

RILEY COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL
District 18
9406 Riley Road
Marengo, IL 60152

Wednesday, October 14, 2015
7:00 PM

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

School Board Members Mitchell, Northcutt, Olsen, Aubry, Millard, Coffman and Nordmeyer answered roll call at 7:00 PM. Also in attendance were Mr. Davis, Mrs. Conkling, Mrs. Schnable and Mrs. Andrews. Members of the public present were Mrs. Nordmeyer, Ivan, Conner and Kurt Nordmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Heath Tock, Madison and Morgan Tock and Bradley & Bradley Architects were represented by Usha Sundaram and Phil Fadden.

Those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no additional agenda items.

There was one Freedom of Information request. The Better Government Association requested a copy of all current contracts for teachers and administration, a copy of the current school budget and a copy of the payroll showing names, job titles and salaries.

There were no Board of Education Executive Session Tape Recordings with 18 month longevity for destruction.

There were no questions on the Financial Report for September 2015.

There were no questions on the Treasurer's Report: Bills Payable October 2015.

There were corrections to the Regular Board Meeting and Special Board Meeting minutes for October 16, 2015 and October 29, 2015. The time the meeting adjourned was left off for the October 16, 2015, Regular Board Meeting and the date was incorrect for the October 29, 2015, Special Meeting. Both will be corrected and signed at the November 18, 2015, Board of Education meeting. The Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting were amended to include the time the meeting adjourned (8:15 P.M.). The minutes of the October 29, 2015, Special Board of Education meeting were amended to include the correct date of the meeting (October 29, 2015). The minutes were approved as amended.

There is work to be done on the bleachers after receiving the BR Bleacher Safety Report from September 9, 2015. The school will be working in house to make the repairs.

Member Aubry made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Member Millard seconded the motion which carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Nordmeyer –AYE
Member Coffman – AYE
Member Millard – AYE
Member Aubry – AYE

Member Olsen - AYE
Member Northcutt - AYE
Member Mitchell - AYE

VIKING AWARD

September's Viking Award winners were 8th graders Madison Tock and Conner Nordmeyer. The Board offered their congratulations and encouraged them to keep up the good work. Principal Conkling received many wonderful comments for both students.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Mr. Davis introduced Phil Fadden and Usha Sundaram of Bradley & Bradley.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Davis confirmed that Member Mitchell and Member Millard will be attending the October 22, 2015 Kishwaukee Regional Dinner Meeting at Hampshire High School.

Mr. Davis handed out copies of the Annual IASB Report to all Board Members and asked that everyone look through and review the information. Member Coffman, Member Nordmeyer and Mr. Davis will be attending the convention in Chicago.

Copies of the "Extra Mile" Newsletter were handed out for review. Information in this newsletter includes current issues/events being debated and discussed.

Mr. Davis handed out copies of the American School Board Journal, October 2015, for Board Members to review.

The 2012 Board Goal Chart was included in the packet. Mr. Davis asked if there were any different suggestions or ideas to include now that there are three new members on the Board.

IASB is offering a complimentary Starting Right Workshop for Board of Education members. All Board members would need to be present for the workshop. A tentative date in January was discussed to have the workshop. Mr. Davis will work to set a meeting date which should include some discussion on School Board Goals.

Options were discussed on removal and replacement of the Iron Removal System. Two people are coming in to discuss with Mr. Davis and give options. Mr. Davis will know more about the options once he talks with each of them.

Member Aubry has completed his School Board Meeting training. Mr. Davis advised new members to complete the training as soon as possible.

Mr. Davis invited Phil Fadden of Bradley & Bradley to attend the meeting tonight to participate in the preliminary discussion of removing two temporary, portable building units and construction of a new building. Mr. Fadden provided copies of the proposal for building a new building. Mr. Fadden advised that they can reuse the design drawings from when the Junior High was built, however, some building codes have been changed and construction costs have sky rocketed. He went through the different options and regulations that are available including significant changes to storm shelter and sprinkler system regulations the State has put in place. Other options/regulations Mr. Fadden discussed were a basement versus a storm shelter on the main level, a separate stand-alone building, addition to one of the current buildings, new mobiles and sprinkler systems. After discussing all options, the building committee will meet to break down the options. The committee will report back to the full Board in November.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Riley School held their supervised, monitored fire drill with the Marengo Fire Department. The fire department is always amazed at how fast we exit the building. Dates for the supervised lock down drill are still being worked on.

