

RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT
400 Main Street
New Eagle, PA 15067

Regular Ringgold Board Of School Directors' Meeting

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

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 7:05 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 First Vice President Sherrie L. Garry and the following Board Members were present to the call of the roll.

II. ROLL CALL

President

Mrs. Carol F. Flament
(Mrs. Flament participated
via telephone)

First Vice President

Mrs. Sherrie L. Garry

Second Vice President

Mrs. Maureen A. Ott

Mr. James R. Dodd

Mr. Jason H. Gerard

Mr. Gene R. Kennedy

Mr. Lawrence L. Mauro

Absent

Board Member

Mrs. Gail A. Glaneman

Board Member

Mr. William C. Stein, Jr.

Also Present

Superintendent

Ms. Megan Marie Van Fossan

Board Secretary

Mr. Randall S. Skrinjorich

and also

Director of Operations

and Financial Services

Solicitor

Mr. Timothy R. Berggren

Recording Secretary

Ms. Gina M. Durko

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – MS. VAN FOSSAN

A. Ringgold Elementary School South Presentation

Mrs. Sherry Black, Principal, at Ringgold Elementary School South introduced First Grade students who performed presentations regarding family and letter sounds.

B. New Ringgold School District App

Mr. Kevin McCabe, the school district's Director of Educational Technology, provided a demonstration of the new Ringgold School District App.

C. Ringgold School District Selected To Three-Dimensional Teaching and Learning Academy

The Ringgold School District has been selected to participate in the Three-Dimensional Teaching and Learning Academy by ASSET Stem Education. Ringgold is one of six school-based teams in Southwestern Pennsylvania that will participate in this immersive pilot program. Ms. Van Fossan thanked Ms. Kelli Dellarose, Assistant Principal, at Ringgold Elementary School North for submitting the grant application.

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

No Report

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Garry, seconded by Mr. Dodd, to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, August 15, 2018 and the Special Meeting of Wednesday, August 22, 2018 as presented.

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

Mr. Kennedy noted the Mon Valley Career and Technology Center is in negotiations with another school district for possibly an additional 50-60 students.

VII. INTERMEDIATE UNIT I REPORT - MRS. OTT

No Report

VIII. SOLICITOR'S REPORT - MR. BERGGREN

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

IX. FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - MRS. GARRY

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

- A. **Personnel (Leaves of Absence, Status of Labor Grievances & Hirings)**
- B. **Litigation Regarding Tax Assessment Appeals**
- C. **Receive Legal Counsel and Information**

X. VISITORS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Roderick Wilson – 481 Seventh Street, Donora, PA - **Topics:** Administration/Sports

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **Business And Financial Services - Chairperson: Mr. Stein - Co-chairpersons: Mr. Kennedy and Mrs. Garry**

1. **Treasurer's Report**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. A copy of the Treasure's Report can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages

2. **Payment Of Bills**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, 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

3. **Payment To First American Industries, Inc.**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott, for payment to First American Industries, Inc., approved by the architects HHSDR, in the amount of \$215,685.00 for the Ringgold High School domestic hot water, heating boilers and pumps replacement project. Payment of invoice #2 will be made from the Capital Reserve Fund.

4. **Acceptance Of Proposal From River School Therapies**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Gerard, to accept a Proposal for Interpreting Services from River School Therapies.

5. **Letter Of Agreement Between Outside In School Of Experiential Education**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott, for the Superintendent to sign a Letter of Agreement for substance abuse treatment services for students identified by the Student Assistance Program between the Ringgold School District and Outside In School of Experiential Education for the 2018-2019 school year. Coordination of the Program is through the Washington Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc.

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

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott, for the Superintendent to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ringgold School District and Washington County Children and Youth Services that provides for transportation requirements relating to the educational stability of children in foster care under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

7. **Title I And Title Iia Nonpublic School Services Agreements With Intermediate Unit I**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott, for the Superintendent to sign the Title I and Title Iia Nonpublic School Services Agreements between the Ringgold School District and Intermediate Unit I.

8. **Agreement For Professional Development**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott to enter into an Agreement with Bryan Dean to perform services for Instructional Design for Professional Learning for five mutually agreed upon dates at \$2,500 per day. To be paid with Title II Part A funds. A copy of the Agreement can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on page

9. **Settlement Of Tax Assessment Appeal**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept the total amount of \$1,575.79 filed at Docket Number 2018-3169 to settle a tax assessment appeal for the 2017 tax year.

