RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

Regular Ringgold Board of School Directors' Meeting

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Ringgold Board of School Directors, for General Purposes, was held at 7:00 PM. Notices of this meeting were sent to all Board Members and it was properly posted and advertised. The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Jason Briscoe, and the following Board Members were present to the call of the roll: Dr. Dougherty, Mr. Briscoe, Mrs. Flament, Mrs. Garry, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Mountain, Mrs. Ott, Mr. Toprani, and Ms. Wilhelm.

ROLL CALL

President	Mr. Briscoe
First Vice President	Mrs. Flament
Second Vice President	Mrs. Garry
	Dr. Dougherty
	Mr. Kennedy
	Mrs. Ott
	Mr. Mountain
	Mr. Toprani
	Mrs. Wilhelm

Also Present

Superintendent	Mr. Randall S. Skrinjorich
Director of Finance & Board Secretary	Ms. Kimberley Moore
Solicitor	Mr. Carl Beard

II. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – MR. SKRINJORICH

Mr. Skrinjorich reported, "I'm honored to recognize School Board Appreciation Month and to thank our board members for their unwavering commitment to students, families, and our educators. Your leadership sets the vision that guides our district and ensures every student has the opportunity to succeed.

Behind every classroom moment and milestone are board members who listen, ask tough questions, and steward our resources with integrity. Your collaborative spirit and dedication empower teachers, support safe and welcoming schools, and advance programs that help every student thrive.

To our board—thank you for your time, courage, and civic leadership. Your work matters deeply, and our students' futures are brighter because of you.

I'm grateful for your partnership and look forward to continuing our shared work on behalf of all learners."

III. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the role of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mrs. Flament, to accept the following minutes as presented:

A. Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, December 17, 2025

V. MON VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER REPORT

No report.

VI. SHASDA REPORT – MRS. OTT

No report.

VII. PSBA REPORT – MRS. OTT

Mrs. Ott reported PSBA is offering opportunities to learn more about AI and if you are interested she can provide the information. There has also been changes in the PSBA portal. They have released a tool to help users navigate the updates to the portal.

VIII. ACSHIC REPORT – MRS. OTT

No report.

IX. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – MR. BEARD

Mr. Beard reported that the legislature will be looking at cell phones in schools. With some of the meetings Mr. Beard has been a part of he believes that the legislature has done some work to aid with the shortcomings related to Charter Schools over the last few years.

X. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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

A. Personnel
B. Discipline

Mr. Briscoe also thanked the Board for their service to the District.

XI. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Amy Carson	Monongahela, PA	Topic: Communication/Transparency

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Policy – Chairperson: Dr. Dougherty
Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Garry and Mrs. Wilhelm

No report.

B. Business and Financial Services – Chairperson: Mrs. Flament
Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott and Mrs. Wilhelm

1. Treasurer's Report

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. A copy of the Treasurer's Report can be found in the Appendix of these minutes.

2. Payment of Bills

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Ott and Mrs. Garry, to pay the Bills as presented. A copy of the Bills can be found in the Appendix of these minutes.

3. Approval of Deduct Change Order from DiMarco Construction Company, Inc.

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept a deduct change order from DiMarco Construction

Company, Inc., approved by the architects HHSDR, in the amount of ($30,614.23) for Joe Montana Stadium Improvements project. A copy of Deduct Change Order GC-2 was enclosed in the Board packet.

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to approve Motions 4 through 5 as stated below:

4. Payment to HHSDR

For payments to HHSDR for the invoices below:

Project	Invoice	Amount	Fund Account
Ginger Hill	#13	$7,832.40	Capital Projects Fund

5. Payment for Joe Montana Miscellaneous Project

For payment of the following invoice, approved by the architects HHSDR, for the Joe Montana Miscellaneous project.

Vendor	Invoice	Amount	Fund Account
DiMarco Construction Company, Inc.	#9	$91,362.52	Capital Projects Fund

6. Resolution For Setting Tax Collectors' Bond

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to approve the following Resolution for Setting the Tax Collectors' Bond at a sum of not more or not less than 30% of the estimated tax collection.

WHEREAS, The Tax Collectors of the Boroughs of Donora, New Eagle, and Finleyville, and the Townships of Carroll, Nottingham, and Union, have been elected for a four year term at the November, 2025 Municipal Election and are required by the Local Tax Collection Law to enter into a surety bond to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for all taxes to be collected; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary for the School District to certify the approximate amount of the real estate and per capita school taxes to be levied under the School Code, and to certify the amounts of the respective tax collectors' bonds;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of School Directors of the Ringgold School District of Washington County, Pennsylvania that the surety bonds of the elected Tax Collectors of the Townships and Boughs which constitute the Ringgold School District shall be set as follows:

Approximate Tax Collector	Amount Collected	Amount of Bond
Carroll Township	$ 5,143,593.60	$ 1,543,078.08
Donora Borough	$ 1,739,926.42	$ 521,977.93
Finleyville Borough	$ 354,343.67	$ 106,303.10

New Eagle Borough	$ 1,300,715.89	$ 390,214.77
Nottingham Township	$ 5,810,636.48	$ 1,743,190.94
Union Township	$ 6,490,857.72	$ 1,947,257.32

The amounts of the respective Bonds do not exceed the estimated amount of the sum of the real estate and per capita taxes levied under the School Code and the amounts are to be added to the amounts certified by the respective Townships or Boroughs and the Bonds are to be approved by the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County, Pennsylvania.

