

RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
PRESS RELEASE
Wednesday, July 15, 2015

The Board of Education conducted a regular school board meeting Wednesday, July 15, 2015. The meeting was held in the River Ridge School Cafeteria in Patch Grove, located at 11165 County Hwy P. The following items were addressed:

1. The Board listened to public comments from: Ben Lewis, Chad Breuer, Kristin Schier, and Shelly Stagman.
2. The Board approved the regular board meeting minutes of June 17, 2015 and special board meeting minutes of June 29, 2015.
3. Under committee reports, the Board heard a report from the Buildings and Grounds/Finance Committee as presented by Troy Marshall and Carol Harris.
4. The Board approved a motion to repeal the May 26, 2015 resolution which was to borrow \$2,000,000 for the purpose of financing certain energy efficiency projects in the Patch Grove/Bloomington schools.
5. The Board approved to close the temporary borrowing resolution from November 12, 2014 which authorized the borrowing of up to \$400,000 for district cash flow purposes.
6. The Board heard a presentation from the McKinstry group pertaining to the final Facility(ies) Improvement Measure (FIM) and discussion of options in addressing state violations.
7. The Board approved the McKinstry Pre-Final project scope and Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP).
8. The Board approved a resolution authorizing not to exceed \$1,000,000 State Trust Fund loan and levying a tax for the purpose of financing energy efficiency projects.
9. The Board authorized the level of expenditure from Fund 49 (other capital improvement) in the amount of up to \$500,000 for the purpose of financing energy efficiency projects.
10. The Board held a discussion on grade-level configuration for the 2015-16 school year and moved to not make any changes in the current plan (i.e., 5th and 6th grades will still be attending school in Bloomington; all other grades will attend at Patch Grove).
11. The Board accepted the resignation of Logan Prochaska as high school Math teacher.
12. The Board approved the hire of: Tina Dilley as 7th-12th grade Business Education teacher, the transfer of Lindsay Cejka from 3rd Grade to Kindergarten teacher, and the hiring of Samantha Jung as 3rd Grade teacher; all for the 2015/16 school year (pending successful background checks). The Board approved the hire of Matt Mezera as the Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach.

13. The Board approved Employee Handbook revisions as presented by Carol Harris which were necessary due to the compensation changes approved previously at the June 17th meeting.

14. The next Board/Board committee meetings were set for the following dates/times:

- Special Board Meeting – Wednesday, July 29; 6:30 PM in the High School Gym
- Special School District Electors' Meeting – Wednesday, July 29, 8:00 PM in the High School Gym
- Regular School Board Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 6:00 PM in the High School Cafeteria
- Building and Grounds/Finance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 5:00 PM in the High School Cafeteria
- Policy/Curriculum Committee Meeting – Tuesday, August 4, 5:00 PM, Superintendent's Office

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM