

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE RIVER RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN: August 12, 2014

The Special Meeting of the River Ridge Board of Education was called to order by President Lea Breuer at 6:02 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present:

Kerri Schier  
Randy Martin  
Kenny Nies

Bob Key  
Lea Breuer

Dave Breuer and Bob Mathre were absent. Also present were District Administrator Lee Pritzl, Dave Cihasky from ADG, two representatives from Kraemer Brothers and a representative from each of two engineering firms.

Kenny Nies presented proof of posting showing notice of the meeting posted on August 5, 2014, at 3:59 p.m. at the River Ridge Elementary, Middle/High School, Upper Elementary School and the post offices in Bagley, Bloomington, Glen Haven, Mt. Hope and Patch Grove. The motion was made by Kerri Schier and seconded by Randy Martin to approve the posting. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

#### IV. APPEARANCES

Bart Breuer wanted to clarify why the Kraemer Brothers information was not presented at the last meeting as was listed on the last agenda. Lea Breuer stated that Kraemer Brothers did not have the information prepared in time for the last meeting.

#### V. REMOTE BOARD MEMBER PARTICIPATION

Bob Mathre requested to participate in the meeting via phone conference. The motion was made Bob Key and seconded by Kerri Schier to approve Bob listening in on the meeting and participating but not voting on any issue. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

#### VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. The engineering firms of Ring and DuChateau and KJWW discussed HVAC systems at both locations. Their findings were very similar in that the HVAC systems need to be totally replaced at both locations. They said that a piece-by-piece fix would cost us four times more over the long haul. We would be much further ahead to fix the problem totally in one shot now. The current systems have some life-safety issues that included poor air flow and the return air flow is through the hallways. That return air flow will draw the smoke from a fire right into the exit hallways where the children and teachers would be trying to exit the building. The new systems will meet or exceed the current standards and be expected to last 30 years plus. There is no opportunity to improve the air quality in these buildings without triggering code and replacing the total systems. The engineers agreed that we would not be acting responsibly by letting these issues go on.

B. Kraemer Brothers and ADG discussed the options and costs involved with the proposed renovations and additions. These numbers are all educated estimates at this time. The HVAC, electrical, plumbing, fire protection and other code upgrades and alterations at the Patch Grove site are estimated to cost \$7,480,000. The new gymnasium, agricultural learning center, secure entrance, remodeling the existing gymnasium into classrooms, the outdoor athletic facility with additional parking, and the design and miscellaneous owner fees add up to a cost of \$5,800,000. The renovations at the Bloomington site would cost between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. The savings the district would recover by moving to one site is estimated to be just over \$300,000 each year. The final number the board settled on was \$13,000,000.

##### C. Resignation

1. Technology Education (Clay Koenig)

##### D. Employment Recommendation

1. Technology Education ( Gary Nettesheim)

The motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items A, B, C, and D was made by Randy Martin and seconded by Kenny Nies. On a voice vote, the motion carried.

The motion to adjourn was made by Kerri Schier and seconded by Bob Key. On a voice vote, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

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Kenneth Nies, Clerk