

RIVER FOREST COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

Tuesday, October 13, 2015
School Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
Minutes

Evans Elementary School Gymnasium, 2915 E. 35th Avenue, Lake Station, IN 46405

1.0 Call to Order – 7:05 p.m.

- 1.01 Roll Call – All board members were present along with Superintendent Steven Disney, Assistant Superintendent James Thorne, and School Board Attorney Dan Whitten.
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance – Marshall Gilliana
- 1.03 Requested Visitor Participation – Dr. Disney told everyone that we're happy to be hosted by Evans for the meeting tonight. Mr. Wielgus introduced Mrs. Wrolen, Ms. Petrak, and Ms. Presdorf and he thanked the board for giving kids the opportunity for the wonderful Camp Tecumseh experience. Mrs. Wrolen also thanked the board and then fifth grade students read papers about their camp experience.
- 1.04 Consideration to approve Agenda for October 13, 2015 – Mr. Gilliana said he would entertain a motion to amend tonight's agenda to change the recommendation for 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach to Rodney Thompson. Mr. Halcomb moved to amend the agenda, Mrs. Martin seconded, and the motion carried. Mrs. Martin moved approve the amended agenda, Mrs. Trezak seconded, and the motion carried.
- 1.05 Consideration of Adoption of 2016 Budget, Resolution 06-15 - Dr. Disney said we've had our public work session, advertised, and held a public hearing on the proposed budget. He asked Mrs. Styx, our Treasurer, to comment. Mrs. Styx said we advertised high to consider budget cuts from the state and asked if anyone had questions. There were no questions, so Dr. Disney recommended adoption of the 2016 Budget, Resolution 06-15. Mr. Halcomb moved to adopt the 2016 Budget, Resolution 06-15. Mr. Mefford seconded and the motion carried.
- 1.06 Consideration of Adoption of 2016 Capital Projects Plan, Resolution 07-15 – Dr. Disney said this is our three year Capital Projects Fund. It is amended each year as our needs change. The fund is relatively small and is used basically for things like utilities, technology, and fixing roofs. He asked the board to consider adoption of the plan. Mrs. Martin moved to adopt the 2016 Capital Projects Plan, Resolution 07-15. Mrs. Trezak seconded and the motion carried.
- 1.07 Consideration of Adoption of 2016 Bus Replacement Plan, Resolution 08-15 – Dr. Disney said that as part of statute each district has to have a 12 year bus replacement

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plan. He asked the board to consider adoption of the plan. Mr. Halcomb moved to adopt the 2016 Bus Replacement Plan, Resolution 08-15. Mrs. Trezak seconded and the motion carried.

2.0 Consent Agenda

- 2.01 Minutes – September 29, 2015
- 2.02 Financial Reports, Payroll Claims, Vendor Claims - \$1,172,309.23
- 2.03 Programs
- 2.04 Resignations/Non-Renewals/Retirement
- 2.05 Employment and Transfers
 - 2.05.01 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach – Rodney Thompson
- 2.06 Leave Requests
 - 2.06.01 Deb Pavloff – Komputrol Annual Meeting – Daleville, IN – 11/10/15
 - 2.06.02 Paula Thompson – IASN 2015 School Nurse Conference – Indianapolis – 11/4 & 11/5/15
 - 2.06.03 Steve Disney & Jim Thorne – IAPSS Annual state meeting – Indianapolis – 12/13–12/15/15
 - 2.06.04 John Fazekas – School Bus Manufacturer & Maintenance Training – South Carolina – 12/7/15 – 12/11/15 no cost to district
- 2.07 Use of Facilities
- 2.08 Donations
 - 2.08.01 Skillman Corporation - \$500.00 to RF Uniforms

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

3.0 Old Business - None

4.0 New Business/Discussion/Action Items

- 4.01 Consideration of adoption of Resolution 09-15 – Dr. Disney said that this resolution gives him and Mrs. Styx authority to reduce items in the advertised budget in lines 1 or 2 of form 3 as necessary once we receive the results of the Department of Local Government Finance Field Hearing. He asked the board to consider adoption of this resolution.

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Mrs. Trezak moved to adopt Resolution 09-15, Mrs. Martin seconded, and the motion carried.

5.0 Other Business Items/Curriculum & Instruction - None

6.0 Informational Agenda Items

- 6.01 Board Communication – Dr. Disney said that Mr. Kissell requested to talk to the board and he invited anyone else who was interested to stay after the meeting for the discussion.
- 6.02 Superintendent/Building Reports – Dr. Disney asked Dr. Thorne to update the board on WIDA testing. Dr. Thorne said we should finish in the next couple of days and then our next step will be to utilize the data. He gave credit to our teachers and to Michelle Worries and Robin Mores for all their work in this new test. Dr. Disney said we began on day one looking at technology in our district and we still have a long way to go because we did have major technology problems. We've utilized e-rate and received funding along with a state loan and he complimented Michelle Worries and Robin Mores for all their work. We're at a point where Meister is on line with the wireless infrastructure and in November Evans will be and then the middle school and high school in January. There was a tremendous amount of work put in to getting us there.
- 6.03 Adjournment – There being no further business to come before the board, Mrs. Martin moved to adjourn and Mr. Halcomb seconded. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

H. Marshall Gilliana II, President

James Halcomb, Vice President

Michelle Martin, Secretary

David Mefford, Member

Linda Trezak, Member