

RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

33895

Regular Ringgold Board Of School Directors' Meeting

Thursday, September 19, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Ringgold Board of School Directors, for General Purposes, was held in the Administration Building, 400 Main Street, New Eagle, PA 15067 on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. Notices of this meeting were sent to all Board Members and it was properly posed and advertised. The meeting was called to order by President Mariann L. Bulko and the following Board Members were present to the call of the roll.

II. ROLL CALL

Second Vice President

Mr. Christopher D. Carroll
Mrs. Carol F. Flament
Mr. Gene R. Kennedy
Mr. Lawrence L. Mauro
Mrs. Maureen A. Ott
Mr. Charles H. Smith
Mr. Robert L. Smith

Absent

Board Member

Mr. William C. Stein, Jr.

Also Present

Superintendent
Assistant To The Superintendent
Director of Operations and
Financial Services
Solicitor
Secretary

Dr. Karen L. Polkabila
Mr. Jeffrey A. Matty

Mr. Randall S. Skrinjorich
Mr. Timothy R. Berggren
Mrs. Betty J. Dornan

III. Superintendent's Report**A. Meeting With M.A.R.C.**

Dr. Polkabila and Mrs. Bulko presented a program for the Monongahela Area Revitalization Corporation - M.A.R.C. - at the Monongahela Fire Hall. Mrs. Flament and Mr. Mauro were also in attendance. Everyone was very pleased with the report of the progress of the School District. M.A.R.C. feels that the School District needs to promote themselves more. They also wanted to know what the District is doing regarding the drug problem. Dr. Polkabila informed the audience that on October 29, 2013 the District Security Department is going to present a Drug Program at the Ringgold High School at 6:00 P.M.

B. Report On Ringgold Elementary School South

Mr. William Hoffman summarized the Environmental and Safety Training, Inc. report on the atmospheric conditions at Ringgold Elementary School South.

Motion Regarding Standing Water At Ringgold Elementary School South

The Board, by a vote of 6-2 to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. C. Smith, seconded by Mr. Mauro, that Mr. Spahr is to first check to see if there is any standing water in the drain pans that is not draining at Ringgold Elementary School South, and if there is, the Administration shall have Mr. Joe Grad check the standing water in the drain pans for Legionella or any other contaminants and report back to the Board.

Voting Yes – Messrs.: C. Smith, R. Smith, Kennedy, Mauro, Mesdames: Flament and Bulko

Voting No – Mr. Carroll and Mrs. Ott

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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 Minutes as presented:

A. Regular Board Meeting Of Wednesday, August 21, 2013

B. Special Board Meeting Of Thursday, September 5, 2013

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VI. MON VALLEY CAREER AND TECHNICAL CENTER REPORT – MR. ROBERT L. SMITH

Mr. Smith reported that the renovations at the Vo-Tech School are not yet complete but will be shortly.

VII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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

VIII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Bulko reported that prior to tonight's meeting, the Board met in Executive Session to discuss personnel and to receive legal advice from the Solicitor.

Mrs. Bulko also thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers for her son Tom during his recent surgery.

IX. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No Requests

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS**A. Business And Financial Services – Chairperson: Mrs. Flament – Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott And Mr. Stein****1. Treasurer's Report**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight 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 on pages 33908 to 33911.

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 Mrs. Ott, to accept the Bills as presented. A copy of the Bills can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages 33912 to 33939.

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3. Payment To R & B Mechanical, Inc.

The Board, by a vote of 7-0-1 to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Ott, for payment to R & B Mechanical, Inc., as approved by the Architects HHSDR, in the amount of \$21,805.56 for services related to the Ringgold High School Dehumidification Project. Payment of Invoice Number 3 will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

Voting Yes – Messrs.: C. Smith, R. Smith, Kennedy, Mauro, Mesdames: Ott, Flament, and Bulko

Abstaining – Mr. Carroll stated that he was erring on the side of caution by abstaining due to the fact that his employer does business with R & B Mechanical, Inc.

4. Payment To Keystone Waterproofing, Inc.

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. Ott, for payment to Keystone Waterproofing, Inc., as approved by the Architects HHSDR, in the amount of \$46,039.82 for services related to the Ringgold High School Masonry Repair Project. Payment of Invoice Number 3 will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

5. Acceptance Of Proposal From PSX, Inc.

The Board, by a vote of 6-2 to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Mauro, to accept a proposal from PSX, Inc. in the amount of \$19,918.25 to add and replace security cameras on the exterior of Ringgold Elementary School North. Pricing is based on the PEPPM contract.

