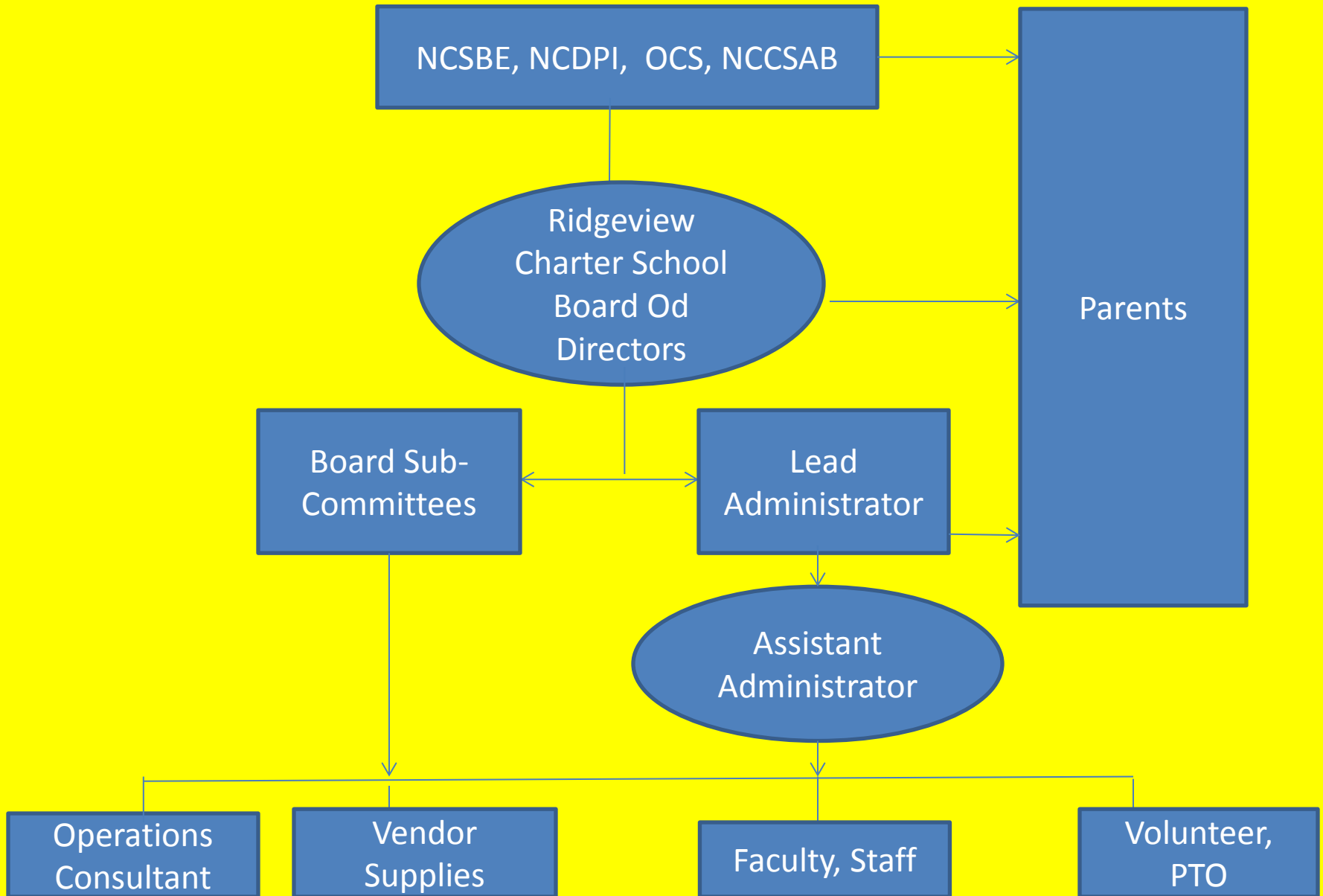
January 21, 2019

October 26, 2018

December 21, 2018

February 8, 2019

Ridgeview Charter School Org Chart



**BYLAWS OF
RIDGEVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL**

ARTICLE I

Offices

1.1 *Principal Office.* The principal office of the Corporation shall be located at 15207 Gathering Court, Charlotte, North Carolina 28278 or at such other location designated by the Board of Directors.

