RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

Regular Ringgold Board of School Directors' Meeting

Wednesday, April 15, 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: Mr. Briscoe, Dr. Dougherty, Mrs. Flament, Mrs. Garry, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Mountain, Mrs. Ott, 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
	Mrs. Wilhelm

Absent

Mr. Toprani

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, "The art show had another successful year. Students K-12 participated and the seniors themed collection showcased their growth, individuality, and artistic voice. Great work everyone!

Congratulations to our high school team for taking FIRST PLACE in the Range Resources STEM Challenge! This year's challenge pushed teams to their limits, requiring them to use physics, engineering, and creative problem-solving to build functional projects under pressure. There were two divisions, middle school and high school, over 200 students from 24 schools across Fayette, Greene, and Washington counties. CONGRATULATIONS!

And the congratulations keep going celebrating the entire Ringgold hockey team on their remarkable accomplishments this season, including winning both the D2 Championship and the PA Western State Championship. This is an outstanding achievement, and we are incredibly proud of the dedication, perseverance, and teamwork these students have demonstrated.

And to wrap things up this evening, we want to remind you about Ringgold Community Day on Saturday, April 18, at Chess Park in Monongahela.

Join us for a fun-filled event celebrating our amazing community! Enjoy activities, meet your neighbors, and support our school district. The day will include a 5K Run/Walk and a Cornhole Tournament.

Visit our website for more details!"

III. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the role of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Mountain, to accept the following minutes as presented:

A. Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, March 18, 2026

V. MON VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER REPORT

Mrs. Wilhelm reported the MVCTC took the skills students to Hershey to celebrate the state winners.

VI. SHASDA REPORT – MRS. OTT

Mrs. Ott reported the SHASDA Student Conference was on April 11th, and we had two students participate, Macenzie Benner and Jules Branch.

VII. PSBA REPORT – MRS. OTT

Mrs. Ott reported Advocacy Day is May 4th. There is a resolution on the agenda that came from PSBA. Mandated special education costs have increased by $3.6 billion, or 104%, while state and federal special education funding has only increased $280 million, or 21%, in that same time. In the last decade, mandated costs for pensions, special education and charter school tuition alone have increased more than $6.1 billion, while state revenue intended to help pay those costs has only increased by $2 billion, leaving local schools responsible for the remaining $4.1 billion; and, even if all of the $2.3 billion increase in Basic Education Funding (BEF) were used to help cover those costs, local schools would still be left with a $1.7 billion deficit to pay for entirely out of local funds.

VIII. ACSHIC REPORT – MRS. OTT

No report.

IX. SOLICITOR'S REPORT – MR. BEARD

Mr. Beard reported the cell phone issues are gaining interest that have been discussed before. BoardDocs is changing their platform, which the district uses.

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. Construction

XI. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Dave Papak Monongahela, PA Use of Facility Request Warriors Rock Concert

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

1. Approval of Revised Policy

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Dr. Dougherty, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to accept the following policy revisions. A copy of the policies were included in the Board packet.

Policy 626 - Federal Fiscal Compliance

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 eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Garry, 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 eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Dr. Dougherty, to pay the Bills as presented. A copy of the Bills can be found in the Appendix of these minutes.

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to approve Motions 3,4,6,7,8,9, and 10 as stated below:

3. HHSDR RHS Phase 3 Improvements Project Proposal

To accept the proposal from HHSDR in the amount of 6% of the construction costs for design, bidding, construction administration, and project closeout phases for Phase 3 Miscellaneous Improvements to the Ringgold High School, per the school district's contract with HHSDR dated January 17, 2013. All work performed on this project by HHSDR shall be included in this price as set forth in Article XI.I of the contract for miscellaneous improvements, as presented in the HHSDR estimated work to be performed. A copy of the proposal was included in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

4. Acceptance of Proposal for Score Board

To accept the proposal from Institutional Specialties, Inc. in the amount of $275,430 for a new score board at the Joe Montana Stadium. A copy of the proposal was included in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

5. Site Grading and Seeding at FMS

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Mountain and Mrs. Ott, to award the RFP Proposal Morgan Excavating to undertake and complete the Site Grading and Seeding project at the former Finley Middle School in the amount of $270,520.00

6. Overseeing Site Grading and Seeding at FMS,

To award GeoMechanics to oversee the Site Grading and Seeding Project/activities on the former Finley Middle School property in an amount not to exceed $35,000.

7. **Approval of Sheriff Sale**

Directing and authorizing Portnoff Law Associates, LTD. to proceed with a Sheriff Sale for unpaid amounts owed to the District. A list of the properties were provided in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

8. **Settlement and Release Agreement**

To approve the Agreement with parents of student #SRA2601 and the District, and to authorize the Board President to sign any necessary paperwork to effectuate same.

9. **Amendment to the Agenda**

To amend the agenda to add the following motion:
The Administration recommends the Board approve the Resolution calling for increased state funding. The Resolution was enclosed in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

10. **Resolution Calling for Increased State Funding**

To approve the Resolution calling for increased state funding. The Resolution was enclosed in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

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 eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Flament, to accept the following resignations:

Rebecca Crawford	Police Officer for the Ringgold School District effective end of the day April 10, 2026.
Michel Horner	Paraprofessional for the Ringgold School District effective end of the day April 8, 2026.
Debra Bostek	Substitute Custodian for the Ringgold School District effective end of the day April 9, 2026.

