

RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

Regular Ringgold Board of School Directors' Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Ringgold Board of School Directors, for General Purposes, was held at 7:00 P.M. Notices of this meeting were sent to all Board Members and it was properly posted and advertised. The meeting was called to order by President William Stein Jr. and the following Board Members were present/participating to the call of the roll. *All Members attended the meeting live and the community was given the information to join on a virtual platform.

II. ROLL CALL

President
First Vice President
Second Vice President

Mr. William C. Stein, Jr.
Mr. James R. Dodd
Mrs. Sherrie L. Garry
Ms. Harley Bobnar
Mrs. Carol F. Flament
Mr. Jason H. Gerard
Mr. Gene R. Kennedy
Mr. Lawrence L. Mauro
Mrs. Maureen A. Ott

Also Present/Participating

Acting Superintendent
Board Secretary
Solicitor
Recording Secretary
Administrator on Special Assignment

Mr. Randall S. Skrinjorich
Mr. Timothy R. Berggren
Mr. Anthony Piscioneri
Dr. Cathy Taschner

III. ACTING SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – MR. SKRINJORICH

Mr. Skrinjorich started by thanking everyone in the RAMS community for their efforts to get everyone back in the educational setting. Mr. Skrinjorich went on to thank all staff for their parts in the reopening of schools. He also indicated that he will be asking parents soon for their feedback on their child's school option choice for the next nine weeks. Mr. Skrinjorich went on to discuss the changes in the athletic attendance procedures and that Ringgold is working on those procedures to allow spectators.

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Dodd, to accept the following minutes as presented:

A. Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, August 19, 2020

VI. MON VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER REPORT - MR. KENNEDY

Had a principal turn in their resignation.

VII. INTERMEDIATE UNIT I REPORT –MRS. OTT

No Report

VIII. SHASDA REPORT – MRS. OTT

No live meetings until 2021

IX. PSBA REPORT – MRS. OTT

Virtual advocacy day will be held on October 8, 2020

X. SOLICITOR'S REPORT - MR. BERGGREN

Mr. Berggren stated that he had nothing to report publicly.

XI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - MR. STEIN

Mr. Stein would like to follow and echo Mr. Skrinjorich and his comments about the staff, he mentioned that the staff is unbelievable and that the staff is going above and beyond.

Mr. Stein announced that the Board met in Executive Session prior to tonight's meeting, to discuss the following:

- A. Personnel
- B. Settlement of a Tax Claim matter
- C. Receive information from Administration and Solicitor

XII. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Chantel Bay – Topic: Ms. Bay indicated teachers and faculty has done an amazing job. She indicated that she has an outreach center and parents need to get lunches for their children that are option 2. Ms. Bay indicated that she is willing to open up her site to get lunches to these students.

Alexis Trubiani – Topic: Ms. Trubiani challenged the board to walk through RESS she indicated that they will see desk in the halls and desk in the cafeteria. She indicated that she contacted 31 other school districts in western PA and no other school has children eating lunch in the halls. You will also see overcrowded classrooms. The teachers and aides are doing wonderful but questions to see if the Health and Safety Plan is being met. Would also like to see homework and communication from the administration.

Amanda Butler – Topic: Ms. Butler voiced concern over the boys' basketball coaching position. Knows the position has been open since July and wants to know why the coaching position has not been filled. There needs to be a coach in this position.

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Business And Financial Services - Chairperson: Mrs. Flament - Co-chairpersons: Ms. Bobnar, Mr. Gerard and Mrs. Ott

1. Treasurer's Reports

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to accept the Treasurer's Reports as presented. A copy of the Treasurer's Reports can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages 38510-38516.

2. Payment of Bills

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to accept the Bills as presented. A copy of the Bills can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages 38517-38534.

Mrs. Flament announced that as everyone had been provided with a copy of the Board agenda and the addendums, and had the opportunity to review each motion, she made a motion to approve items 3 through 7 as stated below, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Garry. The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved the following motions.

