

Riverdale C.U.S.D. #100
Rock Island County
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 25, 2017

The Board of Education of Riverdale C.U.S.D. #100 met in the High School Library, 9622 256th Street North, Port Byron, Illinois, for a Regular Meeting.

Call to Order

President Plumb called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Tim Baldwin, Todd Jackson, Rick Kessler, Vice President Todd Caves, President Brian Plumb; Absent: Jim Toppert, Tom Walston

Public Participation

Middle School Teacher Jen Temple, spoke on behalf of middle school teachers, saying that by having students receive more time in math and reading, they were hoping it would increase scores. However, they feel they are seeing the opposite effect with larger class sizes (35-36), bad student behavior, lower skill levels, and lower self-esteem. They feel that students are not being challenged, and will not be ready for higher levels. There are not enough labs or textbooks. They are hoping to hire more teachers for computer skills, music, and STEM. They would like to prep our students for the kind of jobs that will be in high demand in the future.

Superintendent Jacobs thanked Mrs. Temple and Middle School colleagues for handling this situation, and always doing what is right for the District. He also asked them to figure out what electives can be fit into the schedule.

Principal Reports

Reports are attached.

Facility Projects

Superintendent Jacobs updated Board members on potential facility planning, as we await our CSFT. The Board engaged performance contracting company Ameresco. The next step is to compare lists, determine priorities, and discuss how much debt we are willing to take on. Superintendent Jacobs stated that the roof at the middle school remains a high priority.

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Superintendent Jacobs asked the Board to set a date for a Committee of the Whole Meeting, which was scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at 5:30 p.m., in the Administrative Office.

FOIA

There were no FOIA requests.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the following as presented:

- Open/Closed Session Minutes, 8/28/17
- Accounts Payable/Financial Reports
- Personnel, 1-2

Motion (Kessler), Second (Baldwin) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.

Budget

Motion to approve the Budget for the 2017-18 school year.

Motion (Jackson), Second (Baldwin) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.

Outdoor Club

Motion to approve an Outdoor Recreational Club, Sponsored by Kent Boucher and Alex Earhart.

Motion (Caves), Second (Kessler) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.

Presence Learning

Motion to approve a contract with Presence Learning for Speech/Language Services.

Motion (Kessler), Second (Baldwin) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.

Into Closed Session

Motion to go into closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and dismissal of specific employees of the public body at 8:03 p.m.

Motion (Baldwin), Second (Kessler) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.

Out of Closed Session

Motion to come out of closed session at 8:43 p.m.

Motion (Baldwin), Second (Kessler) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.

Senior Athlete

Motion to allow Student X to continue to compete in IHSA sponsored sports should Student X move out of the Riverdale District.

Motion (Caves), Second (Jackson) - Roll Call: Ayes (Plumb), Nays (Caves, Jackson, Kessler), Abstain (Baldwin), Absent (Toppert, Walston), Motion failed.

Administrative Personnel

Motion to approve increases for Administrative pay as presented.

Motion (Caves), Second (Baldwin) - Roll Call: Ayes (Baldwin, Caves, Jackson, Plumb), Nays (Kessler), Abstain (None), Absent (Toppert, Walston), Motion carried.

Personnel

Motion to approve Personnel as presented. *(For approval under Consent Agenda, effective as noted, pending all requirements are met.):*

- Jessica Phelps, Pre-K Parent Coordinator, move to permanent status, 9/27/17.
- Nikki Stuart, hire as part-time Elementary School/High School Individual/Classroom Special Education Paraprofessional, 10/2/17.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Motion (Jackson), Second (Baldwin) - Roll Call: All Ayes, Motion carried.