

RILEY COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL
District 18
9406 Riley Road
Marengo, IL 60152

Wednesday, January 18, 2012
7:00 PM

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

School Board Members Peters, Behnke, Aubry, and Schnable answered roll call at 7:02 PM. Board Members Mitchell, Northcutt and Haeflinger were not present. Members of the public in attendance were Ms. Lindsey, Kenneth & Roger McCormick, Mr. Kunszinsky, Mr. & Mrs. Durkin, Claire, Finnbar and Grace Durkin, Mr. & Mrs. Bauer, Adam Bauer and Mrs. Wojcik. Also in attendance were Mrs. Conkling, Mrs. Schnable, Mrs. Rooney, and Mr. Trickett.

Superintendent Trickett requested that Item "F" be added to the agenda regarding resignation of Gretchen Mallegni as boys' volleyball coach. President Behnke asked the Board members if there were any objections, hearing none he approved the request.

There were two Freedom of Information requests: One from Crossroads Kids Club and one from Bruce Peleschak. There were no questions on the December Financial Report, January Treasurers' Report: Bills Payable or the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2011. Superintendent Trickett added \$75.00 to the bills to pay Mr. Jeff Grimm \$50.00 for telephone pole to mount a light for the fuel tank and to pay Mr. Ernie Grimm \$25.00 for his assistance in installing the pole. McHenry County Office of Assessments sent us the Certificate of Status of Exempt Property for which we have none. Superintendent Trickett would like the Board of Education's recommendation to begin preparing the 2012-2013 school year budget. Recommendation from the Board of Education is warranted to appoint Superintendent Trickett and Mrs. Karen Schnable, Business Manager, as the Privacy Officer(s) for Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Approval of the McHenry County Regional Office of Education Quarterly Report of pupils no longer enrolled in school for the first and second quarter. The Board of Education accepted a donation of \$616.43 from the Marengo Knights of Columbus and \$300.00 from NAPA Lindsay Auto Parts, Inc.

Member Peters made a motion to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Member Aubry seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

The Viking Award winners for the month of December were 7th grader Claire Durkin and 7th grader Kenneth McCormick. Adam Bauer was also recognized for receiving the Viking Award for the month of November. Congratulations to all of you.

PUBLIC INPUT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

The Illinois Association of School Boards is calling for proposals to be presented at the IASB, IASA, and IASBO Joint Annual Conference November 16-18, 2012. The deadline is 5:00pm, February 17, 2012. Superintendent Trickett informed the Board of a reference on page two of Hodges Loizzi Eisenhammer Rodick and Kohn LLP newsletter that if approved by the Governor, we will no longer be able to have less than a full day on the first and last day of our school year. School districts are allowed to early dismiss for school improvement purposes based upon accumulated time beyond the 300 minutes required for a day of instruction. A letter was given to the Board from Madsen Sugden & Gottemoller, law firm, providing an opinion to Riley Township regarding their authority to correct the legal description of the Town Hall property without going to the public. Mr. Fischer, surveyor, will submit the survey and revised legal description needed to Mr. Jay Filler, attorney, who will proceed with drafting the Quick Claim Deed. Member Peters asked if we have been responsible for any of the expenses. Superintendent Trickett informed Member Peters that we paid \$83.00 for the opinion letter from Joseph Gottemoller and will pay for the cost to have the Riley Township Survey revised. Members Behnke, Northcutt, Mitchell, and Haeflinger with Superintendent Trickett will attend the Open Meetings Act Training for School Board Members on February 9, 2012, at Sycamore Middle School. All Board Members in office as of January 1, 2012, are required to take this training by January 1, 2013. After meeting with Ms. Moore, our Technology Director, and Principal Conkling, Superintendent Trickett is recommending that the Technology Plan to be revised this year be delayed until the fall of the 2012/13 school year. Presently, we do not receive any grant money for technology and in years past it has been minimal (under \$1,000.00). The final inspection has been performed on the roof and the warranty has been issued. The final payment has also been issued. Member Peters asked if we used any of the \$2,000 contingency money. Superintendent Trickett commented the contingency had not been used as part of the original roof replacement, however, he requested installation of additional sheet metal flashing on another part of the roof that had been damaged for a cost of \$400.00.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

AimsWeb benchmark testing for math and reading will be completed this week. Mrs. Dunker and Mrs. Conkling will start the Access testing for the ESL students starting on Monday, January 23, 2012. These tests are very time consuming as they need to be administered individually. The testing deadline for the Access tests is February 10, 2012. Marengo Community High School came out to administer the Explore test to our 8th grade students. The results of these tests aid the high school in their student placements. We generally receive the results of these tests by the end of the school year. Mrs. Conkling contacted the company who manufactured our lockers requesting some replacement parts, which were provided free of charge. Mr. Girgens will be replacing the parts as needed. Girls' basketball season has started with games beginning next week. The U.S. Centers for Disease and Prevention is conducting the School Health Policies and Practices Study and has asked certain individuals in specific areas at Riley School to participate in an on line survey. This survey is to help get a better understanding how schools contribute to the health and well-being of our