Voting Yes – Messrs.: C. Smith, Carroll, Mauro, Mesdames: Ott, Flament, and Bulko

Voting No – Messrs.: R. Smith and Kennedy

6. Donora Elementary Center Property

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 approve the following Resolution:

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 1 OF 2013
RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Ringgold School District is the owner of two parcels of real property located in the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania, one being approximately 38.9 acres (parcel no. 240-020-00-00-0001-00) and one being the size of several lots (parcel no. 240-020-00-00-0009-00); and

WHEREAS, the Ringgold Board of School Directors desires to donate to the Borough of Donora and the Borough of Donora desires to obtain from the Ringgold School District approximately 4.5 acres of parcel number 240-020-00-00-0001-00, on which is located two baseball fields; and

WHEREAS, Section 7-707 of the Pennsylvania Public School Code enables the Ringgold School District to donate the subject 4.5 acres to the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania, without consideration, provided that such conveyance contains a reversionary clause; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the subject property to be subdivided prior to the contemplated conveyance, which subdivision requires a survey of the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania has indicated that it will assume all costs, charges and fees associated with the subdivision and conveyance of the subject property.

NOW THEREFORE, the Ringgold School District Board of School Directors, in conformance with section 7-707 of the Pennsylvania

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Public School Code, as amended, hereby Resolves as follows:

1. The above "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as if stated at length below.

2. The Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania is hereby authorized to survey the property located in the Borough of Donora and known as parcel number 240-020-00-00-0001-00, and to take such action as is necessary to subdivide approximately 4.5 acres of such property whereon are located two baseball fields.

3. Once the proper subdivision of the subject property is completed, the Board of School Directors of the Ringgold School District hereby declares the approximately 4.5 acres of such land whereon are located the two baseball fields to be unused and unnecessary lands of the Ringgold School District, and the Board of School Directors hereby conveys and donates the approximately 4.5 acres of land to the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania under the terms contained herein.

4. The within conveyance of the approximately 4.5 acres of land to the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania is contingent upon the Borough of Donora assuming all costs, fees and expenses associated with this transaction; taking all action necessary to subdivide the subject property as provided for herein; preparing a deed to the Borough of Donora that contains a reversionary clause whereby the ownership of such property will revert to the Ringgold School District should such property no longer be used for municipal or recreational purposes, and which retains ownership of

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all gas and mineral rights with the Ringgold School District; and taking such other action as is necessary to obtain a deed from the Ringgold School District to the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania for the approximately 4.5 acres of land.

5. The President of the Board of School Directors of the Ringgold School District and the Board Secretary are hereby authorized to take such action as is necessary and proper under this Resolution so as to convey the approximately 4.5 acres of land to the Borough of Donora, Pennsylvania, contingent upon the Borough of Donora taking the action referenced herein and assuming the costs, fees and expenses associated with this transaction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of School Directors of the Ringgold School District does adopt this Resolution this 19th day of September 2013.

ATTEST:

RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Betty J. Dornan, Board Secretary

Mariann L. Bulko, Board President

B. Personnel And Administration – Chairperson: Mr. Kennedy – Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Flament And Mr. Carroll

1. Employment Of Teachers

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission to employ the following teachers:

- a. Andrea Brink – English Teacher – Ringgold Middle School – at a salary of \$37,700 – Step 3 – Master’s Degree

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- b. **Rachael Fike** – Special Education Teacher – Ringgold High School – at a salary of \$41,500 – Step 7 – Master’s Degree
- c. **Carly Ziegler** – Special Education Teacher – Ringgold Elementary School South – at a salary of \$34,000 – Step 1 – Bachelor’s Degree

2. **Employment Of Accounting Specialist**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission to employ Brad Snyder as an Accounting Specialist at an annual salary of \$30,000 and to be part of the Administrative Assistants Agreement, pending submission of proper documentation.

3. **Employment Of A Bus Mechanic II**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mrs. Ott, granting permission to employ Jose Tunon as a Bus Mechanic II at a salary of \$27,625 as per the Custodial/Maintenance Contract, pending submission of proper documentation.

4. **Employment Of A Musical Choreographer**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mrs. Ott, granting permission to employ LeAnn Chamberlin as the Choreographer for the Ringgold High School Musical at a salary of \$2,644 per year.

5. **Resignation Of A School Dentist**

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. Mauro, to accept the resignation of Dr. William Frantz, Dentist for Ringgold Elementary School South.

6. **Employment Of A School Dentist**

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. Carroll, granting permission to employ Dr. Pieter Heemstra as the Dentist for Ringgold Elementary School South.

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7. Additions To The Substitute Rosters

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. Ott, granting permission to add the following names to the substitute rosters:

Teacher

Brittany Mosi	South Park, PA	Social Studies 7-12
Meghan Sames	Bentleyville, PA	Art K-12
Amber Skrinjorich	Finleyville, PA	Elementary

Educational Aide

Danielle Cintella	Monongahela, PA
Denise Frauens	West Elizabeth, PA
Donna Jean Simmen	Monongahela, PA
Marlene Weis	Donora, PA

Secretary

Denise Frauens	West Elizabeth, PA
April Leyda	Monongahela, PA

Cafeteria

Ann Chechuck	Donora, PA
Amy D'Andrea	Monongahela, PA
John R. Leavor	Belle Vernon, PA
Donna Jean Simmen	Monongahela, PA

Custodian

Tina Dean	Monongahela, PA
Denise Frauens	West Elizabeth, PA
Peter Hoosac	New Eagle, PA
John R. Leavor	Belle Vernon, PA

Security

Christopher Pierce	Newell, PA
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8. Requests To Attend Conferences

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission for the following conference requests:

William Hoffman NASRO-CPTED – Crime Prevention
Through Environmental Design – Practitioner
Certification

Funds to be taken from
Physical Plant – Travel

October 28, 29, and 30, 2013

Mt. Lebanon High School

TOTAL COST \$ 375.00

Clayton R. Shell NASRO-CPTED – Crime Prevention
Through Environmental Design – Practitioner
Certification

Funds to be taken from
Security - Travel

October 28, 29, and 30, 2013

Mt. Lebanon High School

TOTAL COST \$ 375.00

Christina Snyder Transportation Conference – Updates on
regulations and reporting requirements

Funds to be taken from
Transportation Conferences

October 10 and 11, 2013

Harrisburg, PA

TOTAL COST \$812.40

Alexandra Bryan A.P. Workshop – Language and Composition

Funds to be taken
From Title II A

Chartiers Valley High School

October 14, 2013

TOTAL COST \$ 270.00

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Sarah Brown	A.P. Workshop – Biology
Funds to be taken From Title II A	Chartiers Valley High School October 14, 2013
TOTAL COST	\$ 300.00

9. **Request For A Sabbatical Leave**

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. C. Smith, granting permission for Jan Zenobi, a Special Education Teacher at Ringgold Elementary School South, to take a Sabbatical Leave for the remainder of the 2013-2014 first semester.

C. **Curriculum – Chairperson: Mrs. Ott – Co-chairpersons: Mr. Carroll And Mr. Kennedy**

No Report

D. **Technology – Chairperson: Mr. Stein – Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott And Mrs. Flament**

No Report

E. **Athletics – Chairperson: Mr. Mauro – Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott And Mr. R. Smith**

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 Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mr. C. Smith, to appoint the following coaches. All coach's contract appointments are subject to contract documents prepared by the Administration and Solicitor, and the individuals are required to sign a contract and Coach's Code of Ethics and Conduct documents as conditions of their employment, and also having secured all of the necessary clearances.

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Jason Marvin – Assistant Varsity Girl’s Basketball Coach at a salary of \$3,760.00

Thomas Assad – Head Middle School Boy’s Basketball Coach at a salary of \$2,220.75

Grace DiCello – Second Assistant Girl’s Volleyball Coach at a salary of \$2,292.00

Marissa Rega – Assistant Competitive Spirit Coach at a salary of \$1,175.00

2. **Volleyball Coach Salary Change**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. R. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Flament, setting the corrected salary for the Head Volleyball Coach, Julia Davis, at \$5,975.00. At the February 19, 2013 meeting, the salary was incorrectly set at \$3,702.00

F. **Health And Nutrition – Chairperson: Mr. R. Smith – Co-chairpersons: Mr. C. Smith And Mr. Mauro**

No Report

G. **Safety And Security – Chairperson: Mr. C. Smith – Co-chairpersons: Mr. Mauro And Mr. R. Smith**

No Report

H. **Facilities, Planning, And Transportation – Chairperson: Mr. Carroll – Co-chairpersons: Mr. Stein And Mr. Kennedy**

1. **Request For Use Of A Facility**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr. R. Smith, granting permission for the following use of a facility:

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a. Modernettes

What: Public Service Announcement For
Breast Cancer Awareness

When: Sunday, September 29, 2013
7:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Where: Ringgold High School Auditorium

Cost: No Charge for Auditorium – School Volunteer Group
(they are filming public service message and will be
crediting Ringgold School District)

Auditorium Director - \$30/Hr - 4.5 Hours - \$135 if
needed

Custodial \$30/Hr - 4.5 Hours - \$135


Air Conditioning - \$40/Hr - 4.5 Hours - \$180 if
needed

The Board agreed to waive the fees due to the fact that the
Modernettes are performing a community service act and also
are including Ringgold School District in the credits.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Board adjourned at 8:33 P.M.



Betty J. Dornan
Secretary of the Board
Ringgold Board of School Directors