



TIMBERWOLF NEWS

March 2016

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ACT (Juniors)
March 2
ACT WorkKeys
(Juniors)
March 10
No School
Parent/Teacher Conf.
March 11
No School
March 17
Board Meeting
March 25 & 28
Spring Break

MARCH IS MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH

A graphic featuring a treble clef, a musical staff with three notes, and a large, stylized musical note that serves as the letter 'M' in 'MUSIC'.

Band **POPS** Concert

Tuesday, March 15, 2016 * High School Gym * 7:30 PM

Featuring: River Ridge Music

5th Grade Band

6th Grade Band

7th & 8th Grade Band

High School Band

Band Director: Joseph Lasko

Choral **POPS** Concert

Tuesday, March 22, 2016 * High School Gym * 7:30 PM

Featuring: River Ridge Music

7TH & 8TH GRADE CHOIR

WOMEN'S CHOIR

MEN'S CHOIR

RIVER RIDGE SINGERS

TRIPLE TRIO

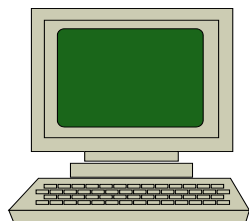
CONCERT CHOIR

Choral Director: Ellen Martin



Mission Statement

The River Ridge School District will strive to provide a safe, challenging environment for each individual student by promoting excellent staff development, encouraging meaningful parent involvement, and earning strong community support through honesty, integrity, and open communication.



Visit our website at
www.rrsd.k12.wi.us

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THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC



Seventh and Eighth Grade
Choir Members



Ms Giese's Second Grade
Class music time with
Mr. Lasko



Fifth Grade General
Music with Mrs. Martin
are playing recorders



A big thank you to the graduating CLASS OF 2015, as well as the Music Boosters, who so generously provided funds to the music program. The purchase went towards ukuleles and the Sixth Grade General Music classes are enjoying learning and playing the instruments.

IN OUR RIVER RIDGE SCHOOLS



High School Concert Choir



High School Concert Band



Seventh and Eighth Grade Band



What is Youth Art Month?

by: Sandy Mergen



The Youth Art Month Program emphasizes the value of art education for all children, encourages support for quality school art programs, and promotes art material safety.

Youth Art Month also provides a forum for recognizing skills developed through visual arts experiences that are not possible in other curriculum subjects.

Started in 1961 Youth Art Month exists to:

1. Recognize art education as viable factor in the total education curricula that develops citizens of a global society.
2. Recognize art is a necessity for the full development of better quality of life for all.
3. Direct attention to the value of art education for divergent and critical thinking.
4. Expand art programs in schools and stimulate new art programs.

5. Encourage commitment to the arts by student, community organizations, and individuals everywhere.
6. Provide additional opportunities for individuals of all ages to participate in creative art learning.
7. Increase community, business and governmental support for art education.
8. Increase community understanding and interest in art and art education through involvement in art exhibits, workshops, and other creative ventures.



The River Ridge School district will celebrate Y.A.M. in a variety of ways. K-12 art work will be on display in all of the buildings' hallways. Select seniors will exhibit their art work in the high school showcase. The art club has numerous events planned such as a scavenger hunt and a t-shirt sale. The elementary students will be creating a large mural titled "Art is....."





Seventh graders 3D art assignment.



Arielle Huth student teacher from UW-Platteville



Fifth graders creating straw sculptures.



Members of the River Ridge Art Club



Spring Forward!

Don't forget to set all of your clocks one hour ahead!

March 13, 2016



Future Business Leaders of America

by: Tina Dilley



The River Ridge Future Business Leaders of America club came up with an impressive outcome at the Regional Leadership competition on Saturday, February 6. Members who placed in the top three will advance to state competition being held this year at La Crosse in April.