Riley School's 36th Annual Pumpkin Run is scheduled for Thursday, October 15th. Pumpkins for the event were hand-picked by the staff this year. The RPA's Hall of Harvest will be October 23rd for grades Kindergarten through Fifth from 6:30-8:00.

The National School Lunch Program requires Riley School to complete and submit a report that shows lunch fees against what they cost and then compares it with free & reduced lunch to calculate if the school needs to charge more for each lunch. Mrs. Conkling and Mrs. Schnable went through the report with the State and it shows that Riley School should be charging \$2.70 for each lunch, however; the school is only required to raise the rate by \$0.10 per year. The new lunch rate will be \$2.35 per lunch effective November 2, 2015. Riley School must comply with this State regulation or the State could pull funding. A note on the increase will go out in the November issue of News Notes.

Mrs. Conkling advised there are a lot of audits this year such as Title 1, Title 2 and Nutrition. We send the information to the State for the audits. They are not on-site audits. The audits normally run in five year cycles.

Mrs. Conkling stated there have been a lot of issues with the adoption of the new math curriculum. Parents are having a hard time comprehending the new standards, and there have been some errors in the curriculum and text books from the company and it is a very different instructional model from the old standards. The six teachers who received smart boards this year are using and loving them in the classroom.

November 11, 2015, is the Veteran's Day assembly at the high school.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The carbon monoxide detectors have been installed. The devices all have hardware and are not battery operated.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

OLD BUSINESS

Member Aubry made a motion to approve the second reading of the Board Policy: 2:10, 2:20, 2:30, 2:40, 2:50, 2:60, 2:70, 2:70-E, 2:80, 2:80-E, 2:90, 2:100, 2:105, 2:110, 2:120, 2:120-E1, 2:120-E2, 2:125, 2:125-E1, 2:125-E2, 2:130, 2:140, 2:140-E, 2:150, 2:150-AP, 2:160, 2:160-E, 2:170, 2:170-AP, 2:180, 2:190, 2:200, 2:200-AP, 2:210, 2:220, 2:220-E1, 2:220-E2, 2:220-E3, 2:220-E4, 2:220-E5, 2:220-E6, 2:230, 2:240, 2:240-E1, 2:240-E2, 2:240-E3, 2:250, 2:250-AP1, 2:250-AP2, 2:250-E1, 2:250-E2, 2:250-E3, 2:260, 2:260-AP1 and 2:260-AP2

Member Nordmeyer seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Northcutt made a motion to approve the audit. Member Aubry seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Coffman made a motion to approve IDEAL to provide an "Asbestos Plan" to remove asbestos in building tunnels. Member Northcutt seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Northcutt made a motion to approve the fee of \$3,500 to provide Ten Year Life Safety by Bradley & Bradley Architects. Member Nordmeyer seconded the motion which carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Northcutt – AYE
Member Olsen – AYE
Member Coffman – AYE

Member Nordmeyer - AYE
Member Millard - AYE
Member Mitchell - AYE

Member Olsen made a motion to approve the 2015 Crisis Management Plan. Member Northcutt seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Northcutt, as a member of the Policy Committee, made a motion to approve the first reading of the Board Policy: 2:250, 3:40, 3:50, 3:60, 4:45, 5:40, 5:120, 5:180, 5:270, 5:290, 5:330, 6:15 and 6:40 which carried unanimously.

Member Olsen made a motion to table the approval of preliminary plans for construction to replace two temporary buildings until the November Board of Education meeting. Member Nordmeyer seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Olsen made a motion to enter Closed Session at 9:34 P.M. for the purpose of Personnel. Member Northcutt seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Coffman made a motion to return to Open Session at 9:41P.M. Member Olsen seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT’S CALL FOR ANY COMMENTS:

Member Northcutt asked if we have looked into replacing the bleachers. Mr. Davis said that due to new codes and regulations, attempting the repairs in house to the current bleachers is the best option at this time.

The next Board of Education meeting will be November 18, 2015, at 7:00 PM.

Member Nordmeyer made a motion to adjourn at 9:44 PM. Member Coffman seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Andrews, Riley School Secretary

Mrs. Anita Mitchell – President

Mrs. Tamela Olsen - Secretary