1.2 *Registered Office.* The registered office of the Corporation required by law to be maintained in the State of North Carolina may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office.

1.3 *Other Offices.* The Corporation may have offices at such other places, either within or without the State of North Carolina, as the Board of Directors may designate or as the affairs of the Corporation may require from time to time.

ARTICLE II

Board of Directors

2.1 *General Powers.* The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. Except as otherwise expressly provided by law, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, all of the power of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

2.2 *Number, Term, and Qualifications.* The number of directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be an odd number but not less than three (3) nor more than eleven (11). A simple majority of the initial directors shall serve a two year term and the remainder of the initial directors shall serve a one year term. The determination of which directors shall serve a two year term and which directors shall serve a one year term shall be made after the initial Board of Directors is seated by the Chair. If additional directors are added after the initial Board of Directors is seated, additions will be made in such a manner as to maintain an odd number of directors and to maintain an election cycle in which a simple majority of the Board of Directors is replaced in odd years and the remainder of the directors are replaced in even years. After each director has served an initial term, all terms for that seat on the Board shall be a two year term. Each director shall hold office until such director's death, resignation, retirement, removal, disqualification, or such director's successor shall have been elected and qualified. Directors need not be residents of the State of North Carolina. At least one director shall be the parent of a student attending Ridgeview Charter School, Inc.

2.3 *Election of Directors.* Directors shall be elected at any annual or special meeting of the Board of Directors by a vote of a majority of the directors then in office. The election of directors shall be a part of the order of business at each annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

2.4 *Removal.* Directors may be removed from office at any time with or without cause by the directors by such vote as would be required to elect a member of the Board of Directors.

2.5 *Vacancies.* Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors even though less than a quorum, or by

the sole remaining director. A director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of the respective predecessor in office.

2.6 *Chair.* There shall be a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors elected by the directors from their number at any meeting of the Board of Directors who shall act as the chair and vice-chair, respectively, of the Board of Directors. The Chair, or in his or her absence the Vice-Chair, shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and each shall perform such other duties as may be directed by the Board of Directors. The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be officers of the Corporation. In the event that neither the Chair nor Vice-Chair are present at a meeting, the Board may elect from its number a person to serve as the presiding officer for that meeting.

2.7 *Compensation.* No director shall receive compensation for services as a director of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may provide for the payment or reimbursement of any or all expenses incurred by directors in attending regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors and for expenses related to other business of the Corporation. Nothing herein shall preclude directors from serving the Corporation in other capacities and receiving compensation for such other services provided the arrangement is disclosed to and approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III

Meetings of Directors

3.1 *Annual Meetings.* The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held at 7:00 P.M. on the **first Tuesday of September of each year** for the purpose of electing directors and officers of the Corporation and for the transaction of any other business properly before the Board of Directors. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be a legal holiday, the meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day that is not a legal holiday. If the annual meeting shall not be held on the day designated by these Bylaws, a substitute annual meeting may be called by or at the request of the Board of Directors and such meeting shall be designated and treated for all purposes as the annual meeting.

3.2 *Special Meetings.* Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the Chair or by any two directors then duly seated and serving, and shall be held at such times and places, within or without the State of North Carolina as may be specified in such call.

3.3 *Place of Meetings.* The annual or any special meeting of the Board of Directors may be held at the principal office of the Corporation or at such other place, either within or without the State of North Carolina, as shall be designated in the notice of the meeting or in a waiver of notice of the meeting signed by all the directors then in office.

3.4 *Notice of Meetings.* The Secretary shall give notice of each annual meeting of the Board of Directors by mailing such notice to each director at least ten (10) days before the meeting. Such written notice may be given by electronic communication if the Board of Director member being given such notice has provided electronic contact information to the Secretary provided, however, that such electronic notice must be accompanied by a telephone call on the same day such electronic notice is given. The Chair or other persons calling a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall give notice thereof (or cause the Secretary to give notice) by providing such notice by written or electronic means to each director at least three days before the meeting.

Unless otherwise indicated in the notice thereof, any and all business may be transacted at a meeting of the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided by law or these Bylaws.

3.5 *Waiver of Notice.* Any director may waive notice of any meeting, either before or after the meeting. Written waivers of notice shall be filed by the Secretary with the corporate records or as part of the minutes of the meeting. The attendance by a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

3.6. *Methods of Notification.* Written notice of the time and place of meetings may be delivered by mail, facsimile, or electronic means at the address, facsimile number, or e-mail address furnished by the director. Notice by mail is deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail in a sealed addressed envelope, with postage prepaid.

3.7 *Open Meetings; Public Records.* This Corporation shall comply to the full extent required by the North Carolina Open Meeting and Public Record Laws set forth in Article 33C of Chapter 143 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

3.8 *Quorum.* A majority of the number of directors fixed by these Bylaws shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

3.9 *Manner of Acting.* Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, the act of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors.

3.10 *Presumption of Assent.* A director of the Corporation who is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless said director objects at the beginning of the meeting, or promptly upon his/her arrival, to holding it or transacting business at the meeting, or his/her dissent or abstention from the action is otherwise entered in the minutes of the meeting, or unless said director either files his/her written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or forwards his/her written dissent by registered mail to the Secretary of the Corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. The right to dissent is not available to a director who voted in favor of such action.

3.11 *Informal Action by Directors.* Action taken by a majority of the directors without a meeting is nevertheless action of the Board of Directors if written consent to the action in question is signed by all of the directors and filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors, whether done before or after the action so taken.

3.12 *Means of Participation.* Any one or more, or all of the members of the Board, may conduct or participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors by any means of communication by which all members of the Board participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting. Participation by these means shall be deemed presence in person at the meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

4.1 *Officers of the Corporation.* The officers of the Corporation shall consist of a Chair, Vice-Chair, President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. Other officers, including one or more Vice Presidents (whose seniority and titles, including Executive Vice Presidents and Senior Vice-Presidents, may be specified by the Board of Directors), Assistant Secretaries, and Assistant Treasurers, may from time to time be elected by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices, except Chair, President and Secretary, may be held by the same person. No officer may act in more than one capacity where the actions of two or more officers are required. Board members may serve as officers, but officers, other than the Chair and Vice-Chair, are not required to be Board members.

4.2 *Election and Term.* The officers of the Corporation shall be elected by the Board of Directors, and each officer shall hold office until his death, resignation, retirement, removal, or disqualification or until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.

4.3 *Removal.* Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation will be served thereby.

4.4 *Vacancies.* A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors, by a majority vote for the unexpired portion of the term.

4.5 *Bonds.* The Board of Directors may by resolution require any officer, agent, or employee of the Corporation to give bond to the Corporation, with sufficient sureties, conditioned on the faithful performance of the duties of his respective office or position, and to comply with such other conditions as may from time to time be required by the Board of Directors.

4.6 *Chair; Vice-Chair.* The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. The Vice Chair shall discharge the duties of the Chair in the event of the Chair's absence or disability for any cause whatsoever.

4.7 *President.* The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Corporation and shall be primarily responsible for the implementation of policies of the Board of Directors. The President shall have authority over the general management of the Corporation in accordance with these Bylaws, subject only to the ultimate authority of the Board of Directors. The President may sign and execute instruments in the name of the Corporation except in cases where the signing and the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law otherwise to be signed or executed. In addition, the President shall perform all duties incident to the office of the President and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

4.8 *Vice-Presidents.* Each Vice-President, if any, shall have such powers and duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the Board of Directors. Any Vice-President may sign and execute in the name of the Corporation instruments authorized by the Board of Directors, except where the signing and execution of such documents shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or President to some other officer or agent of the Corporation or shall be required by law otherwise to be signed or executed.