Bea Mumm: 2nd Place Job Interview, Rachel Mergen: 2nd place Business Communications, Jonathan Breuer: 2nd place Spreadsheets, Denver Foreyt: 3rd Place Intro to Information Technology, Jennifer Remis: 3rd Place Computer Applications, Maria Breuer, Brooklyn Parker & Katelyn Quick: 3rd place Management Decision Making, Pamela Breuer: 4th place Word Processing, Rachael Herrick: 4th place Intro to Financial Math, Rebecca Breuer: 4th place Personal Finance, Austin Morrow: 6th Place Impromptu Speaking, Maysen Frana: 6th place Graphic Design, Carly Hampton & Katelyn Parker: 7th place Intro to Business Presentation, Jasmine Kopp & Olivia Loper: 7th place Web Site Design.

As a group, we placed 8th out of 22 schools. We also had several staff and community members who helped judge at the event. It was a great success!

FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY STATEMENT

The River Ridge School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

District Administrator

P.O. Box 78, 11165 County Highway P
Patch Grove, WI 53817

Telephone No. 608-994-2715

For further information on notice of non-discrimination, visit <http://wdcrobcolp01.ed.gov/CFAPPS/OCR/contactus.cfm> for the address and phone number of the office that serves your area, or call 1-800-421-3481.

River Ridge Dance Team Qualifies for State



On January 30, the River Ridge Dance Team traveled to Watertown, WI to perform at the Wisconsin Association of Cheer/Pom Coaches 2016 Regional High School Championship. After a great performance in the pom category, the dance team qualified to perform at the state level. The following Saturday, February 6, the dance team performed at 9:30 AM at the La Crosse Center in La Crosse, WI. The dance team had an amazing performance, they placed 10 out of 14 teams in the pom category.

Congratulations Dance Team

Guidance News

by: Caron Townsend

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT DATES TO REMEMBER

ACT Test – March 1, 2016 (Juniors)

ACT WorkKeys Test – March 2, 2016 (Juniors)

ACT Test Make-Up – March 15, 2016

WorkKeys Make-Up – March 16, 2016

ACT Aspire 9 – April 26-29, 2016 (Freshman)

ACT Aspire 10 – May 2 & 3, 2016 (Sophomores)

**It is extremely important that all students are in attendance on testing days. Thank you.*

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Local scholarship packets will be distributed to seniors on March 3, 2016 and will be due back to Ms. Townsend by April 1, 2016.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY BANQUET

The River Ridge National Honor Society Banquet will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school gym.



RIVER RIDGE GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMPS

Grades 4-8 June 20-23, 2016

Girls Fundamental Camp

Cost - \$45.00 (includes t-shirt)

Grades 9-12 July 5-7, 2016

Girls Scoring & Defensive Camp

Cost - \$45.00 (includes t-shirt)

Registration forms will be available in April. If you have any questions please call Caron Townsend at 994-2715 or e-mail townsenca@rrsd.k12.wi.us

Students Visit Library

by Jan Block



The second and third graders recently visited the Bloomington Public Library. During their visit the students received their very own library card. The library staff showed the students where to find books in their reading level and explained to the students the benefits of having a library card. Each student checked out a book



and then enjoyed a short story time and treat presented by Mrs. Block. The second and third grades teachers also joined in the activity. Thanks to the Bloomington Public Library staff for a most enjoyable and worthwhile experience.

Parents of Three- and Four-Year-Old Future Timberwolves District Screening April 7, 2016

The River Ridge School District has four-year-old kindergarten for students living in the district, and uses a variety of sources throughout the year to identify eligible children living in the district. A notice with an assigned screening time will be sent to identified families prior to April 1. If you have a child who will be four years of age on or before September 1, 2016, and don't receive a notice by April 1st, you are encouraged to call Steph Stefensmeier at 994-2715 to arrange a time for screening.

In addition to the four-year old screening, any parent of a three-year-old (or soon to be three) who suspects their child may be developmentally delayed in areas such as language acquisition, fine and/or gross motor

skills, reading-readiness concepts, self-help, or social skills is also encouraged to contact the school for an appointment to be screened that day. The team will screen your child for concerns and provide information for you to pursue a comprehensive school evaluation.

Any parent who reasonably believes their child may be a child with a disability may make a referral at any time during the school year. Please contact Trudy DeSimons, Special Education Director, at the River Ridge School at 608-994-2711, or by writing her at River Ridge Upper Elementary Box 97, 545 Mill Street, Bloomington, WI 53804.

