

# The “Morning” After

February 17, 2021

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Tuesday, February 16, 2021, President G. Allen Crist called the regular meeting of the River Ridge Community Unit School District #210 Board of Education to order at 6:30 PM. Board Members G. Allen Crist, Barb Schaible, Amy Finn and Lisa Walters answered roll call. President Crist announced a quorum was established. Member Haring entered at 6:36 PM and Member Diestelmeier entered at 6:48 PM. Member Don McLane was absent. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Beau Buchs, Principal Mike Foltz, a member of the RREA and a parent.

Approved the February agenda as presented.

Presentation from the audience, parent concerns on the Culturally Responsive Teaching and Leading Standards.

Approved the minutes of the January 19, 2021, Regular and Executive Session Board Meeting and Reviewed/Release Executive Session Minutes from August 17, 2020 – December 21, 2020.

Reviewed and accepted the Treasurer, Investment and Activity reports. Approved and authorized payment of \$655,591.13 for bills and payroll.

Superintendent Albrecht reviewed the Jo Daviess Carroll Career Technical Education Academy Board of Control minutes from February 1, 2021. Grant Funds, FY22 Projected Enrollment and Day Care Program proposal.

## Administrators News:

- 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School was February 1<sup>st</sup>. Students were able to involve several math projects in the primary grades dealing with counting and getting to the 100<sup>th</sup> day.
- The Kindergarten “Q & U” wedding would have been on February 12<sup>th</sup>. This year would have been the 18<sup>th</sup> year of the event. Due to the covid guidelines, the event did not take place.
- March 5<sup>th</sup> - End of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
- March 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Preschool Screening/No Preschool Attendance
- March 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Parent-Teacher Conferences 3-7 PM (1:30 dismissals each day)
- March 12<sup>th</sup> - No School
- March 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> HS Play (In person, 50 people at this time) and will be live streamed.
- April 24<sup>th</sup> – Prom (only Saturday with a live feed of the grand march).
- Students earned “Goal Crusher” Wildcat T-shirts for meeting their Accelerated Reader Goals in January. Over 100 students earned their shirts. Thank you to Tara Ketelsen for organizing the shirts and helping get them to the students!
- Boys and Girls basketball seasons were opened up early February thru mid March. All home games will be played in the big gym and will be live streamed via the NFHS network.
- State testing will be April 4<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. There has been some talk from the State of Illinois about applying for a federal waiver due to Covid; however, at this time the plan is to administer the tests during this window.
- Mary Scott won the FFA section job interview CDE and will represent the section at the district competition in April. The FFA Chapter won the section Poultry CDE and had the highest scoring individual, Trevor Grube. Charlie Schnitzler, Trevor Grube, Kari Conklin and Ashley Carroll passed the section level inspection for State FFA Degrees.

Superintendent Albrecht reported on staff updates, Board Election – April 6<sup>th</sup>, updated laws and mandates, bus bids, 4 people working on getting their bus drivers license and snow removal.

After executive session the Board took the following action:

Approved the reassignment of Celia Hartman to Preschool for the 2021-2022 school year.

Employed Cora Holland for the Middle School Math position for the 2021-2022 school year.

Employed Laura Kuzniar for the PS-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal position for the 2021-2022 school year.

Subject for approval at the next regular meeting of the Board, March 15, 2021