

River Valley Board of Education
RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
15480 Three Oaks Road
Three Oaks, Michigan 49128
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Regular Meeting – RV Middle/High School Library
Monday, August 27, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Members Present: Phillip Bender, Cheryl Capiak, Michael Ehlert, John Pawlik, David Whitlow

Members Absent: Fred Knutel, Vickie Wagner

Administrators Present: Superintendent William Kearney, Business Manager Brian Brown, Chikaming Principal Heidi Clark, Three Oaks Principal Patrick Zuccala, and Middle High School Principal Patrick Breen

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pawlik.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

President Pawlik led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approval of Agenda as Presented

Approved the agenda for the August 27, 2018 regular Board meeting.

3.2 Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2018

Approved regular meeting minutes.

3.3 Approve Superintendent's Monthly Travel Reimbursement Request

Approved Superintendent Kearney's travel reimbursement total of \$49.05 for July 16, 2018 – August 15, 2018.

3.4 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Girls' Junior Varsity Basketball Coach

Approved the employment of Shawn Gedert.

3.5 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Girls' Middle School Volleyball Coach

Approved the employment of Amy Coleman.

3.6 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Bus Driver

Approved the employment of Timothy Williams.

Moved by Bender, supported by Ehlert, to approve the consent agenda for August 27, 2018 regular Board meeting as presented. All Ayes. Motion carried.

4.0 Presentation – Strategic Planning

Jack Temsey from the Michigan Association of School Boards gathered input from stakeholders which consisted of Board members and individuals present at the Board meeting. There was discussion regarding the strategic planning process, timelines, and scheduling a retreat comprised of River Valley Board members, community members, and staff members.

5.0 Reports

5.1 Principals

Each principal updated the Board on various activities/events that occurred in their buildings throughout the summer.

5.2 Superintendent

Superintendent Kearney updated the Board on School Law Notes and provided a progress update on the following: Student Achievement, Staff Professional Development, Learning Environment/Facilities, and Community Relations. Discussion followed.

The Superintendent scheduled a Finance Committee meeting for October 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. to review the audit report.

5.3 Personnel Committee

Cheryl Capiak, Personnel Committee Chairperson, reported that the Committee met prior to the Board meeting on Monday, August 27, 2018. The Committee reviewed new hire recommendations.

6.0 Hearing of Persons Present

No public comment was offered.

7.0 Correspondence

Superintendent Kearney announced that the Board received correspondence from the following:

- Jeff Strefling – Letter of Resignation (Girls' JV Basketball Coach) – July 17, 2018
- Walt Yeske – Letter of Resignation/Retirement (Custodian) – July 18, 2018
- Eric Milton – Letter of Resignation (Teacher Assistant) – July 31, 2018
- Alexandra Milton – Letter of Resignation (English Teacher) – July 31, 2018
- Kevin Davis – Letter of Resignation (Assistant Varsity Wrestling Coach) – August 15, 2018

8.0 Items for Board Action**8.1 Approve the Accounts Payable Report for August 2018 and the Treasurer's Report for July 2018**

Moved by Capiak, supported by Bender, to approve the Accounts Payable Report for August 2018 and the Treasurer's Report for July 2018 as presented by the Business Manager. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.2 Adopt Administrative Guidelines and Board Policy Revisions

Moved by Ehlert, supported by Whitlow, to adopt the proposed Administrative Guidelines and Board Policy revisions (Volume 32 – No. 2, Tech Phase IV, and Special Social Media Update) as recommended by NEOLA, the Superintendent, and the Curricula/Policy Committee. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.3 Approve Merit Pay Plans for Teachers and Support Staff

Moved by Whitlow, supported by Bender, to approve the merit pay plans for teachers and support staff as recommended by the Superintendent. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.4 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Middle High School Math Teacher

Moved by Capiak, supported by Whitlow, to approve the employment of Janet Drews as recommended by the Middle High School Principal and the Superintendent. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.5 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Middle High School English Teacher

Moved by Whitlow, supported by Ehlert, to approve the employment of Karen Church as recommended by the Middle High School Principal and the Superintendent pending the receipt and approval of all required employment documents by the Superintendent. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.6 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Middle High School Social Studies Teacher

Moved by Capiak, supported by Bender, to approve the employment of Victoria Johns as recommended by the Middle High School Principal and the Superintendent pending the

receipt and approval of all required employment documents by the Superintendent. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.7 Approve Recommendation to Hire an Elementary Teacher

Moved by Bender, supported by Ehlert, to approve the employment of Jason Kuntz as recommended by the Three Oaks Elementary Principal and the Superintendent pending the receipt and approval of all required employment documents by the Superintendent. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.8 Approve Recommendation to Hire a Middle High School Band/Choir Director

Moved by Ehlert, supported by Capiak, to approve the employment of Kirsten Pagel as recommended by the Middle High School Principal and the Superintendent pending the receipt and approval of all required employment documents by the Superintendent. All Ayes. Motion carried.

9.0 Items for Board Discussion

There were no items for Board discussion.

10.0 Adjournment

Moved by Capiak, supported by Ehlert, to adjourn the regular meeting for August 27, 2018 at 8:19 p.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

David Whitlow, Secretary
River Valley Board of Education

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