

RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

Regular Ringgold Board Of School Directors' Meeting

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

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 7:00 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 C. Stein, Jr. and the following Board Members were present to the call of the roll.

II. ROLL CALL

First Vice President
Second Vice President

Mrs. Carol F. Flament
Mrs. Sherrie L. Garry
Mr. James R. Dodd
Mr. Jason H. Gerard
(Mr. Gerard arrived at 7:16)
Mrs. Gail A. Glaneman
Mr. Gene R. Kennedy
Mr. Lawrence L. Mauro
Mrs. Maureen A. Ott

Also Present

Superintendent
Director of Operations and
Financial Services
Solicitor
Secretary

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

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Polkabila introduced Jamie Doyle, Managing Director of The PFM Group, who reported on the Competitive Bid results for the Bond Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2017.

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IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, December 21, 2016 as presented.

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

No Report

VII. INTERMEDIATE UNIT I REPORT - MRS. OTT

No Report

VIII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT

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

IX. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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

- A. Legal Issues Regarding Property Tax Assessment Appeals
- B. Student Discipline
- C. Personnel Evaluations And Issues
- D. Receive Legal Advice

Mr. Stein commented on the possibility of a Community College coming to Donora and that this is a step forward for the Mon Valley Communities.

X. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Roderick Wilson - 481 Seventh Street, Donora, PA - Topic: Ringgold School Policy and School Police

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

1. Resolution - District's General Obligation Bonds

The Board, by a vote of 7-1 to the call of the roll of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, authorizing the District's General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2017 in the aggregate principal amount of \$14,130,000 for the Middle School Project.

Voting Yes - Kennedy, Mauro, Stein, Mesdames: Flament, Garry, Glaneman, and Ott

Voting No - Mr. Dodd

2. Treasurer's Report

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

3. 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 Mr. Kennedy, to accept the Bills as presented. A copy of the Bills can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages

4. Approval Of A Report Received From The Pennsylvania Department Of Education

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the eight members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept PLANCON Part H - Project financing - Ringgold Elementary School North. A complete copy of PLANCON Part H can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages

4. **Payment To Architects HHSDR**

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 Mrs. Glaneman, for payment to Architects HHSDR in the amount of \$15,989.00 for architectural services related to the Ringgold Middle School project. Payment of invoice number 3793-26 will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

Voting Yes - Messrs.: Kennedy, Stein, Mesdames: Flament, Garry, Glaneman, and Ott

Voting No - Messrs.: Mauro and Dodd

Mr. Gerard arrived at this time.

5. **Payment To Massaro CM Services, LLC**

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 to Massaro CM Services, LLC in the amount of \$30,203.00 for services related to the Ringgold Middle School project. Payment of invoice number 9 will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

7. **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. Garry, for payment of the following invoices, approved by the Architects HHSDR and the construction manager Massaro CM Services, LLC, for services related to the Ringgold Middle School project. Payments will be made from the Capital Projects Fund.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Invoice</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Hudson Group Inc.	#9	\$882,980.77
Lugaila Mechanical Inc.	#4	\$65,118.53
A-1 Electric, Inc.	#8	\$101,034.00
Vrabel Plumbing Company, LLC	#7	\$93,067.00
S.A. Comunale Co., Inc.	#4	\$ 5,112.00

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

1. Teacher Aide Resignation

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Glaneman, seconded by Mrs. Flament, to accept the resignation of Dora J. Burneisen, a Teacher Aide at the Ringgold High School, effective Friday, January 13, 2017.

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 Mrs. Flament, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to employ Jamie R. Hummer as a Health/Physical Education Teacher at the Ringgold Middle School at a salary of \$38,000, Step 3, Bachelor's Degree. Mrs. Hummer's official starting date will be Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

3. Additions To The Substitute Rosters

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Glaneman, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission to add the following persons to the substitute rosters:

Teacher

Angelique Benjamin	West Mifflin, PA	Business-Computer-Info Teach PK-12
Marguerite Miller	Washington, PA	English 7-12
Taylor Moravec	Belle Vernon, PA	Health and Physical Education
Christine Zizis	Monessen, PA	English

Cafeteria

Erin Carson	Monongahela, PA
Heather Kelley	Elrama, PA

Secretary

Erin Carson	Monongahela, PA
Heather Kelley	Elrama, PA

Aide

Erin Carson	Monongahela, PA
Heather Kelley	Elrama, PA
Christopher Shell	Venetia, PA

Custodial

Carey Armstrong	West Elizabeth, PA
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4. Requests For Unpaid Leaves

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Glaneman, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting unpaid leaves to the following persons:

Sonia Porter - Utility Worker - RESS - January 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 2017

Melinda Kirich - Utility Worker - RESN - January 9, 10, 11, 2017

Melissa Mottillo - Utility Worker - RESS - October 31, December 1, December 7, 2016 and January 3, 2017

