

RILEY COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL  
District 18  
9406 Riley Road  
Marengo, IL 60152  
Wednesday, March 15, 2023  
7:00 PM  
School Library

### **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

School Board Members Borhart, Coffman, Kaczkos, Koelper, Maniates, and Millard answered roll call at 7:02PM. Also in attendance were Christine Conkling, Superintendent, Frank Vicari, Principal, Karen Schnable, Office Manager, Elizabeth Sheahan, Secretary. Member Nordmeyer was absent

Those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additional Agenda Items - None

#### **APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Freedom of Information Requests - Mike Powers, Sheet Metal Workers' Local 265: Current or planned projects for this year that include HVAC, Architectural Metals, Gutter, Lockers, Toilet Partitions, Kitchen Renovations, HVAC Maintenance Contracts.
- Approve destruction of Board of Education Executive Session Tape Recordings with 18 months longevity for the following meeting dates: September 15, 2021
- Financial Report February 2023
- Treasurer's Report: Bills Payable March 2023
- Approve Minutes of the Regular Board for February 15, 2023 and the Executive Closed Session Minutes for February 15, 2023.

A motion was made by Member Koelper to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Member Borhart seconded the motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Borhart - AYE  
Member Coffman - AYE  
Member Kaczkos – AYE  
Member Koelper - AYE  
Member Maniates – AYE  
Member Millard – AYE

#### **RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS – VIKING AWARDS**

February's Viking Award winners were 7<sup>th</sup> Grader Jennifer Zuniga and 6<sup>th</sup> Grader Krzysztof Sobusiak. The Board of Education members offered their congratulations and encouraged them to keep up the good work. Principal Vicari received many wonderful comments for both students.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Mrs. Campanelli, Riley School Teacher; Mr. Matz, Riley School bus driver

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

None

## **COMMUNICATIONS** - (items open for discussion no action)

- ISBE-Maintenance Grant Approval
- MASEF-Meeting Minutes for 10/4/2022

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- SEDOM-Seal School lease/move

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- State Fire Marshall walk-thru Inspection issues addressed
- CLIC Insurance Representative meeting and walk-thru inspection completed this week; issues addressed
- Boilers working OK; checked and monitored over past weekend
- SSR Consulting for heating inspection site visit Monday and Tuesday to complete thermos scan
- Newly hired Superintendent Jason Grey met with Superintendent Conkling, Principal Vicari, and staff on 3/8/23.
- Superintendent Conkling completing ESSER grant funding relief for 2023-2024 (curriculum)
- No teacher RIF at Riley for school year 2023-2024
- Current Junior High Science Teacher position open at Riley (filling from within)
- ESL numbers are over the allotted limit at Riley School; looking into hiring Bi-lingual Language Teacher (posting position); working with State on a strategic plan alternative for hiring in the interim.
- Superintendent Conkling reminded BOE that all Economic Interest Questionnaires due to Mrs. Schnable.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Camera system for new addition
- Disposal of Public Property-Bus
- Revised Maintenance and Health/Life Safety Project List
- 2023-2024 School Calendar
- Transportation Cooperative
- April 4, 2023 Election and Board Reorganization

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS – ENACT MOTIONS TO**

Motion tabled until after Closed Session discussion - Approve Personnel employment for 2023-2024.

Member Koepler made a motion to Appoint Sharon Ettner as Riley CCSD 18 Treasurer and secure Bond for Fiscal Year 2024. Member Maniates seconded the motion which carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Borhart - AYE  
Member Coffman - AYE  
Member Kaczko – AYE  
Member Koelper - AYE  
Member Maniates – AYE  
Member Millard – AYE  
Member Nordmeyer – AYE

Member Coffman made a motion to approve Appoint Elizabeth Sheahan as Treasurer of the Activity Fund and secure Bond for Fiscal Year 2024. Member Koelper seconded the motion which carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Borhart - AYE  
Member Coffman - AYE  
Member Kaczko – AYE  
Member Koelper - AYE  
Member Maniates – AYE  
Member Millard – AYE

Member Coffman made a motion to Approve Graduation date for 2022-2023 School Year for May 31, 2023. Member Koelper seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Borhart made a motion to Approve 2023-2024 School Calendar. Member Millard seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Member Coffman made a motion to Approve Maintenance Grant for \$50,000.00 to be used for District asbestos abatement projects. Member Borhart seconded the motion which carried on unanimously.

Member Maniates made a motion to Approve purchase of cameras for the cafeteria addition not to exceed \$24K. Member Coffman seconded the motion which carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Borhart - AYE  
Member Coffman - AYE  
Member Kaczko – AYE  
Member Koelper - AYE  
Member Maniates – AYE  
Member Millard – AYE

A motion was made by Member Koelper to enter Closed Session at 8:20PM. Member Millard seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Member Coffman to return to Open Session at 8:45PM. Member Borhart seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Member Kaczkos to Approve employment for 2023-2024 as follows:

Non-Tenured Certified Staff Full and Part-Time: Donna Fischer, Social Worker; Taylor Rogers, Teacher; Amber Schueler, Teacher; Anmarie Pranjic, Teacher

NCLB Aides: Leticia Gomez, Jill Hernandez, Meghan Holst, Pam McAllister, Gay Wilson, Jill Turner, Nora Perez

Bus Drivers: Geri Doane, Chris Felde, Lori King, Yvonne Maniates, John Matz, Nora Perez, Yesenia Vasquez, Julie Bough

Custodial/ Maintenance: Larry Greif and Bob Uden

Bus Mechanic: Ernie Grimm

Cafeteria: Lori King, Chris Felde, Julie Grismer

Office Manager: Elizabeth Sheahan

Office Assistant: Yvonne Maniates

Business Manager and Transportation Director: Karen Schnable

Member Koelper seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**PRESIDENT'S CALL FOR ANY COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

None

A motion was made by Member Coffman to adjourn the Board of Education meeting at 8:50PM. The motion was seconded by Member Borhart which carried unanimously.

The Next Regular Board of Education Meeting will be April 19, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elizabeth A. Sheahan, Riley School Secretary

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Mr. Bryan Millard – President

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Mrs. Victoria Kaczkos - Secretary