

**Riverdale Board of Education
Rock Island County
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 25, 2024**

Call to Order

President Baldwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Scott Beeler, Blake Enloe, Kevin Mahraun, Vice President Todd Jackson, President Tim Baldwin, Wendy Kelley (arrived at 7:01 p.m.), Amber Sensabaugh (arrived at 7:01 p.m.)

Public Participation

Cheerleading Coach Val Pennock, shared safety and growth concerns about the need for an asst. cheerleading coach.

Superintendent Temple and Board President Baldwin commented that the cheerleaders did a great job at the games.

Student Ambassador Reports

Ian Smiddy showed a picture of the benches ordered as the senior gift. He said they may be adding more or a cover for the benches. The goal is to have a special place for the students to enjoy the school campus. The senior parents put a lot of fundraising and work into this.

Superintendent Temple added that it is a very nice gift and thanked the senior class.

Principal Stewart also added that it is an awesome gift and that he is very appreciative of all the senior class has done. He is hopeful that the benches will be delivered soon so the seniors can enjoy the use of the benches before graduating.

William Cox said that they are looking into getting next year's student ambassadors by spreading the word, ways to increase involvement, and to get the word out. They want to have a broader overview of what students want to change and see on the reports.

Adam Benoit talked about having dual credit and AP courses for interested students. Looking at logistics of teachers in the building who would be able to teach them or Blackhawk teachers to come out to our school. This is a great opportunity for students to experience what college classes feel like and a great way to cut cost by expanding more options for students.

Principal Reports

Principal reports are attached.

Health Insurance Renewals

Superintendent Temple said the initial health insurance renewal reflected an increase of 18.5% with a change in prescription drug coverage and copays. After negotiating, we were able to secure an increase rate of 12.5%. Our broker requested proposals from alternate carriers with similar plans, receiving only one with an initial increase of 27.7%. We are meeting with our broker and insurance committee later this week for further discussion.

Elementary Classroom Renovation Update

Superintendent Temple said demolition is complete, new walls are being framed, new HVAC duct is being installed, and anticipates the 3rd grade rooms will be back together before summer break. Like any remodel, a few unknowns were uncovered: water damage and signs of exterior mold and mildew growth which we will use a liquid sealer on the outside of the whole building; remove and replace drywall and insulation and install a vapor barrier; repair a broken downspout which was plugged and caused leaks; move fire alarms and data drops; some existing ductwork above the ceiling was not insulated.

FOIA Requests

We received one from the Illinois Retired Teachers Association requesting names and emails of certified employees retiring at the end of the current school year.

Consent Agenda (*approve as presented*)

- A. Open/Closed Session Minutes 2/26/2024
- B. Financial Reports
- C. Board Policy 6:230 Library Media Program – 2nd Reading
- D. Renew Annual Illinois Elementary and High School Association Memberships
- E. Personnel 1-7

Motion (Mahraun), Second (Enloe) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

BusRight Software

Motion to approve the purchase of BusRight transportation software program.

Motion (Kelley), Second (Beeler) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Elementary Renovations

Motion to approve elementary school renovation change orders.

Motion (Enloe), Second (Mahraun) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Additional Positions

Motion to approve the addition of a middle school interventionist/data specialist, high school cross country asst. coach, and high school cheerleading asst. coach.

Motion (Kelley), Second (Sensabaugh) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Elementary Ceiling Grid and Tile

Motion to approve Fineline Construction to replace ceiling grid and tile from the elementary gym to library hallway.

Motion (Mahraun), Second (Kelley) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Elementary Classroom Lights

Motion to approve Rock River Electric to replace classroom lights from the elementary gym to library hallway and classrooms.

Motion (Sensabaugh), Second (Kelley) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Pre-kindergarten Flooring

Motion to approve L&L Flooring to replace the carpet in Pre-kindergarten areas.

Motion (Enloe), Second (Beeler) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Closed Session

Motion to move to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and dismissal of specific employees of the public body at 7:59 p.m.

Motion (Kelley), Second (Mahraun) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Open Session

Motion to return to open session at 9:42 p.m.

Motion (Jackson), Second (Mahraun) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Personnel (*Approved as presented under Consent Agenda, pending all requirements are met.*)

1. Kristina Bailey, approve resignation as high school special education paraprofessional, 3/8/24.
2. Michaela Gordon, approve resignation as high school special education paraprofessional, 3/8/24.
3. Taylor Hendrix, approve resignation as 9th grade volleyball coach, end of 2023-24.
4. Paula Zigler, approve resignation as varsity asst. volleyball coach, end of 2023-24.
5. Nancy Bartscher, approve as elementary special education paraprofessional, 2024-25.
6. Ellie Mitton, approve as varsity asst. volleyball coach, 2024-25.
7. Dalton Cathcart, approve as middle school track volunteer, effective when all requirements are met.

(Not approved under Consent Agenda)

8. Motion to approve the employment status of non-tenured teachers as presented for 2024-25.

Motion (Jackson), Second (Sensabaugh) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

Motion (Sensabaugh), Second (Kelley) – Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried