

RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

Ringgold Board Of School Directors' Regular Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

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 at 7:15 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 Mariann L. Bulko and the following Board Members were present to the call of the roll.

II. ROLL CALL

First Vice President
 Second Vice President

Mr. William C. Stein, Jr.
 Mrs. Carol F. Flament
 Mr. Jason H. Gerard
 Mrs. Sherrie L. Garry
 Mr. Gene R. Kennedy
 Mr. Lawrence L. Mauro
 Mrs. Maureen A. Ott
 Mr. Steven M. Toprani

Also Present

Superintendent
 Assistant to the Superintendent
 Director of Operations and
 Financial Services
 Solicitor
 Secretary

Dr. Karen L. Polkabila
 Dr. Jeffrey A. Matty
 Mr. Randall S. Skrinjorich
 Mr. Timothy R. Berggren
 Mrs. Betty J. Dornan

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. New Hires

Dr. Polkabila congratulated the Administrators for hiring great and qualified teachers.

B. Football Wins

Dr. Polkabila congratulated the Ringgold Football for their first two great games.

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Stein, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, August 19, 2015 as presented.

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

Mr. Kennedy stated that the Career and Technology Center had a great start to the new school year.

VII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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

VIII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - MRS. BULKO

Ms. Bulko reported that prior to tonight's meeting, the Board met in Executive Session to discuss the following:

- A. Personnel
- B. Litigation of a Tax Matter

IX. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- **Jim Dodd - 173 Victoria Drive, Carroll Township - Topic:** Is it possible to get the list of bills paid and possibly the video of the board meeting posted to the website?

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Business And Financial Services - Chairperson: Mrs. Flament - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Kennedy And Mrs. Ott

1. Treasurer's Report

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Toprani, 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 35329 to 35336.

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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. Garry, to approve the Bills as presented. A copy of the Bills can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages 35337 to 35364.

3. Payment To Architects HHSDR For Architectural Services - New Middle School

The Board, by a vote of 8-1 to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Stein, for payment to Architect HHSDR in the amount of \$99,486.00 for architectural services of a new Middle School. Payment of Invoice Number 3793-10 will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

Voting Yes - Messrs.: Toprani, Stein, Gerard, Kennedy, Mesdames: Ott, Flament, Garry, and Bulko

Voting No - Mr. Mauro

4. Payment To Foreman Program And Construction Managers

The Board, by a vote of 8-1 to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mr. Stein, for payment to Foreman Program and Construction Managers in the amount of \$19,600.00 for services related to the Ringgold Elementary School North project. Payment of Invoice Number 3 will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

Voting Yes - Messrs.: Toprani, Stein, Gerard, Kennedy, Mesdames: Ott, Flament, Garry, And Bulko

Voting No - Mr. Mauro

5. Payment Of Invoices

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, for payment of the following invoices as approved by the Architects HHSDR and the Construction Managers, The Foreman Program, for services related to the Ringgold Elementary School North Project. Payment will be mad from the Capital Projects Fund.

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<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Invoice</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Yarborough Development Inc.	#3	\$395,410.50
East West Manufacturing & Supply Co., Inc.	#3	\$181,561.50
Vern's Electric, Inc.	#3	\$ 58,045.35
Enders Plumbing & Heating Co.	#3	\$ 16,574.40
Integrated Services & Consultants, Inc.	#00-1921	\$ 2,681.75

6. **Acceptance Of A Proposal From Tri Star Ford Somerset, 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 Mr. Toprani, to accept a proposal from Tri Star Ford Somerset, Inc. in the amount of \$28,369.00 to purchase a 2016 Transit-150 XL eight passenger wagon. Pricing is based on the COSTARS contract Number 026-079.

B. **Personnel And Administration - Chairperson: Mr. Mauro - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Kennedy And Mrs. Ott**

1. **Resignations**

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

Lorrie Bellavance - Teacher Aide - Ringgold High School - Effective August 28, 2015

Charles Mavrakis - Custodian - Ringgold Elementary School North - Effective August 18, 2015.

Kimberly Decker - Cook/Baker - Ringgold Middle School, Effective September 8, 2015

2. **Employment Of A Teacher**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mr. Stein, granting permission to employ Geannene R. Ledbetter as an English Teacher at the Ringgold Middle School at a salary of \$41,600 - Master's Degree - Step 7.

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3. Extracurricular Positions

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mrs. Ott, granting permission to appoint the following persons to extracurricular positions:

- **Kathryn Kline - Vocal Music - Ringgold Elementary School North at a salary of \$964.00**
- **Marissa Rega - Ski Club/Outdoor Adventures Club Sponsor - Ringgold High School at a salary of \$632.00**
- **Gregory Schutz - Set Builder for the Ringgold High School Musical at a salary of \$1,285.00**
- **John Leasure - Science Olympiad Coach - Ringgold Middle School at a salary of \$797.00**
- **Sharon Geary - Cheerleading Coach - Ringgold Middle School at a salary of \$918.00**
- **Grace DiCello - Student Council - Ringgold Middle School at a salary of \$864.00**

4. Additions To The Substitute Rosters

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission to add the following names to the substitute rosters:

Teacher

Madeline M. Carson (pending proper documentation)	Belle Vernon, PA	English / History
John Siget (pending proper documentation)	Canonsburg, PA	Mentally / Physically Handicapped K-12 and Mid-Level Citizens Education 7-9

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Cafeteria

Timothy Ayres	Finleyville, PA
Dana Dopler	Monongahela, PA
Christine Kunkel	Finleyville, PA
Elizabeth Luck	Donora, PA
Tammy Majewski	Monongahela, PA
Mary Schettler	Finleyville, PA
Alisha Williams	Eighty Four, PA

Aide

Dana Dopler	Monongahela, PA
Christine Kunkel	Finleyville, PA
Tammy Majewski	Monongahela, PA
Mary Schettler	Finleyville, PA
Alisha Williams	Eighty Four, PA

Secretary

Christine Kunkel	Finleyville, PA
Tammy Majewski	Monongahela, PA
Mary Schettler	Finleyville, PA
Alisha Williams	Eighty Four, PA

5. Requests For Unpaid Leaves Of Absence

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Mauro, granting permission for the following unpaid leaves of absence:

- **Lacey Slavin - Music Teacher - Ringgold Elementary School South - February 17, 18, and 19, 2015**
- **Denise Sadler - Cook/Baker - Ringgold High School - September 21 through 25, 2015**
- **Michelle Kitchens - Cook/Baker - Ringgold High School - a one year of unpaid leave of absence, without benefits**

6. Requests For A Family and Medical Leaves

The Board, by a vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting Family and Medical Leaves to the following persons:

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- **Rachael C. Fike - a Special Education Teacher at the Ringgold High School for up to twelve weeks beginning on September 2, 2015**
- **Karen Green - a Teacher Aide at the Ringgold Elementary School North for up to twelve weeks beginning on August 17, 2015**
- **Linda Zywan - a Teacher Aide at the Ringgold Elementary School North for up to twelve weeks beginning on August 17, 2015**

7. **Approval Of A Contract And Compensation Plans**

a. **Contract of Chief Of Ringgold Police**

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, approving the Contract of the Chief of Ringgold Police, Mr. Clayton Shell, as presented and discussed in Executive Session.

b. **Building/Technology Administrative Assistants And Central Administration Assistants Compensation Plans**

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 approve the Building/Technology Administrative Assistants and Central Administration Assistants Compensation Plans as presented and discussed in Executive Session.

8. **Requests To Attend Conferences**

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. Gerard, granting permission for the following requests to attend conferences:

a.	Lenni Nedley	PASCD Annual Conference
	Funds to be taken from Director of Curriculum Travel Fund	November 15-17, 2015 Pittsburgh, PA
	TOTAL COST	\$401.98

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b.	Clayton R. Shell	2015 Annual Safe Schools Conference
	Funds to be taken from Security Travel Fund	October 28-30, 2015 Harrisburg, PA
	TOTAL COST	\$1,014.68

9. **Trip Request**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting permission to Dawn Mason, Director of Bands, for the Spring Band/Orchestra/Chorus trip to Virginia Beach, Virginia on Thursday, April 28 through Sunday, May 1, 2016. The students will compete in marching band and orchestra. The trip cost is approximately \$700.00 per student and will be paid for by fundraising through the Booster Organization.

10. **Approval Of Private Nursing Service Agreement**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mrs. Ott, approving a Service Agreement between the Ringgold School District and Continuum Pediatric Nursing Services to provide nursing services to a medically fragile pediatric patient. This Agreement is pending proper documentation of the appointed nurse.

C. **Curriculum - Chairperson: Mrs. Ott - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Gerard And Mr. Toprani**

No Report

D. **Technology - Chairperson: Mr. Gerard - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Mauro And Mr. Stein**

No Report

E. **Athletics - Chairperson: Mrs. Garry - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Gerard And Mrs. Flament**

1. **Appointment Of Coaches**

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 Mrs. Flament, 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 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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Fall Coaches

Jeremiah Hyatt - Assistant Varsity Boys Soccer Coach at a salary of \$2,515.00

Chris Vaccaro - Middle School Boys Soccer Volunteer Assistant Coach

Winter Coaches

Erika Haitz - Head Varsity Girls Basketball Coach at a salary of \$6,528.00

Phil Pergola - Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach at a salary of \$6,528.00 (year 3 of a 4 year contract)

F. Health, And Nutrition - Chairperson: Mr. Kennedy - Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Flament And Mrs. Garry

No Report

G. Safety And Security - Chairperson: Mr. Stein - Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Garry And Mr. Toprani

No Report

H. Facilities, Planning, And Transportation - Chairperson: Mr. Stein - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Kennedy And Mr. Toprani

1. Requests For Use Of Facilities

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Stein, seconded by Mrs. Ott, granting permission for the following use of facilities requests:

a. Ringgold Girl Scout Troop 32419 - Christy M. Lewis

What: Girl Scout Meetings

When: September 21, October 5, November 2, December 14, 2015 January 25, February 8, February 22, March 21, April 4, and April 18, 2016 - 3:50 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Where: Ringgold Elementary School South

Cost: No Charge

b. Cub Scouts Pack 1446 - Den #1 - Todd Alan George

What: Bi-Monthly Meetings
When: Second and Fourth Thursdays -
September through June
6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.
Where: Ringgold Elementary School South
Cafeteria and Gymnasium
Cost: No Charge

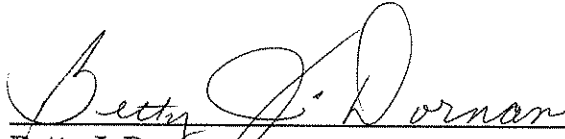
c. Ringgold PTA Council - Kristen Brodak

What: Ringgold School Board Candidate Forum
When: Tuesday, October 20, 2015
5:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Where: Ringgold High School Cafeteria
Cost: No Charge

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Board adjourned at 7:50 P.M.



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