

RIVER FOREST COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

**Tuesday, September 29, 2015
School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
Minutes**

River Forest HS Auditorium in the Round, 3300 Indiana Street, Hobart, IN 46342

1.0 Call to Order – 7:00 p.m.

- 1.01 Roll Call – James Halcomb and School Board Attorney Dan Whitten were absent. All other board members were present along with Superintendent Steven Disney and Assistant Superintendent James Thorne.
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – Marshall Gilliana
- 1.03 Requested Visitor Participation - none
- 1.04 Consideration to approve Agenda for September 29, 2015 – Dr. Disney recommended the board approve the agenda with no changes. Mrs. Trezak moved to approve the agenda, Mrs. Trezak seconded, and the motion carried.
- 1.05 **Public Hearing on the River Forest Community School Corporation 2016 Budget which includes the Debt Service Fund, Pension Debt Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Operating Referendum Fund, Bus Replacement Fund, General Fund, and Transportation Fund.** Dr. Disney said that as required by law we advertised the budget in the papers. We are now required to have a hearing on the budget in case anyone has any questions and then we are looking to approve it at the October meeting. There were no questions or comments.

2.0 Consent Agenda

- 2.01 Minutes – September 15, 2015
- 2.02 Financial Reports, Payroll Claims, Vendor Claims - \$
- 2.03 Programs
- 2.04 Resignations/Non-Renewals/Retirement
 - 2.04.01 HS Boys Assistant Boys Basketball Coach – Elliott Bajda
- 2.05 Employment and Transfers
 - 2.05.01 HS Curriculum Coordinator – Jessica DeRolf

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2.06 Leave Requests

2.06.01 Steven Disney and Mark Sopko – testify in at Indiana Statehouse –
10/19/2015

2.06.02 Heather Barkauskas – Indiana Library Federation Conference – 11/16 &
11/17/15 - Indianapolis

2.07 Use of Facilities

2.08 Donations

2.08.01 One year school-wide subscription to Flocabulary valued at \$1,600 to
Evans Elementary School

Mrs. Martin moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Trezak seconded and the motion carried.

3.0 Old Business - None

4.0 New Business/Discussion/Action Items

4.01 Superintendent's contract. Consideration to approve Superintendent's request to remove current unfunded retirement liability in Superintendent's approved and renewed contract. Dr. Disney said that in reviewing all the contracts with the bargaining groups it is apparent that we need to have no unfunded liability in contracts. That needs to begin with the Superintendent's contract. He recommended that the board vote to change the wording in his benefits package from "receive from the Employer, without cost to the retired Superintendent, full coverage in the single group health plan" to read instead, "receive from the Employer, with the retired Superintendent paying the cost, full coverage in the single group health plan." Mrs. Martin moved to approve the change of wording in the Superintendent's benefit package as recommended. Mr. Mefford seconded and the motion carried.

4.02 Consideration of recommendation to ratify the 2015-2016 contract between the Board of School Trustees of the River Forest Community School Corporation and the River Forest Teachers' Association - Dr. Disney said we just finished negotiating with the teachers last Thursday. He complimented Jim Weitzel and Carol Presdorf and the bargaining team and thanked them for their cooperation and their work. He recommended the board ratify this contract and said that the teachers ratified last Friday. Mr. Mefford moved to ratify the 2015-2016 contract with the teachers, Mrs. Trezak seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Other Business Items/Curriculum & Instruction - None

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6.0 Informational Agenda Items

6.01 Board Communication – None

6.02 Superintendent/Building Reports – None

6.03 Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the board, Mrs. Martin moved to adjourn and Mr. Mefford seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

H. Marshall Gilliana II, President

Michelle Martin, Secretary

David Mefford, Member

Linda Trezak, Member