4.9 *Secretary.* The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall keep all minutes of all such meetings in books designated for those purposes. The Secretary shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law. The Secretary shall have charge of the books, records, and papers of the Corporation. The Secretary shall have custody of the seal of the Corporation and see that the seal of the Corporation is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation under its seal is duly authorized, and shall sign such instruments as may require the Secretary's signature. The Secretary shall in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President, by the Board of Directors, or by these Bylaws.

4.10 *Assistant Secretaries.* In the absence of the Secretary or in the event of the Secretary's death, inability, or refusal to act, any Assistant Secretary designated by the Chair, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, shall perform the duties of the Secretary and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Secretary. The Assistant Secretaries shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Secretary, by the President, or by the Board of Directors. Any Assistant Secretary may sign, with the President or a Vice-President, documents authorized to be signed by the Secretary.

4.11 *Treasurer.* The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds and securities, receipts, and disbursements of the Corporation, and shall deposit all monies and securities of the Corporation in such banks and depositories as shall be designated by the Board of Directors, provided that the Board of Directors may appoint a custodian or depository for any such funds or securities, and the Board of Directors may designate those persons upon whose signature or authority such funds may be disbursed. The Treasurer shall be responsible (i) for maintaining adequate financial accounts and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices; (ii) for the preparation of appropriate operating budgets and financial statements; and (iii) for the preparation and filing of all tax returns required by law.

4.12 *Assistant Treasurers.* In the absence of the Treasurer or in the event of his death, inability, or refusal to act, any Assistant Treasurer designated by the President, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, shall perform the duties of the Treasurer, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Treasurer. They shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Treasurer, by the President, or by the Board of Directors.

4.13 *Validity of Signatures.* In case any person whose signature shall appear on any bond, note, or other evidence of indebtedness of the Corporation shall cease to be an officer or hold an office different from that held at the time of signature before the delivery of such instrument, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if he had remained in such office until such delivery.

4.14 *Compensation.* No director or officer shall receive compensation for serving as an officer or director.

ARTICLE V

Committees

The Board of Directors shall establish, from time to time and at its discretion interim, temporary and/or permanent committees to assist in carrying out the business and affairs of the Corporation. The Chair shall establish the membership of each committee in lieu of the Board taking such action by majority vote.

ARTICLE VI

Conflict of Interest

A Director having a conflict of interest or a conflict of responsibility on any matter involving the Corporation and any other business or person shall refrain from voting on such matter. No director or officer shall use his or her position as a director or officer of the Corporation for his or her own direct or indirect financial gain. In addition to the foregoing, the Corporation shall be governed by the Conflict of Interest Policy substantially in the form of Rider 1, attached hereto and which terms are hereby incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

ARTICLE VII

Contracts, Loans, Checks, and Deposits

7.1 *Contracts.* The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, or employee or employees of the Corporation to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

7.2 *Loans.* No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Corporation, and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

7.3 *Checks and Drafts.* All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money, issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents, or employee or employees of the Corporation and in such manner, including facsimile signatures, as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

7.4 *Deposits.* All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

ARTICLE VII

Investment

8.1 *Commitment.* All Board members presently serving shall demonstrate commitment to the mission of the Corporation every calendar year in at least one of the following capacities: (i) Each Board member will serve on a minimum of two committees and attend a majority of the public functions held by the Corporation; (ii) Each Board member will have at least one child or

dependent enrolled at the Corporation; or (iii) Each Board member will commit to and perform an annual contribution of time, talent and treasure. This commitment entails providing a minimum of ten (10) hours or more of professional or personal expertise to the Corporation in areas such as law, accounting, architecture, surveying, curriculum development, college admissions preparation, marketing, medicine or other areas of expertise as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors for the growth and development of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII

General Provisions

9.11 *Seal.* The corporate seal of the Corporation shall contain the name of the Corporation and shall be in such form as approved by the Board of Directors.

