

**RIDGEWOOD LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MINUTES**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024 – 7:00 A.M.

**Ridgewood Elementary School
225 W. Union Ave., West Lafayette, Ohio 43845**

6:45 A.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.

7:00 A.M. REGULAR BOARD AGENDA

PRESIDENT’S PROCEDURES – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Mr. Frank Mathews, Board of Education President. Present were: Mr. Folkert, Mr. Gress, Mr. Mathews, Mrs. McCrea and Mr. Riebesell.

1. MOVE ADDENDUM TO AGENDA – (IF NEEDED)

TREASURER’S ITEM:

Correction # 5 – Donation received from ~~Erik & Stephanie Kelley~~ Carter Kelley

Motion to approve - Mr. Gress

Seconded – Mrs. McCrea

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

2. MINUTES-

➤ Thursday, September 18, 2024 at 6:45 a.m. Administrative Building (Finance Meeting)

➤ Thursday, September 18, 2024 at 7:00 a.m. Administrative Building (Regular Board Meeting)

Motion to approve - Mrs. McCrea

Seconded – Mr. Riebesell

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -

➤ Bethany Clark, 20766 Morgan Run Road – Interactive Mental Stimulation Playground Equipment (Notes Attached)

4. COMMENDATIONS –

➤ Congratulations to the Girls Golf Team on a great season.

➤ Congratulations and a Sincere Appreciation to Shannon Folkert, Hailey Evans, Heather Kinsey and Bryan Raach for a job well done on the Friday Night 5G Lights Football Grant.

5. ADMINISTRATORS –

➤ Mike Masloski – State Report Card & Janusian Club Letter (Information Attached)

➤ Nate Carpenter – RES Playground (Presentation Attached)

6. 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 @ 7:49 a.m. - Mrs. McCrea Seconded – Mr. Riebesell

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Motion to exit@ 8:44 a.m. - Mrs. McCrea

Seconded – Mr. Folkert

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

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TREASURER’S REPORT – Jay Tingle, Treasurer

1. FINANCE REPORT - for the month of September
2. BILL PAYMENTS - for the month of September
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 598-9025 \$ 205,258.40
 - 572-9025 to 598-9025 \$ 33,140.83
 - 590-9025 to 598-9025 \$ 5,040.05
4. PURCHASE ORDER(S) - At the recommendation of the Treasurer, the Board of Education approved the following purchase orders, as presented.
 - Purchase Order #250411 in the amount of \$65,000.00 to East Side Jersey Dairy Inc.
5. DONATION(S) - At the recommendation of the Treasurer, the Board of Education approved the following donations.

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>DONATION</u>
West Lafayette Lions Club	RLSD – FFA (Ireland Trip)	\$307.26
West Lafayette Lions Club	RLSD – Blessing Bags	\$1,000.00
Carter Kelley	RLSD – Blessing Bags	\$ 353.00

Motion to approve item(s) 1 – 5 - Mr. Riebesell Seconded – Mrs. McCrea

Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Mike Masloski, Superintendent

PERSONNEL ACTION(S): 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. MINIMUM WAGE - At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the change of minimum wage effective January 1, 2025.
 - Minimum Wage From: \$10.45/hr. To: \$10.70/hr.
2. CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following classroom volunteers, as presented.

Jim Bouscher – classroom	Nick Hatfield – RMS Wrestling	Kayla Crozier – RHS girls Basketball
Beverly Bouscher - classroom	Dustin Angle – RHS Wrestling	Trey Stoffer – RHS Boys Basketball
Ron Bond - classroom	Wendy Croy – RHS Girls Basketball	Jesse Smoulder – RMS Boys Basketball

3. CLASSIFIED STAFF – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following hire as district maintenance, as presented.
 - Travis Goodwill - (Step 1) effective 10/21/2024
4. STUDENT WORKER – At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following as a student worker at the RHS, as presented.
 - Cyrus Hardesty

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5. **SUPPLEMENTAL(S)** - At the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approved the following supplementals for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented.

Athletics	
Troy Dolick – Head Boys Coach	John Slusser – Head Girls Basketball Coach
Tyler McCullough – JV Boys Coach	Travis Smmons – Girls JV Coach
Ryan Lowe – Boys 9 th grade coach	Amber Bates – Girls 7 th grade Coach
Jesse Smoulder – Boys 8 th grade coach	Dustin Angle – RHS Asst. Wrestling Coach
Kevin Davis – Boys 7 th grade coach	Leroy Bethel – RMS Wrestling Coach
Lori Buchanan – RHS Girls Track Asst. Coach	

Motion to approve item(s) 1 – 5 - Mr. Gress
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded – Mrs. McCrea

LEGISLATIVE:

1. Mr. Masloski - SB 29 and how it relates to the district’s technology and student privacy. He said that additional information will be following from the State to clean up language that is contradictory.

BOARD ITEMS:

1. OAPSE Grievance – Mr. Mathews recommended that the grievance filed by OASPE be denied by the Board of Education. The district was unable to find a substitute worker to work the second shift schedule. Had the district permitted the change in shift time while still covering the second shift, the end result would have ended in overtime pay. Article 16 (B)(2) of the negotiated agreement states, “Current bargaining unit members will be given first opportunity to substitute in their classification within their assigned building provided it does not result in overtime pay.” While the grievance filed mentions “bargaining unit members will be given first opportunity to substitute in their classification”, it failed to mention the part of the paragraph that states “provided it does not result in overtime pay.” Therefore, there has been no violation, misinterpret or misapplication of the terms of the negotiated agreement.

Motion to approve item(s) 1 - Mr. Gress
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded – Mrs. McCrea

2. Mr. Mathews state that the most recent OHSAA meeting, discussions were on player eligibility where a student attend a private school and they do not have an athletic team that student can participate with their local school district. Additional talks are occurring where a student transfers claiming “bullying”. The incoming schools Superintendent is able to accept the transferring student while no input is given from the Superintendent where the bullying occurred.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

DATE: Friday, November 15, 2024
TIME: Regular Board Meeting 7:00 A.M.
PLACE: Ridgewood Middle School

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn @8:50 a.m. - Mrs. McCrea
Roll Call: Five Affirmative votes

Seconded– Mr. Gress