3. **Approval of Contract with Southwood Psychiatric Hospital**

To accept and approve a motion for Special Education Services from Southwood Psychiatric Hospital for the 2020/2021 school year.

4. **Agreement with the Watson's Institute**

To enter into an agreement with The Watson's Institute for special education services for the 2020/2021 school year.

5. **Agreement with Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU)**

To enter into an agreement for Vision Services between the Ringgold School District and the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) for the 2020-2021 year.

6. **Payment to East West Manufacturing & Supply Co., Inc.**

To approve a payment to East West Manufacturing & Supply Co. Inc. approved by the architects HHSDR, in the amount of \$34,258.50 for the cooling tower replacement at Ringgold High School. Payment of invoice #8 will be made from the Capital Reserve Fund.

7. **Application for Participation in the CEEG Grant Program**

To approve a motion to support the Ringgold School District's Grant application to the CEEG related to technology needs identified by the Ringgold School District.

B. **Personnel And Administration – Chairperson: Mrs. Ott Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Flament, Mrs. Garry And Mr. Dodd**

1. **Acceptance of Resignations**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to accept the following resignations:

Darlyn Cinciripini – Paraprofessional for the Ringgold School District effective August 27, 2020.

Kurt Olinger – Health and Physical Education/Social Studies Teacher for Ringgold High School effective on or before the completion of the 60 day hold period.

Sharon Geary – Business, Computers and Information Technology Teacher for Ringgold Middle School effective on or before the completion of the 60 day hold period.

Jessica Smith – Title 1 Paraprofessional for Ringgold Elementary School South, effective September 14, 2020.

Tyler Marraccini – Custodian for the Ringgold School District, effective September 8, 2020.

2. **Employment of Personnel**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Flament, to employ the following individuals, pending proper documentation:

Robert Manko as a Custodian at Ringgold Middle School effective October 5, 2020.

Courtnee Snyder as a 5.5 hr. Utility worker at Ringgold Elementary School South effective September 17, 2020.

Vicki Ellsworth as a 6.5 hr. Cook/Baker worker at Ringgold High School effective September 17, 2020.

3. **Additions to the Substitute Rosters**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission to add the following persons to the substitute rosters, subject to receipt of proper clearances and documentation and start date to be determined by the Acting Superintendent:

Custodian

Paula Englert Monongahela, PA

Teacher

Richard Fine Eighty Four, PA

Certification

Biology 7-12

4. **Granting Teacher Tenure**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to grant tenure to the following teacher:

Erica Genchur

5. **Selection of Voting Delegate to the PSBA Delegate Assembly Meeting**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Flament, naming Mrs. Maureen Ott as Voting Delegate for the PSBA Delegate Assembly Meeting (virtual) of November 7, 2020.

6. **Appointment of Extracurricular Position**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, granting permission to appoint the following extracurricular position. In the event that the COVID-19 or similar pandemic forces the cancellation of all or part of the extracurricular activity/season, the individuals will be paid at a prorated amount. The compensation shall be prorated based on the number of days that the extracurricular activity/season is actually active, and the number of days from the first official day of the activity, as determined by the District, to the last permissible date of the extracurricular activity/season. In the event that the extracurricular activity/season is cancelled in its entirety, the individual shall receive no compensation for that year.

Rachel Fike –Special Education Lead Teacher \$1,510.00

7. **Police officer and Permission to Petition the Court of Common Pleas**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Flament, to add Thomas Yonek as a Ringgold School District Police Officer and authorizing and directing the Superintendent and Solicitor to take the action necessary to petition the Court of Common Pleas to have Mr. Yonek appointed as school police officer for the Ringgold School District.

8. **Annual Salary Increases**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Ms. Bobnar, to approve annual salary increases of the District's Act 93 Administrators and the Individual Contracted Administrators for the 2020-2021 school year based upon their evaluations and as discussed in executive session.