B. **Personnel And Administration – Chairperson: Mrs. Glaneman Co-chairpersons: Mr. Stein And Mrs. Ott**

1. **Resignation Of Personnel**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Gerard, to accept the following resignations:

Danielle Veliky – Speech/Language Teacher at Ringgold Elementary School North – Effective no later than October 26, 2018 as determined by the Superintendent

David K. McMasters – Custodian at Ringgold High School – Effective Friday, September 14, 2018

2. **Resignation Of A Teacher For Retirement Purposes**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Mauro, to accept the following resignation for retirement purposes:

Renee N. Kinder – Remedial/Itinerant Teacher at Ringgold Elementary School South – Effective Friday, August 31, 2018

3. **Employment Of Personnel**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Dodd, to employ the following individuals:

Kasandra Staffen as a Counselor/RAMS Coordinator at Ringgold High School at a salary of \$53,000 – Step 15 – Masters Degree

Jennifer Zdravecky as a Speech and Language Pathologist at Ringgold Elementary School North at a salary of \$53,000 – Step 15 – Masters Degree

Joseph Ianovale as a Ringgold Bus Driver effective Thursday, September 20, 2018

Donald Stettner as a Ringgold Bus Driver effective Thursday, September 20, 2018

Cynthia Hodge as a Ringgold Bus Driver effective Thursday, September 20, 2018

4. **Additions To The Substitute Rosters**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Gerard, granting permission to add the following persons to the substitute rosters:

Teacher

Victoria Day	Smithton, PA	Biology 7-12
Tiffany Nestor	Irwin, PA	Math 7-12
Robyn Hoover	Charleroi, PA	Bachelors of Science Degree: Special Ed/ Psychology/Sociology

Security Officer

Heather Lucy*	Scenery Hill, PA
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* Pending proper documentation

Aide

Stacy Manning	Bentleyville, PA
William Gaffey	Monongahela, PA
Seth Vlosich	New Eagle, PA
Heather Boles*	Finleyville, PA

* Pending proper documentation

Deana Kulbacki*	Monongahela, PA
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* Pending proper documentation

Clerical and Cafeteria

Stacy Manning	Bentleyville, PA
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Custodial

Richard Poland	New Eagle, PA
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Bus Driver Trainee

Lamar Russell	Monongahela, PA
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5. **Requests For Sabbaticals**

- a. The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Mauro, to grant a full school term Sabbatical Leave of Absence, as per the Contract, to Rebecca S. Horan, a Sixth Grade Teacher at Ringgold Middle School for the 2018-2019 school year.
- b. The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to grant a half school term Sabbatical Leave of Absence, as per the Contract, to Kimberly A. Long, a Kindergarten Teacher at Ringgold Elementary School South for the first half of the 2018-2019 school year.

6. **Request To Attend A Conference**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, granting permission for the following conference request:

Michelle Dvorchak	Annual PA School Counselors Association Conference
	November 29-30, 2018 Hershey, PA
TOTAL	\$589.00

7. **Employment Of An Assistant Principal**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Gerard, to employ Mary Grace Stutzman as an Assistant Principal at the Ringgold High School at a salary of \$85,000, pending proper documentation.

C. **Curriculum and Education – Chairperson: Mr. Mauro Co-chairpersons:
Mrs. Ott And Mr. Dodd**

1. **Approval Of The Ringgold School District 2018-2019 Assessment Plan**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept the 2018-2019 Ringgold School District Assessment Plan. A copy of the plan can be found in the Appendix of these Minutes on pages

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

No Report

E. Athletics – Chairperson: Mrs. Garry Co-chairpersons: Mr. Gerard And Mr. Mauro

1. Resignation Of A Coach

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Gerard, seconded by Mrs. Ott, to accept the resignation of Dave McDonough as a Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach effective, Friday, August 31, 2018.

2. Appointment Of Coaches

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Gerard, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to appoint the following coaches. Coaching 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 a condition of their employment. All clearances and a drug test are mandatory and have been received. The salary is based on the 2018-2019 Budget.

Football

Rodney Weaver – Assistant Varsity Coach at a salary of \$4,000.00

Golf

Chris Fibbi – Volunteer Assistant Coach

Boys Soccer

Eleazar Luciano – Volunteer Assistant Coach

Jeff Alvarez – Volunteer Assistant Coach

Nathaniel Patton – Volunteer Assistant Coach

Volleyball

Erin Zito – Assistant Varsity Coach at a salary of \$3,000.00

Jamie Hummer – Head Seventh Grade Coach at a salary of \$1,750.00

3. **PIAA Championship Requests**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Gerard, seconded by Mr. Dodd, granting permission, that if the following athlete(s) and/or team(s) qualify, they are permitted to attend the PIAA Championships.

- a. **Cross Country - November 3, 2018 in Hershey, PA**
- b. **Football - December 6-8, 2018 in Hershey, PA**
- c. **Golf - October 22-25, 2018 in York, PA**
- d. **Soccer - November 16-17, 2018 in Hershey, PA**
- e. **Girls Tennis - November 2-3, 2018 in Hershey, PA**
- f. **Volleyball -- November 17, 2018 in Johnstown, PA**

F. **Health And Nutrition – Chairperson: Mr. Dodd Co-chairpersons: Mrs. Glaneman And Mr. Mauro**

No Report

G. **Safety And Security – Chairperson: Mr. Kennedy Co-chairpersons: Mr. Stein And Mrs. Garry**

No Report

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

1. **Approval Of Private Contractors - 2018-2019**

The Board, by a unanimous vote to the call of the roll of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Gerard, approving the following private contracts to provide transportation to non-public schools within a ten mile radius of the District's boundaries and also for public school students who must be transported to special schools daily or on weekends for the 2018-2019 year.