C. Personnel and Administration – Chairperson: Mrs. Ott
Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Flament and Mr. Mountain

1. Acceptance of Resignations

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Toprani, to accept the following resignations:

Sarah Trumpe	Utility Worker for the Ringgold Elementary School North effective end of the day January 17, 2026.
Caprice Gruber	Bus Driver for the Ringgold School District effective end of the day December 23, 2025.
Kaitlin Kenney	English and Language Arts Teacher for the Ringgold High School effective Tuesday, January 13, 2026.
Taylor Boarts	Science and Social Studies Teacher for the Ringgold Middle School effective on or before the completion of a 60 day holding period.

2. Ratification of Hirings

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Flament, to ratify and confirm the hiring of the following individual, pending receipt of proper documentation:

Name	Position	Location	Salary for 2025-26 School Year	Step	Start Date
Full-time Employment List					
Kattreena Amodeo	Special Education Teacher	RSD	$57,000	MS-12	1/19/2026
Nathan Ginnelly	Science Teacher	RMS	$44,000	BS-1	1/12/2026
Lisa Crowe	Special Education Teacher	RSD	$60,000	DR-12	1/19/2026
Kathryn Gomes	Full-time Paraprofessional	RSD	$15.00 per hour		1/20/2026
Josephine Spesak	Full-time Paraprofessional	RSD	$15.00 per hour		1/12/2026
Cynthia Bright	Full-time Paraprofessional	RSD	$15.00 per hour		1/20/2026
Substitute Employment List					
Sarah Trumpe	Cafeteria	RSD	$13.00 per hour		1/19/2026
Caprice Gruber	Bus Driver	RSD	$19.42 per hour		12/24/2025

3. Employment of Personnel

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Toprani, granting permission to employ the following individuals, pending receipt of proper documentation:

Name	Position	Location	Salary for 2025-26 School Year
Full-time Employment List			
William Mitchell	Bus Driver	GH	$132.17 per diem
Robin Gibson	Custodian	RSD	$39,230.98
Substitute List			
Logan Tharp	Bus Trainee	GH	$17.71 per hour
Ashley Thaxton	Teacher	RSD	$150 per diem
David Shultz	Bus Trainee	GH	$17.71 per hour

4. Approval of 2026-2027 School Calendar

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to accept the 2026-2027 School Calendar. A copy of the calendar was included in the Board packet.

5. Request for Sabbatical

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting a half year school term Sabbatical Leave of Absence for the 2025-2026 school year, as per the Contract, to the following employee:

#SB2601 Teacher for the Ringgold Elementary School South

D. Curriculum, Education & Technology – Chairperson: Mrs. Wilhelm
Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott and Mr. Toprani

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Wilhelm, seconded by Mr. Toprani, to approve Motions 1 through 4 as stated below:

1. Disposal of Textbooks

Granting permission for the disposal of textbooks at the Ringgold High School. A list of the textbooks have been provided in the Board packet.

2. Adoption of Program of Studies for RMS

To adopt a program of studies at Ringgold Middle School for the 2026-2027 school year. Additional information regarding the program was included in the Board packet.

3. Adoption of Program of Studies for RHS

To adopt a program of studies at Ringgold High School for the 2026-2027 school year. Additional information regarding the program was included in the Board packet.

4. RHS Permission To Establish a Club at the Ringgold High School

Granting permission for the following school counselor at the Ringgold High School, to establish the club listed below. The bylaws have been included in the Board packet.

Ringgold Lighthouse Team – John Laukaitis(sponsor)

E. Athletics – Chairperson: Mr. Toprani
Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Garry and Mr. Mountain

1. Creation of Girls' Gymnastics Program

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Toprani, seconded by Dr. Dougherty, creating a Girls' Gymnastics Program beginning in the 2026-2027 school year. As part of creating a Girls' Gymnastics Program, the District would also create the positions of Head Girls' Gymnastics Coach and Girls' Volunteer Gymnastics Coach.

2. Creation of Girls' Flag Football Program

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Toprani, seconded by Mrs. Garry, creating a Girls' Flag Football Program beginning in the 2026-2027 school year. As part of creating a Girls' Flag Football Program, the District would also create the positions of Head Girls' Flag Football Coach and Girls' Volunteer Flag Football Coach.

3. Appointment of Coaches

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Toprani, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to hire the following coaches. Appointments are subject to contract documents prepared by the Administration and Solicitor, receipt of clearances, and other required paperwork.

Baseball
Scott Sokol – Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach at a salary of $2,496.96
Zak Sedlak – Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach at a salary of $2,496.96
Geno Sedlak – Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach
Spencer Behrendt – Volunteer Assistant Baseball Coach

Softball
Nya Adams – 1st Assistant Varsity Softball Coach at a salary of $3,600

Track & Field
Brian Zampatt – 1st Assistant Varsity Track & Field Coach at a salary of $3,600
Brett Seich – Assistant Track & Field Coach at a salary of $2,400
Kirsten McMichael – Volunteer Assistant Track & Field

Volleyball
Christy Lewis – 7th Grade Middle School Volleyball Coach at a salary of $2,500

F. Health, Wellness, and Security – Chairperson: Mr. Kennedy
Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Garry and Mr. Toprani

No report.

G. Facilities, Planning, and Transportation – Chairperson: Mr. Mountain
Co-chairpersons: Dr. Dougherty and Mrs. Wilhelm

No report.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Board adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Kimberley Moore Burchill
Secretary of the Board
Ringgold Board of School Director