9.2 *Waiver of Notice.* Whenever any notice is required to be given to any director by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by these Bylaws, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the director or directors entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be equivalent to the giving of such notice.

9.3 *Indemnification.* The Corporation shall indemnify its officers and directors to the maximum extent required or permitted by Part 5 of Article 8 of Chapter 55A of the General Statutes of North Carolina as from time to time amended, and such officers and directors shall be deemed to have relied upon this Part.

9.4 *Fiscal Year.* The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be as fixed by the Board of Directors.

9.5 *Amendment of Bylaws.* Except as otherwise provided by law, by the Articles of Incorporation or herein, these Bylaws may be amended or repealed and new Bylaws may be adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then holding office at any annual or special meeting of the Board of Directors; provided, however, the substance of the proposed amendment has been circulated in print or by electronic means to each director at least ten (10) days before the meeting at which action is proposed or shall have been waived as provided in these Bylaws.

9.6 *Dissolution.* Upon dissolution of the Corporation, all of the Corporation's assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed as set out in the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation

9.7 *Purpose.* The Corporation is organized exclusively for educational and charitable purposes.

ARTICLE IX

Adoption

These Bylaws become effective immediately upon approval by the original Board of Directors.

Rider 1

**RIDGEVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL
CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY**

**Article I
Purpose**

The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect this tax-exempt organization's (Organization) interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization or might result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

**Article II
Definitions**

1. Interested Person

Any director, principal officer, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below, is an interested person.

2. Financial Interest

A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:

- a. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement,
- b. A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement, or
- c. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement.

Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Article III, Section 2, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

Article III Procedures

1. Duty to Disclose

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors and members of committees with governing board delegated powers considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

2. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists

After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the governing board or committee meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining board or committee members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.

3. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest

- a. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.
- b. The chairperson of the governing board or committee shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- c. After exercising due diligence, the governing board or committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
- d. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the governing board or committee shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Organization's best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.

4. Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy

- a. If the governing board or committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.
- b. If, after hearing the member's response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to

disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

Article IV Records of Proceedings

The minutes of the governing board and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:

- a. The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board's or committee's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
- b. The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

Article V Compensation

- a. A voting member of the governing board who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- b. A voting member of any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization for services is precluded from voting on matters pertaining to that member's compensation.
- c. No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.

Article VI Annual Statements

Each director, principal officer and member of a committee with governing board delegated powers shall annually sign a statement which affirms such person:

- a. Has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy,
- b. Has read and understands the policy,
- c. Has agreed to comply with the policy, and
- d. Understands the Organization is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

**Article VII
Periodic Reviews**

To ensure the Organization operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

- a. Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information, and the result of arm's length bargaining.
- b. Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the Organization's written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

**Article VIII
Use of Outside Experts**

When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Article VII, the Organization may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the governing board of its responsibility for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

ADOPTED this the _____ day of _____, 2013.

RIDGEVIEW CHARTER SCHOOL

By: _____
[NAME], _____

**State of North Carolina
Department of the Secretary of State**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
NONPROFIT CORPORATION**

Pursuant to §55A-2-02 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned corporation does hereby submit these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation.

1. The name of the nonprofit corporation is: Ridgeview Charter School, Inc.

2. (Check only if applicable.) The corporation is a charitable or religious corporation as defined in NCGS §55A-1-40(4).