2. **Ratification of Hirings**

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

Name	Position	Location	Salary for 2025-26 School Year	Start Date
Full-time Employment List				
Dominic Edigi	Full-time Bus Driver	RSD	per contract	4/8/2026
Mark Boyer	Full-time Bus Driver	RSD	per contract	3/17/2026
Substitute Employment List				

Patricia Mitchell	Bus Driver Trainee	RSD	per established substitute rate	3/23/2026
Michel Horner	Paraprofessional	RSD	per established substitute rate	4/9/2026
Rebecca Crawford	Police Officer	RSD	per established substitute rate	4/11/2026

3. Approval of Summer Programming

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Dr. Dougherty, to hire additional staff for the extended school year program. Based on the number and needs of students eligible for the ESY program, it is recommended that the District hire:

- ESY Elementary Teacher
- ESY School Counselor
- ESY School Nurse
- ESY Speech Pathologist
- ESY Paraprofessional

4. Hiring for Summer Programs

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry and Mrs. Flament, to hire the following individuals for 2026 summer programming, pending receipt of proper documentation.

Employee	Position
Extended School Year	
Samantha Kracun	Teacher
Krista Wilson	Teacher
Gabrielle Bricker	School Counselor
Will Gaffey	Paraprofessional
Kim Clegg	Paraprofessional
Alaina Bozik	Paraprofessional
Lil Rams	
Christy Lewis	Teacher
Lamar Russell	Paraprofessional
Kim Clegg	Paraprofessional
Riley Lewis	Paraprofessional

5. Approval of Leave of Absence

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting employee #UL2602 an unpaid leave of absence beginning April 9, 2026 for a period not to exceed six weeks.

D. Curriculum, Education & Technology – Chairperson: Mrs. Wilhelm

Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott and Mr. Toprani

1. **Exclusion of Student**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Wilhelm, seconded by Mrs. Ott and Mrs. Flament, to accept and approve the Agreement between the District and the parents of Student 26DA04 whereby Student 26DA04 shall be excluded from in-person instruction under the terms contained in the Agreement.

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Wilhelm, seconded by Mrs. Garry, to approve Motions 2 through 3 as stated below:

2. **Approval of DQE Communications Renewal Agreement**

To accept a proposal from DQE Communications, LLC for E-Rate Category 1 WAN and Internet services. Total cost is $461,940.00 and, after applying a 90% E-Rate discount, the District's total cost is $46,194.00, or $769.90 a month, contingent upon E-Rate funding approval. Services include Metro-Ethernet point-to-point connections, internet access, and DDOS protection in accordance with FCC Form 470 #260016932. The contract is for a five (5) year term beginning July 1, 2026. Pricing is based on the E-Rate competitive bidding process. A copy of the agreement was included in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

3. **Agreement Purchase of Chromebooks**

To approve the purchase of 400 Lenovo 100e Gen 4 11" Chromebooks with Google Chrome OS management licenses for a cost of $137,628 from Ford Office Technologies. Pricing is based off PEPPM Code #P-25-166-6683. A copy of the quote has been included in the Board packet. Approval is subject to final review by the Solicitor and Administration.

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

1. **Appointment of Coaches**

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

Wrestling
Luke Smith – Head Varsity Boy's Wrestling Coach at a salary of $10,956.73

Basketball
Jennie Affinito – Head Middle School Girls' Basketball Coach at a salary of $2,500

Softball
Alyssa Nolff – Volunteer Assistant Softball Coach

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

1. Use of Facility Requests

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mountain, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to approve the following Use of Facilities requests. The granting of the use of facilities shall be subject to change as determined by the Administration.

Ringgold School District Police Department
· Use of the RMS Media Center for National Association of School Resource Officers Course on July 20, 2026, through July 22, 2026 from 7:30AM – 4:30PM.
· School Affiliated
· All Fees According to Policy

Washington Area Humane Society
· Use of RHS Parking Lot for a drive through pet food bank on Sunday, June 7, 2026, from 11:00AM - 2:00PM.
· Nonprofit Organization
· All Fees According to Policy

SPHS Summer Enhancement Program
· Use of RESS for Summer Enhancement Program on July 13, 2026 through July 30, 2026 from 8:30AM - 2:30PM.
· Nonprofit Organization
· All Fees According to Policy

2. Permission to Scrap Vehicle

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mountain, seconded by Mrs. Ott, granting permission to scrap the following vehicles:

- 2016 Blue Bird 72 Passenger School Bus #06
- 2016 Blue Bird 24 Passenger School Bus #09
- 2015 Blue Bird 72 Passenger School Bus #47
- 2017 Blue Bird 72 Passenger School Bus #53
- 2017 Blue Bird 72 Passenger School Bus #54

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Board adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Kimberley Moore Burchill

Secretary of the Board
Ringgold Board of School Director