Nation's young people and to the communities they serve. President Behnke asked how our attendance has been during the cold and flu season. Mrs. Conkling said attendance has been good.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Trickett reported that the bus shed is complete. The structural engineer from Cleary Buildings inspected the building and is sending a crew to replace some hardware. All the electric to the building and lights on the building have been installed. Miller Electric will be installing a LED light and a shut off valve for the fuel tank as part of the original quote. The light pole was installed by Doug Kunde of Kunde Excavation. Superintendent Trickett believes the overall savings cost for installation of the lighting will be approximately \$300-\$500 from the original quotation due to the Grimms' generosity. Superintendent Trickett advised the Board that the bus shed drawings may need to be stamped by an architect. The permit was issued based upon the signature of Cleary's structural engineering firm. If this is necessary, Mr. Trickett will contact Bradley and Bradley. Carr's Air Maintenance has been replacing actuators for our heating units as needed; the actuators cost \$300.00 each plus installation time. The boiler has been brought up to code as indicated in our Life/Health Safety inspection. Brachmann Construction has not started the cabinet and wall improvements per Superintendent's request. We are waiting on the drawings from Bradley and Bradley Architects for the boiler room dividing wall. Member Peters asked if the change of 1/4" doors to 3/8" doors was a problem. Superintendent Trickett informed Corey Brackmann on the bid sheet that 1/4" doors were not acceptable requesting a minimum of 3/8" thickness.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The Marengo Area Schools have met and discussed next year's calendar. Riley and Zion are waiting to see the Marengo Community High School final calendar adoption before making a final recommendation. Riley School's calendar committee has provided the administration with their recommendations and a calendar adoption recommendation will be presented at the February 15, 2012, Board of Education Meeting. Riley is tentatively looking at an August 20, 2012, start date and, depending on days for winter break and snow days, school could end prior to June, 2013. The high school is planning a comprehensive summer school program for incoming 8th grade graduates; and this may impact on graduation and the final day of attendance for graduates.

IASB supplied us with a 13 minute video on Goal Setting. It was decided to table the viewing of the video until all Board Members are present. Superintendent Trickett inquired on the expense of having IASB personnel present a workshop on goal setting. There is a \$1,000.00 charge for a full day and \$600.00 charge for a half day workshop. President Behnke would like Superintendent Trickett to coordinate a Saturday morning meeting between IASB personnel and Riley School Board Members for the purpose of goal setting, sometime in the next three months.

NEW BUSINESS

All Board Members present signed the Acknowledgement of Mandated Reporter Status. The remaining signatures will be attained when present.

Member Aubry made a motion to approve Board of Education Members Acknowledgement of Mandated Reporter Status. Member Schnable seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

There were three corrections to the Certified Seniority List presented by Superintendent Trickett for 2011-2012.

Member Schnable made a motion to approve the Certified Staff Seniority and Extra-Support Personnel (ESP) lists for school year 2011-2012. Member Aubry seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Superintendent Trickett and Mrs. Schnable have completed the CLIC renewal application. Answers provided are based on estimations.

Member Schnable made a motion to approve the 7/1/10 Renewal Application Collective Liability Insurance cooperative (CLIC) for 2012-2013. Consisting of, but not limited to, Property, Casualty, Workmen's Compensation, Liability, Vehicle, etc. Member Peters seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

McHenry County Clerk has requested a list of all personnel who are required to submit Statements of Economic Interest. Mrs. Conkling asked if personnel on the negotiating committee are required to submit Statements of Economic Interest. Superintendent Trickett said only if required by the District. The deadline for submitting Statements of Economic Interest is May 1, 2012. All personnel on this letter will receive a form from McHenry County for submission. There is a \$100.00 fee if anyone does not comply.

Member Schnable made a motion to approve Riley CCDS 18 list of people who should submit Statements of Economic Interest to McHenry County Clerk. Member Aubry seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Specialty Floors, Inc. submitted their budget quote 2012 for the cleaning and finishing of our gym floor for \$1,195.00 to be completed on July 27, 2012. Member Peters questioned the requirement of tape removal and has there been a problem in the past. Mrs. Conkling mentioned that when the floor was completely stripped a few years ago, Specialty Floors repainted boundary lines as requested by Ms. Marsh. This significantly reduces the use of tape, with the exception of a few lines that were incorrectly applied. Tape removal has not been an issue for Riley School.

Member Peters made a motion to accept Specialty Floors Inc., quote of \$1,195.00 to clean and finish gym wood floors. Member Aubry seconded the motion which carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Member Haeflinger - ABSENT	Member Northcutt – ABSENT
Member Behnke – AYE	Member Mitchell – ABSENT
Member Aubry – AYE	Member Schnable – AYE
Member Peters – AYE	

Member Peters asked Mrs. Conkling if there was a specific reason why Mrs. Mallegni has decided not to coach. Mrs. Conkling cannot answer for Mrs. Mallegni.

Member Aubry made a motion to regretfully accept Mrs. Mallegni's resignation from boys' volleyball for the 2012 season. Member Schnable seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Superintendent Trickett plans to review with the Principal and Athletic Director the status of our sports program with regard to sports offered and student participation for the 2012-13 school year. Mrs. Conkling said that Districts are looking to combine, which will put small schools at a disadvantage competing with a much larger enrollment which will also increase travel times and distances.

Our next Board of Education meeting will be Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 7:00 PM.

Member Schnable made a motion to adjourn at 7:49PM. Member Aubry seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Jay Behnke – President

Mrs. Anita Mitchell – Secretary