3. The name of the initial registered agent is: Johnnie Williams

4. The street address and county of the initial registered agent's office of the corporation is:

Number and Street: 15207 Gathering Court
 City: Charlotte State: NC Zip Code: 28278 County: Mecklenburg

The mailing address *if different from the street address* of the initial registered agent's office is:

Number and Street or PO Box: _____
 City: _____ State: NC Zip Code: _____ County: _____

5. The name and address of each incorporator is as follows:

Johnnie Williams, 15207 Gathering Court, Charlotte, NC 28278

6. (Check either a or b below.)

a. The corporation will have members.

b. The corporation will not have members.

7. Attached are provisions regarding the distribution of the corporation's assets upon its dissolution.

8. Any other provisions which the corporation elects to include are attached.

9. The street address and county of the principal office of the corporation is:

Principal Office Telephone Number: 888-619-6688

Number and Street: 15207 Gathering Court

City: Charlotte State: NC Zip Code: 28278 County: Mecklenburg

The mailing address *if different from the street address* of the principal office is:

Number and Street or PO Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ County: _____

10. (Optional): Please provide a business e-mail address: *Privacy Redaction*

The Secretary of State's Office will e-mail the business automatically at the address provided at no charge when a document is filed. The e-mail provided will not be viewable on the website. For more information on why this service is being offered, please see the instructions for this document.

11. These articles will be effective upon filing, unless a future time and/or date is specified: _____

This is the 16th day of October, 2013.

(Optional – Incorporator Business Entity Name)

Johnnie Williams
Signature of Incorporator

Johnnie Williams

Type or print Incorporator's name and title, if any

NOTES:

- 1. Filing fee is \$60. This document must be filed with the Secretary of State.

Ridgeview Charter School, Inc.
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
NONPROFIT CORPORATION

Operation for Approved Tax-Exempt Purpose

Ridgeview Charter School, Inc. will operate a public charter school, as authorized by part 6A of Article 16 of Chapter 115C of the North Carolina General Statutes, for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 55A-1-40(4) of the North Carolina General Statutes and for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended.

Dissolution of Assets

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner or to such organizations organized and operated solely for charitable, religious, educational or scientific purposes. Said organizations shall, at the time, qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any such assets not so disposed shall be disposed of by the Superior Court of Rutherford County, North Carolina, exclusively for such purposes or to such organizations as the Court shall deem appropriate and lawful.

Indemnification Provision

To the fullest extent permitted by the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Act as it exists or may hereafter be amended, no person who is serving or who has served as a director of the Corporation shall be personally liable for monetary damages for breach of any duty as a director. No amendment to these Articles of Incorporation Nonprofit Corporation inconsistent with this indemnification provision shall reduce or eliminate the protection granted herein with respect to any matter that occurred prior to such amendment.

INSURANCE PEOPLE

Below are the **estimated annual premiums** Ridgeview Charter School

Property Premium Estimate **\$1,500**

Contents	\$1,000,000
Deductible	\$1,000
Form	Special
Equipment Breakdown Included	

General Liability Premium Estimate **\$1,543**

Rating Basis:	Students	300
	Faculty	20

Limits:

Per Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000
Annual Aggregate	\$3,000,000
Sexual Abuse & Molestation	\$1,000,000 per occurrence \$3,000,000 aggregate
Employee Benefits	\$1,000,000 per occurrence \$3,000,000 aggregate

School District & Educators Legal Liability (D&O/ E&O)

Premium Estimate **\$4,277**

	\$1,000,000 per occurrence
	\$2,000,000 aggregate
Additional Defense	\$100,000/\$50,000/\$100,000

Named insured includes the insured Organization (School Entity), it's school board, School Committee, Board of Trustees, Board of Governors or similar governing body, elected or appointed members of the Board of Education, Board of Trustees, School Directors, School Committee, Board of Governors or similar governing board, Employees, Student Teachers, School Volunteers, and students while serving in a supervised internship program sponsored by the "educational institution".

Wrongful Act to include any actual or alleged act, error, omission, misstatement, misleading statement, neglect, or breach of duty by or on behalf of the Insured Organization, including educational malpractice or failure to educate, negligent instruction, failure to supervise, inadequate or negligent academic guidance of counseling, improper or inappropriate academic placement or discipline.