No School
Thursday, March 10
Parent/Teacher Conferences
11:00 AM-7:00 PM

Students Celebrate 100 Days of School

River Ridge students in 5K through sixth grade celebrated their 100th day of school the second week of February. Elementary students celebrated with an afternoon of activities including scavenger hunts, guessing games, preparing a snack with 100 pieces and completing an exercise course with 100 activities. Student also made collections of 100 items that were displayed throughout the week in the hallways. The students were treated to ice cream at the end of the day which was provided by RRAP. Thank you to all of the River Ridge staff who participated in this project and to RRAP for the delicious ice cream.



The 5th and 6th graders celebrated the 100th day of school with a ticket to an ice cream social. Students would earn a punch for their ticket after completing the assignment in each class (example 100 math problems, 100 spelling words, etc). After receiving six punches on their ticket, they earned a pass to the ice cream social at the end of the day. All the students enjoyed the day.



River School District Begins Long-Range Planning Process

by Dr. Jeff Athey, River Ridge Superintendent/Elementary Principal

When I first began my position as Superintendent/Elementary Principal in July of last year, various people approached me and asked, “Does the district have a vision for where it wants to go?” and “Will we still have a district 5, 10, or 20 years from now?” What I learned was that the River Ridge School District had no long-range plan in place. It made me think of that old expression, “If you don’t know where you’re going, you may end up someplace else.” It was clear that a plan was needed.

After a couple of months on the job, I mentioned to the River Ridge Board of Education that I would like to proceed with a couple of things I thought were necessary in helping move the district forward. One was to bring a facilitator in from WASB (Wisconsin Association of School Boards) to conduct an inservice with the Board pertaining to “boardsmanship” (e.g., what are the roles and responsibilities of boards, what procedures/practices are necessary to ensure a smooth working relationship with the Superintendent, and what things must a board do in order to maintain the trust of the communities they serve). The other was to engage the district in a long-range planning process.

To these ends, the Board did participate in an inservice on “boardsmanship” in October. Lou Birchbauer, a former school Superintendent and consultant from WASB, came to the RRSD and facilitated this training. Moreover, on November 16th, a special Board meeting was held to address the notion of a long-range planning process for the RRSD. It was at that meeting that I recommended we begin a long-range planning process. I had participated in three such processes during my tenure in another district. Based upon what I perceived in the River Ridge District, I suggested that the Board obtain feedback through a community input process in the areas of: fiscal responsibility/efficiencies, facilities, academics, co- & extracurricular activities, community relations/communications, and technology. The Board granted me permission to hold community input ses-

sions to obtain feedback in these six (6) areas.

In December, five (5) community input sessions were held—two at the high school in Patch Grove, one each at Ma’s Bakery in Bloomington, the Fire Hall in Mt. Hope, and the Bagley Hotel/Restaurant in Bagley. These meetings were published and posted ahead of time. Anyone who was interested was welcome to attend and participate. At each session, I explained that the district was seeking ideas on what could/should be done so that our district would thrive for many years to come. We used an affinity process where folks wrote down their ideas on stick-um notes and put them under the category they wanted it to appear under. No idea was deemed a bad idea. I directed them to not attack individuals or programs. Furthermore, I directed them to not sign their names as I wanted folks to contribute freely without fear of criticism. I explained that their ideas were strictly input. I noted that only the River Ridge Board of Education has decision-making authority and that it is the Board which ultimately makes the decision on what to include in the district’s long-range plan.

Over the winter recess, ideas from the community input sessions were collated for review by citizen committees. On January 6th, 28 people attended a meeting to receive their committee assignments. Attendees were divided into 6 committees with the charge of developing recommended goals and actions from the ideas generated through the community input sessions.

The committees were instructed to prepare their recommended goals and actions by February 5th and to appoint a spokesperson to present their recommendations at our February 10th Board meeting. At the February 10th meeting, we heard an oral report from each committee. The Board and audience members also received typed copies of each committee’s recommendations and a copy of the “raw data” that was collected from the 5 community input sessions held in December.

