

RIDGEWOOD LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.
Administration Office
301 S. Oak Street, West Lafayette, Ohio 43845

5:45 P.M. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

All requirements of Section 121:22 of the Ohio Revised Code and Implementing Rules adopted by the Board were complied with for this meeting.

6:00 P.M. REGULAR BOARD AGENDA

PRESIDENT'S PROCEDURES - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Frank Mathews, Board of Education President. Present were: Mr. Folkert, Mr. Gress, Mr. Mathews, Mrs. McCrea and Mr. Riebesell.

1. MINUTES-

- Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 5:45 p.m. Administrative Building (Finance Meeting)
- Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Administrative Building (Regular Board Meeting)

Motion to approve – Mr. Riebesell

Seconded – Mrs. McCrea

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

2. COMMENDATIONS – Congratulations to the following award winners!

- Susan Writing Scholar – Isabella Moore – RHS
- MVESC Outstanding Student – Karie Sells – RHS / Brook Conklin – Cosh. Co. Career Center
- Franklin B Walter and Susan Writing Scholar – Madison Wilkin - RHS
- Franklin B Walter Scholar – Emma Dobbins – Cosh. Co. Career Center

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Mayor Jessie Tubbs attended the meeting and gave the board an update of various events/project taking place in the Village. Mayor Tubbs stated the on 3-25 there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the children and the Village Clean-Up Day is on 4-20. She also gave an update on the sidewalk project and would like to have further discussions on possible placement of a sidewalk for Wall St. Mr. Mathews thanked Mayor Tubbs for attending. He stated that in 20 + years of being a school board member this is the first time he can remember the Mayor attending a school board meeting.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION - (IF NEEDED) The Board of Education enter into Executive Session for:

- Property Sale or Purchase Issues; Conference with the District's Legal Counsel;
- Collective Bargaining Preparations & Sessions; Security Arrangements;
- Matters Required to be Kept Confidential by Federal Law, Regulations or State Statutes;
- Personnel Issues - appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, compensation, investigation of charges or complaint

Motion to enter executive session @ 6:39 p.m. – Mrs. McCreas

Seconded– Mr. Riebesell

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Motion to exit@ 7:42 p.m. – Mrs. McCrea

Seconded – Mr. Riebesell

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

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TREASURER’S REPORT – Jay Tingle, Treasurer

1. **FINANCE REPORT** - for the month of February
2. **BILL PAYMENTS** - for the month of February
3. **SCHOOLWIDE POOL FUND** - At the recommendation of the Treasurer, the Board of Education approved the following transfers to the Schoolwide Pool Fund:
 - 001 to 598-9024 \$ 190,427.89
 - 572-9024 to 598-9024 \$ 35,887.62
 - 590-9024 to 598-9024 \$ 5,479.21
4. **PURCHASE ORDERS** - At the recommendation of the Treasurer, the Board of Education approved the following purchase orders, as presented.
 - Purchase Order #240758 in the amount of \$34,637.00 to Strategic Solutions.

Motion to approve item(s) 1 - 4 - Mr. Riebesell

Seconded – Mr. Gress

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Mike Masloski, Superintendent

PERSONNEL ACTIONS: It is recommended the Board approve personnel actions as follows:

(All new hires are pending successful FBI and BCI background reports, drug screening and proper certification)

1. **CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTE** - At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following as a classified sub for the RLSD, as presented.
 - Independence Rose
2. **2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR** – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the proposed 2024-2025 School year calendar, as presented.
3. **COLLEGE CREDIT PLUS** – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the College Credit Plus agreements with the following Colleges and Universities for the 2024-2025 school years, as presented.
 - Kent State University
 - Zane State College
 - Kenyon College
 - Stark State College
 - Muskingum University
4. **VOLUNTEERS** – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following volunteers to read at RES, as presented.
 - Theresa Drummond
 - Linda Ondayko
5. **SUMMER HELP** - At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following as 2024 summer help workers, as presented.
 - Kaleb Schrock (eff. May 1, 2024)

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6. POLICY READING – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the first reading for changes to Board Policy, as presented.

<u>I</u> <u>T</u> New-Revised- Deleted-Replaced	Policy #	Title
<u>S</u> Revised	2623	Student Assessment and Academic Intervention Services
<u>U</u> Revised	2623.02	Third Grade Reading Guarantee
<u>P</u> Revised	3120.04	Employment of Substitutes
<u>P</u> <u>O</u> Revised	3140	Terminations and Resignations
<u>R</u> Revised	4124	Employment Contract
<u>T</u> Revised	4140	Terminations and Resignations
Revised	5310	Health Services
Revised	8600	Transportation
<u>A</u> Revised	8600.04	Bus Driver
<u>t</u> Revised	8640	Transportation for Non-Routine Trips
Revised	8650	Transportation by Vehicles Other Than School Buses
Revised	8660	Incidental Transportation of Students by Private Vehicle

7. TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT – The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve the following transportation / payment in lieu agreement for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented.

➤ Andrea DiMinno - \$1.00 per mile (eff. Jan. 18, 2024)

8. SOLAR ECLIPSE CALAMITY DAY - The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve a district wide closing on April 8, 2024 for students, staff and facilities. RLSD employees ARE NOT to report to work but will be given work credit to meet negotiated agreements and employment contract requirements, as presented.

Motion to approve item(s) 1 - 6 - Mrs. McCrea
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded – Mr. Riebesell

Motion to approve item(s) 7 - Mr. Riebesell
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded – Mr. Gress

Motion to approve item(s) 8 - Mr. Riebesell
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded – Mr. Folkert

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BOARD ITEMS:

1. From information (attached handout) at the Finance Committee meeting, Mr. Mathews suggested that the appropriate notices be submitted to explore in moving additional inside mills. After additional discussions, the board agreed to proceed with the exploration.
2. Mr. Mathews stated that he asked Mr. Tingle when the district's final debt payment for the high school building project. Mr. Mathews said he was told Dec of 2024 and with that information he would like to put together a "Mortgage Burning" for the December 2024 Board Meeting.
3. Mr. Riebesell asked Mr. Masloski about AI and how it will be used in education. Mr. Masloski stated that the first goal is to make sure that students and staff are comfortable using it and to make sure that the appropriated uses are communicated. He also stated that AI assistance is only as good as the data input.
4. Mrs. McCrea stated that the Alumni Banquet is set for June 1st at RMS.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

DATE: Thursday, April 18, 2024
TIME: Regular Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.
PLACE: Administrative Building

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn @ 7:42 p.m. - Mr. Gress
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded – Mr. Folkert

Mr. Jay Tingle, Treasurer

Mr. Frank Mathews, Board President