C. **Curriculum, Education & Technology – Chairperson: Mr. Mauro Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Bobnar, Mr. Gerard and Mrs. Garry –**

D. **Athletics – Chairperson: Mrs. Garry Co-chairpersons: Mr. Gerard, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Mauro**

1. **Appointment of A Coach**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mr. Gerard, to appoint the following coaches. Coaching appointments are subject to contract documents prepared by the Administration and Solicitor. Individuals are required to sign a contract and the Coach's Code of Ethics and Conduct documents as a condition of their employment. All clearances and a drug test are mandatory and have been received.

Fall Coaches

1. Football
 - a. Easton Fine – Assistant Varsity Coach at a salary of \$4,000.00 (contract follows head coach)
 - b. David Martin – Assistant Middle School Coach at a salary of \$1,500.00 (annual contract)
2. Competitive Spirit
 - a. Katlyn Salaske – Assistant Varsity Coach at a salary of \$1,400.00 (contract follows the head coach)
3. Football
 - a. James Lacko – Head Middle School Coach at a salary of \$1,750.00 (annual contract)

2. **Resignation of a Coach**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept the following resignation:

Jordan Henderson, Assistant Varsity Competitive Spirit Coach – effective August 25, 2020

3. **Salary Adjustment and Promotion for a Coach**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mr. Gerard, to approve the following salary adjustment and Promotion be made effective for the 2020-2021 season.

1. **Megan McKinney**, Assistant Competitive Spirit Coach – adjusted from \$1,400.00 to \$2,100.00 to reflect a promotion to first assistant coach.

4. **Approval of the amended District's Health and Safety Plan inclusive of the District's Athletic & Activities Health and Safety Plan**

The Board, by a vote to 8-1 to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mr. Gerard, to accept and approve the amended District's Health and Safety Plan inclusive of the District's Athletic & Activities Health and Safety Plan, subject to amendments and changes as determined necessary by the Acting Superintendent as a result of changing direction and guidance from the State.

Voting Yes - Messrs.: Mauro, Kennedy, Gerard, Stein; Mesdames: Flament, Bobnar, Ott and Garry

Voting No - Messrs.: Dodd

5. Implementation of amended General Procedures for Ringgold Athletic Events

The Board, by a vote to 5-4 to the call of the roll of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mrs. Flament, adopting and approving the amended General Procedures for Ringgold Athletic Events. These Procedures are to become effective in the event that Court Rulings, Legislation or Government Directives permit the terms of these Procedures to be implemented.

Voting Yes - Messrs.: Gerard, Stein; Mesdames: Flament, Bobnar, and Garry

Voting No - Messrs.: Dodd, Kennedy, Mauro Mesdames: Ott

E. Health and Nutrition & Safety and Security – Chairperson: Ms. Bobnar Co-chairpersons: Mr. Dodd, Mr. Kennedy and Mrs. Flament
No Report

F. Facilities, Planning, and Transportation – Chairperson: Mr. Dodd Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Mauro

1. Outside Transportation Contracts

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Dodd, seconded by Mrs. Flament, approving the amended contracts for the following carriers:

LISA AGOSTONI

1 Student	Bentworth Middle School - IU	\$120.00	Daily Rate
1 Students	Madonna	\$30.00	Daily Rate
1 Student	Mon Valley School	\$140.00	Daily Rate

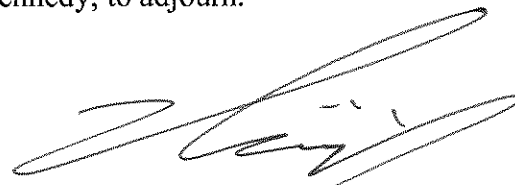
GINA PROFROCK

2 Students	Bentworth Partial	\$120.00	Daily Rate
4 Students	St. Sebastian School	\$75.00	Daily Rate

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to adjourn.

The Board adjourned at 8:23 P.M.



Randall S. Skrinjorich
Secretary of the Board Ringgold Board of School Directors