Long-Range Planning Process (Cont.)

What's next? In March, the RRSD Board is poised to adopt a Strategic Planning policy. This policy reinforces the importance of stakeholder input in setting direction for the district. Over the coming months, the Board will work to develop a 3 to 5 year plan which will guide decisions around operating and capital ex-

penditures. While the plan may have elements of the input from the recent community input process, it is the Board which ultimately makes the decision on district goals and priorities. I look forward to many good things to come from this process for our kids!

*If you'd like to see what was presented at the February 10th meeting, you can find this information on the school district's website; or you can call/stop by the school office (608-994-2715) and request a printed copy. On the website click on **District** and look for the purple bar (Click Here for Community Input to Long Range Plan)*

Sub-District Forensics

by Garth Osterday

On Monday, February 22, the River Ridge Forensics team, coached by Garth Osterday, competed in sub-districts in Prairie du Chien. The following 15 students competed and did an outstanding job to advance to the district meet which will be held in Platteville on March 19. Karli Jandro and Abbi Schlueter in Poetry; Bea Mumm, Rebecca Breuer, and Maria Breuer in Prose; Olivia Breuer and Hope Schier in Farrago; Rachel Herrick in Four Minute; Bryan Maring in Extemporaneous; Bo Kluesner, Austin Morrow, and Camron Mish in Public Address; and Ashton Marshall, Olivia Meyer, and Carly Hampton in Group Interpretation. Good-luck to everyone at Districts!

Post Prom Fundraiser

by Carrie Linder

The River Ridge junior class parents will be holding a Post Prom Fundraiser Rummage Sale at the Bloomington Legion Hall on April 7 and 8 from 3:00 – 7:00 PM and on April 9 from 8:00 – 10:00 AM. We will be accepting donations of clean, usable clothing and household items for our rummage sale. Donations of items will be accepted at the Bloomington Legion Hall on April 4 from 3:00 - 6:00 PM, April 5 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM and April 6 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. No TV's or computers. To make other drop off arrangements please call Carrie Linder 994-2207.

You're Invited to the...

Third Grade

MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM



Date: Tuesday, May 24, 2016

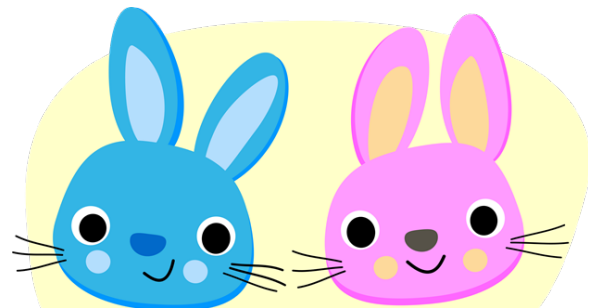
Time: 1:00 P.M

**Place: River Ridge Elementary
School Gym
Patch Grove, WI**

Public Welcome

Join the Third Grade

in honoring the veterans of our area!



Happy Easter!

River Ridge High School 2nd Quarter Honors

High Honors (3.5-4.00)

Grade 7: Olivia Blum, Ruby Breuer, Sidney Drone, Kaycee Esser, Kendell Esser, Zachary Fischer, Calen Fox, Jeleen Guerrero, Bradley Hoffman, Joseph Johnson, Kaden Kaufman, Brett Kerscher, Abigail Polodna, Kerrigan Trautsch, Maya Trautsch

Grade 8: Eric Breuer, Jacob Cathman, Bryly Clark, Archibald Cooley, Kyra Drew, McKenzie Graf, Kendra Jentz, Riley Klein, Blake Laufenberg, Tova Lindberg, Bayli Mason, Connor Mumm, Ernest Nichols, Faith Schier, Chloe Stagman, Morghan Stagman, Ryan West, Skylar White, Rylee Zinkle