Lisa Agostoni

1 Student	Bentworth Middle School – IU	\$120.00	Daily Rate
1 Student	Frazier High School	\$120.00	Daily Rate
2 Students	Madonna	\$ 30.00	Daily Rate
2 Students	Mon Valley School	\$140.00	Daily Rate

DMJ Transportation

2 Students	Ringgold Middle School	\$155.00	Daily Rate
3 Students	Ringgold Elem. School South		
	Monitor	\$ 80.00	Daily Rate
2 Students	Pace	\$195.00	Daily Rate
3 Students	DT Watson	\$195.00	Daily Rate
	Monitor	\$ 80.00	Daily Rate
3 Students	DT Watson	\$195.00	Daily Rate

First Student

5 Students	Central Christian Academy	\$238.02	Daily Rate
1 Student	St. Patrick		
11 Students	Seton LaSalle High School	\$238.02	Daily Rate
1 Student	St. Anne School		
8 Students	Laboratory	\$274.03	Daily Rate
	Monitor	\$ 86.41	Daily Rate
1 Student	WPS for Blind	\$274.03	Daily Rate
4 Students	Watson Institute South	\$274.03	Daily Rate
	Monitor	\$ 86.41	Daily Rate
1 Student	Easter Seals	\$238.02	Daily Rate

PA Coach Lines

2 Students	Ringgold High & Middle Schools	\$205.00	Daily Rate
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Gina Profrock

4 Students	Bentworth Partial	\$120.00	Daily Rate
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Pryor Bus Lines Inc.

1 Student	Transformation Learning	\$225.00	Daily Rate
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Mia Stodolak

2 Students	Madonna Catholic School	\$ 10.00	Daily Rate
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Joseph Tustin

1 Student	ACLD Tillotson	\$160.00	Daily Rate
1 Student	Wesley K-8		

2. **Requests For Use Of Facilities**

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mrs. Ott, seconded by Mr. Gerard, granting permission for the following use of facilities requests.

a. **Ringgold Area Youth Soccer Association (RAYSA) - Kristen Brodak**

What: Soccer practices and games

When: Various dates and times beginning on September 20, 2018 through October 28, 2018

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Specific dates and times will be coordinated depending upon availability of facility with school teams and activities.

Where: Armstrong, New Eagle, and Finleyville Fields as well as Joe Montana Stadium

Cost: No fees associated with this usage provided that the request occurs during normal operating hours and does not require the presence of additional custodial or security personnel.

b. **Feel the Rhythm Dance Studio – Michelle Trilli**

What: Dance rehearsals and recital

When: May 4, June 1, and June 8-9, 2019

Where: Ringgold High School Auditorium and Stage

Cost: Group will be charged fees for rental (\$100/day), custodial (\$30/hour) and security (\$20/hour).

Final dollar amount will be calculated at a date closer to the event once specific needs are determined.

c. **Ringgold Little Rams Wrestling – Jen Conroy**

What: Youth wrestling sign-ups

When: October 10 and October 15, 2018 from 6:15 PM – 8:15 PM

Where: Ringgold High School Lobby

Cost: No fees associated with this usage as the request occurs during normal operating hours and does not require the presence of additional custodial or security personnel.

d. **Ringgold Competitive Spirit Boosters – Beth Eslep**

What: Youth cheer camp

When: October 15 and October 18, 2018 from 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Where: Ringgold High School Gymnasium

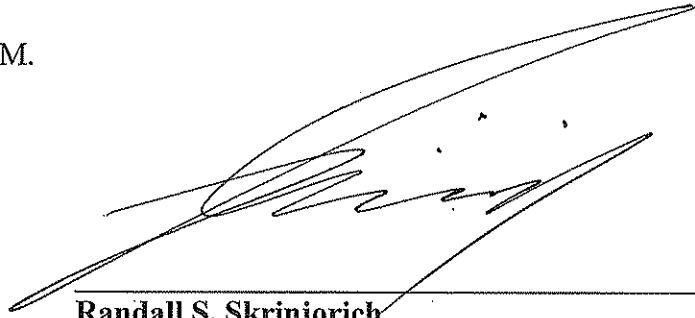
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Cost: No fees associated with this usage as the request occurs during normal operating hours and does not require the presence of additional custodial or security personnel.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The Board, by a unanimous voice vote of the seven members participating, approved a motion by Mr. Dodd, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to adjourn.

The Board adjourned at 8:05 P.M.



Randall S. Skrinjorich
Secretary of the Board
Ringgold Board of School Directors