INSURANCE PEOPLE

Fidelity Bond Estimate		\$332
Limit	\$250,000	
Auto Premium Estimate		\$2,300
Limit of Liability	\$1,000,000	
Hired & Non Owned Autos Only		
2 Activity Buses		
Head of Class Endorsement		\$82
Workers Compensation Premium Estimate		\$5,140
Statutory State - NC		
Employers Liability	\$500/ \$500/ \$500	
Payroll Estimate	\$850,000	
Umbrella Premium Estimate		\$2,387
Limit of Liability	\$1,000,000	
TOTAL ESTIMATED PREMIUM		\$17,561
Student Accident Coverage		\$7.00/ student

These premiums are subject to change based on Underwriter review and approval of completed applications.

Disclaimer: The abbreviated outlines of coverages used throughout this proposal are not intended to express legal opinion as to the nature of coverage. They are only visuals to a basic understanding of coverages. The policy terms, conditions, and exclusions will prevail. Please read the policy forms for specific details of coverage

Appendix V:

Charter School Required Signature Certification

Note: Outlined below is a list of areas that must be certified by the proposed Board of Directors. Any forms Not Applicable to the proposed charter school indicate below with N/A and provide a brief explanation for providing such response.

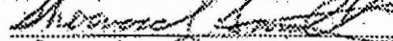
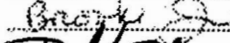


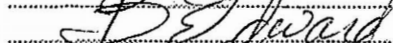

Serving on a public charter school board is a position of public trust and board members of a North Carolina public charter school: you are responsible for ensuring the quality of the school's entire program, competent stewardship of public funds, the school's fulfillment of its public obligations, all terms of its charter, and understanding/overseeing all third party contracts with individuals or companies.

- ❖ The selected Board Attorney that he/she has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the governance documents and liabilities associated with being on the Board of a Non Profit Corporation.

- Name of the Selected Board Attorney: Donna Rascoe, Attorney at Law, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, Glen Lake One, Suite 200, 4140 Park Lake Ave., Raleigh NC 27612

- Date of Review: September 20, 2015

- Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):

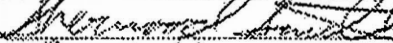


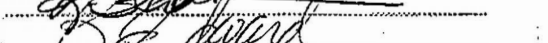
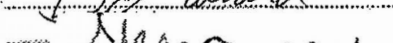

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- ❖ The selected Board Att... that he/she has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the items required for the annual audit and 990 preparations.

- Name of the Selected Board Auditor: Evan Rives, CPA, CGMA, Senior Audit Manager of Rives & Associates, LLP, 212 West Center Street, Lexington, NC 27292

- Date of Review: September 20, 2015

- Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):

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❖ If contracting with a CMO/EMO, that the selected management company has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the items required and the associated management contract and operations.

○ Name of the Contact for Selected EMO/CMO: N/A, RCS has not contracted with a CMO/EMO

○ Date of Review: N/A

○ Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):

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❖ If contracting with a financial management service provider that the selected financial service provider has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the financial processes and services provided.

○ Name of the Contact: N/A, Ridgeview is not currently contracted with a financial management services provider.

○ Name of the Selected Financial Service Provider: _____

○ Date of Review: _____

○ Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):

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❖ If the proposed Board of Directors, listed within the application, is contracting with a service provider to operate PowerSchool that the service provider has reviewed all of the financial processes and services provided.

○ Name of the Contact: N/A, Ridgeview is not currently contracted with service provider to operate PowerSchool

○ Name of the Selected PowerSchool Service Provider: _____

○ Date of Review: _____

○ Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):

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Certification

I, Reshall L. Williams, as Board Chair, certify that each Board Member has reviewed and participated in the selection of the individuals and vendors attached to this document as evidenced by the full Board of Director signatures outlined above. The information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as Ridgeview Charter School is true and correct in every respect.



Signature

September 23, 2015

Date