Grade 9: Cailey Breuer, Jonathon Breuer, Blake Crubel, Katherine DeVoss, Carly Hampton, Verity Johnson, Taylor Langmeier, Olivia Meyer, Brett Moravits, Alexis Morris, Hunter Nettesheim, Trevor Nichols, Katelyn Parker, Devin Revolinski, Jordyn Vogt, Blake Wegmuller

Grade 10: Jacob Breuer, Maria Breuer, Joseph Hamann, Rachael Herrick, Travis Jelinek, Tyler Millin Camron Mish, Matt Morrow, Brooklyn Parker, Allison Ploessl, Katelyn Quick, Ivan Trautsch

Grade 11: Olivia Breuer, Rebecca Breuer, Darion Brooks, Benjamin Ertz, Alexis Harper, Alison Hein, Grace Mergen, Megan Mezera, Beatrice Mumm, Austin Revolinski, Hope Schier, Abigail Schlueter, Madison Stagman

Grade 12: Alicia Baker, Francine Gates, Caleb Irish, Bo Kluesner, Rachel Mergen, Austin Morrow, Bridgette Myers, Karli Wachter

Honors (3.00-3.49)

Grade 7: Devan Bailey, Estevan Duran, Gavin Esser, Adam Klein, Glenna Marshall, Abby Meier, Britney Moravits, Lance Nichols, Bryce Quick, Fredi Santos, Shayla Trautsch, Brayden Vogt, Faith Webb

Grade 8: Cecil Callahan, Cole Crubel, Will Esser, Montanna Killelley, Noell Nading, Riley Quick, Madeline Ryman, Skyler Williams

Grade 9: James Breuer, Taylor Cooley, Ethan Esser, Madeline Johnson, Ashton Marshall, Justin Morrow, Madison Peters

Grade 10: Shane Durns, Emma Hampton, Britney Hoffman, Tyler Lansing, Aidan Morrow, Axl Rasmussen, Ryan Redman

Grade 11: Karli Jandro, Andrea Johnson, Bryan Maring, Tyler Price, Anna Tolle

Grade 12: Sydney Bloom, Anna Judy Bosetti, Autum Buss, Dylan Hazen, Shannon Kirschbaum, KayLynn Knight, Amber Patterson, Erik Santos, Blake Stagman, Samantha Steiger, Elizabeth White, Kevin White, Tristan White

Ms. Moser's

Math Minutes



Consumer Math students just finished a unit titled "Managing Your Money".

The unit culminated with a project in which students recorded check book transactions and balanced their checkbooks monthly. Students felt this unit was very applicable to their lives and futures. They are starting a unit on Managing Expenses including cash purchases, charge accounts and credit cards, and loans.

The Geometry students just concluded a very difficult chapter writing proofs to prove polygons are congruent. Do you remember using ASA, SSS, or SAS to prove two triangles are congruent? Just ask one of these bright students to refresh your memory! The next unit may prove a little easier for the students as we are beginning a chapter on lengths and areas. This chapter has two purposes; to become more competent with all sorts of problems involving measure relationships and for students to see how the different formulas are related.

Pre-Calculus students will continue the study of trigonometry and incorporate matrix operations as well.

Last, but not least, the Pre-Algebra students are learning to solve one- and two-step equations. They are applying these skills to problem solve real-world situations.

Anyone who would like to address one of my classes with examples of how you use these math skills in life, please contact me. The students would enjoy hearing how they will use these skills in life.

A little math humor: A farmer counted 196 cows in the field. But when he rounded them up, he had 200. Corny Jokes retrieved from <http://www.rd.com/jokes/math/>

Star Studded Event

by Rita Trautsch

The stars all came out dressed in their best on Wednesday, January 27th for the annual STAR Studded Event. The stars of the afternoon were Mrs. Rita Trautsch's 4th grade class at River Ridge Elementary. They were all dressed to the nines, and boy did they hit it big! Family guests were escorted by a 4th grade star to the classroom. The guests and stars entered through the doorway draped in decorated paper stars. Then they gracefully walked down the red carpet surrounded by clusters of golden star balloons. Their eyes and ears were drawn to the Smartboard that had kaleidoscope designs moving to music. As more people came, the excitement continued to build. Soon everyone was taking their places in the chairs under more paper stars dangling from the ceiling. The awards show began when the talented hosts, 4th grade teacher, Mrs. Rita Trautsch, and elementary principal, Dr. Jeff Athey, took their places on stage. The awards in STAR math, STAR reading, and behavior began.