Melissa Terrant - Utility Worker - RHS - October 7, November 14, November 22, 2016

Tracy Miller - Utility Worker - RESN - October 25, November 16, December 16, December 20, 2016

Amanda Mortland - Bus Driver - February 13 through 17, 2017

5. 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. Glaneman, seconded by Mrs. Flament, granting permission for the following conference requests:

Laura Grimm	Pennsylvania State Athletic Directors Conference
Funds to be taken from Athletic Director's travel account	Hershey, PA March 21-24, 2017
Cost:	\$1,383.12

Randall Skrinjorich PASBO Annual Conference

Funds to be taken from Business Office Conference account Pittsburgh, PA
March 21-24, 2017

Cost: \$481.72

Kimberly Moore PASBO Annual Conference

Funds to be taken from Business Office Conference account Pittsburgh, PA
March 22-23, 2017

Cost: \$315.68

Mariah Carpenter PASBO Annual Conference

Funds to be taken from Business Office Conference account Pittsburgh, PA
March 22-23, 2017

Cost: \$341.36

6. Daily Compensation For Substitute Teachers

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, setting the daily compensation for substitute teachers who teach 25 consecutive days or more in the same assignment at \$135.00 a day. Once a substitute teacher teaches 80 consecutive days or more in the same assignment, they are considered long term substitutes and are compensated as a long term substitute.

7. Aide Resignation

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting permission to accept the resignation of Dayshore Majors, an Aide at the Ringgold Elementary School South, effective Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

8. Family And Medical Leave

The Board by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting an Intermittent Family and Medical leave to Charles W. Koch, Jr., an eight hour custodian at the Ringgold Middle School.

9. Salary Increase For A Teacher Aide

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Glaneman, seconded by Mrs. Garry, granting permission to increase the salary of Cindy Leach to \$9.50 per hour beginning on her one year anniversary date of February 4, 2017.

10. Appointment To An Extracurricular Position

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. Glaneman, granting permission to appoint Emily Urso as the Lights and Sound Director at the Ringgold Middle School at a salary of \$1,311.00

11. Competition Band Trip Request

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mrs. Glaneman, granting permission for Dawn Mason, Ringgold High School Director of Bands, to take the Ringgold Indoor Percussion group to compete in the Atlantic Costal Championships in Wildwood, New Jersey on May 4-6, 2017 at the Wildwood Convention Hall.

12. Student Discipline

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. Flament, to accept the Agreement between the parents of Student "A" and the Administration regarding the discipline of Student "A".

C. Curriculum - Chairperson: Mr. Mauro - Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Ott And Mr. Dodd

No Report

D. Technology - Chairperson: Mr. Gerard - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Dodd And Mrs. Glaneman

No Report

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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. Ott, to appoint the following coaches. All coach's 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.

Winter Coaches

Girls Basketball

ShaVonne Steward - Seventh Grade Head Coach at a salary of \$1,648.00

Jason Briscoe - Elementary Coordinator at a salary of \$1,083.00

2. PIAA Championship Request

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mrs. Ott, granting permission for any athlete(s) or team(s) to attend the PIA State Championships, if they qualify.

a. **Indoor Track - February 24-25, 2017 at State College, PA**

3. Baseball Trip Request

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the nine members present, approved a motion by Ms. Garry, seconded by Mrs. Flament, authorizing a baseball team trip to Disney in March 2017. All student-athletes must be in good standing and not in violation of the attendance policy in order to be eligible to go.

F. Health And Nutrition - Chairperson: Mr. Dodd - Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Glaneman And Mrs. Garry

No Report

G. Safety And Security - Chairperson: Mrs. Flament - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Kennedy And Mr. Mauro

No Report

H. Facilities, Planning, And Transportation - Chairperson: Mrs. Ott - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Kennedy And Mr. Gerard

1. Memorandum Of Understanding Between Washington County Children And Youth Services And The Ringgold School District

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 sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Washington County Children and Youth Services and the Ringgold School District that provides for transportation requirements relating to the educational stability of children in foster care under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

2. Requests For Use Of Facilities

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

a. BSA Cub Pack 1446 - Steven Anders

What: Swim Test
When: March 2, 2017 - 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.
Where: Ringgold High School Swimming Pool
Cost: Water Safety Instructor and lifeguards

b. BSA Cub Pack 1446 - Steven Anders

What: Blue and Gold Banquet
When: March 18, 2017 - 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.
Where: Ringgold High School Cafeteria (seating only)
Cost: Cafeteria fees incurred only if use of kitchen/ equipment is necessary, otherwise the request occurs during normal operating hours and does not require the presence of additional custodial or security personnel.

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XII. ADJOURNMENT

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

The Board adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

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