The first awards to be given were the math awards. The top 3 highest STAR Math awards, ranging from a 5.7 to a 6.2 grade level, went to Brooklyn Mezera who tied with Jayden Cathman, Emma Mason, and Hailey Konichek. The Super Star Math Awards were awards received by students who scored above grade level. The recipients of this math award were Shayna Graf, Landon Trautsch, Kam'ron Bogus, and Braydon Bull. The next award went to Owen Callahan for being the most improved on his STAR Math score by improving 1.5 years in just 6 months! Following the Most Improved were the Math Wowza Awards given to students who improved more than 1 year in just 6 months! These were awarded to Braydon Bull, Shayna Graf, Rylan Linder, Jayden Cathman, Emma Mason, Trentin Nading, and Cecilia Struntz. The final STAR Math awards were the Honorable Mention Awards given to students who improved more than 6 months, but less than 1 year. The students awarded Math Honorable Mentions were Landon Trautsch, Brooklyn Mezera, Hailey Konichek, Tate Kirschbaum, and Audrey Bryant. Math is definitely one of many strengths for this class!

The next set of awards recognized positive student behaviors. The first behavior award was the Outstanding Behavior Award presented to students who had their clip from the classroom behavior chart on "be-

ing responsible," or higher, 20 times or more for the quarter. The students who received this honor were Cecilia Struntz, Owen Callahan, Hailey Konichek, Jayden Cathman, and Areli Tepole. There were also 3 students who were awarded with the prestigious Big Heart Award for always being helpful, thoughtful, kind, and loving to everyone around them every day. Those 3 students were Rylan Linder, Mykenzie Cornell, and Izabella Pecinovski. These awards were a tough category given the fact that all 18 students in the class are strong positive behavior role models.

The final group of awards was reading accomplishments on the STAR Reading Assessment. The top 3 highest STAR Reading awards, ranging from a 6.1 to a 7.0 reading grade level, went to Brooklyn Mezera, Cecilia Struntz, and Landon Trautsch. The Super Star Awards for reading above grade level went to Owen Callahan and Tate Kirschbaum. The most improved in the STAR Reading went to Cecilia Struntz, who improved her reading score by 2 years in just 6 months! Wow! Other students who improved more than 1 year in just 6 months earned the Wowza Reading Award. These students were Kam'ron Bogus, Audrey Bryant, Owen Callahan, Emma Mason, Brooklyn Mezera, and Landon Trautsch. Honorable Mention Awards went to students who improved more than 6 months, but less than 1 year. The recipients of this award were Areli Tepole, Trentin Nading, Tate Kirschbaum, and Saige Childs. There were many accomplished readers in this class.

The STAR Studded Event was a success again this year. It seems to get bigger and bigger every year. By the end of the event, the paparazzi went crazy catching these stars with their respective awards. It was evident that every 4th Grade Star took home at least 1 award if not more. It was an outstanding afternoon of celebrating the successes of Mrs. Rita Trautsch's 4th grade class at River Ridge Elementary. If you see any of these stars out, don't forget to congratulate them!



Easter Bunny Visits

Saturday, March 26, 11:00 AM
at Bloomington Ball Park.

Drinks and snacks provided after the Egg Hunt
Petting Zoo and Two Grand Prize Baskets



River Ridge Post Prom Party – 2016

When: 12:00 A.M. – 3:00 A.M. on April 24, 2016

Where: River Ridge High School

A Post Prom Party will be held immediately following the River Ridge Junior Prom on April 23. The party is being sponsored by Junior Class parents and many generous businesses in the area. The party is open to all River Ridge students and their dates. There is no admission to attend the party.

Attendees will sign in at the party between 11:45 p.m. and 12:15 a.m. Students will then enjoy the feature presentations: Laser Tag and a Caricaturist. There will be other activities and drawings for lots of prizes throughout the night. The party is scheduled to end at 3:00 a.m. Food and refreshments will be available for all that attend. Parents and/or guardians of any attendee, who chooses to leave the party before 3:00 a.m., will be notified by a phone call.

All students attending the party (including dates from other school districts) must return a signed parental permission slip to attend. Permission slips (attached below and also available in the H.S. office) must be returned to the office by **April 11, 2016**.



Come and enjoy the fun and make Post Prom Party – 2016 a memorable one!



Post Prom 2016 Permission Slip

_____ has my permission to attend the River Ridge Post Prom Party to be held from 12:00 a.m. until 3:00 a.m. immediately following the Prom at the River Ridge High School. He/She has permission to view and/or participate in Laser Tag and other activities, with no liability to the River Ridge School District or the Post Prom Party Committee. If my child fails to show up to Post Prom and he/she is expected to attend, I will be notified by telephone at the number listed below. Also, if my child chooses to leave the party before 3:00 a.m., I will be notified by telephone:

_____ Phone Number at which I can be reached between 12:00 A.M. and 3:00 A.M. on April 24, 2016.

Parent /Guardian Signature

Date

*****The Post Prom Party is open to all River Ridge High School students and their dates (who also require a signed permission slip to attend). Signed permission slips are due by April 11, 2016 in the High School Office.**

March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8:00 AM - ACT (Juniors) 7:00 PM - HS Boys' BB Regionals	2 8:00 AM - ACT WorkKeys (Juniors)	3 7:00 PM - HS Girls' BB Sectionals 5:15 PM - Board Policy/ Curriculum Committee @ HS	4 7:00 PM - Boys' BB Regionals	5 TBA - HS Girls' BB at Richland Center 7:00 PM - HS Boys' BB Regionals
6	7 First Track Practice 6:00 PM - RRAP Meeting ES/MS/HS Cafeteria	8 HS Honors Band @ Potosi - All Day	9	10 No School WIAA State Girls' BB at Resch Center 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM Parent/Teacher Conf. 7:00 PM - HS Boys' BB Sectionals	11 No School WIAA State Girls' BB at Resch Center	12 WIAA State Girls' BB at Resch Center TBA - HS Boys' BB at Logan HS
13 Daylight Saving	14 First Softball Practice 6:00 PM - Boys' BB Awards Night @ HS	15 ACT Make-up Day 7:30 PM - Band POPS Concert @ HS Gym	16 ACT WorkKeys Make Up Day	17 St. Patrick's Day WIAA State Boys' BB at Kohl Center 3:00 PM - FFA Sec.@HS 6:00 PM - Building & Grds/Fin. Comm. @ HS 7:00 PM - Board Meeting at HS	18 WIAA State Boys' BB at Kohl Center	19 WIAA State Boys' BB at Kohl Center District Forensics @ UW-Platteville
20	21 First Baseball Practice	22 7:30 PM - MS/HS Choir POPS Concert @ HS Gym	23	24	25 No School	26
27 Easter	28 No School	29 4:30 PM - V Softball vs Fennimore 5:00 PM - Track @ UW-Platteville	30	31 End of 3rd Quarter 4:15 PM - Track - Home		

MARCH 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Breakfast Biscuit	2 Cheese Omelet & Toast	3 Breakfast Pizza	4 Cereal Choice & Muffins
	Cheeseburger Macaroni Green Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	BBQ on a Bun Cheesy Hashbrowns Steamed Carrots Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Dog in a Blanket Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Pizza Choice Fresh Veggies & Dip Tossed Romaine Salad (K-4) Salad Bar (5-12) Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice
7 Cereal Choice & Toast	8 Breakfast Cake & Yogurt	9 French Toast Sticks & Sausage	10	11
French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Hashbrown Juice/Fruit Choice	Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Steamed Broccoli Garlic Breadstick Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Hot Ham & Cheese Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	No School	No School
National School Breakfast Week				
14 Scrambled Eggs & Toast	15 Breakfast Biscuit	16 Cheese Omelet & Toast	17 Fruit Smoothie & Muffin	18 Pancakes & Sausage
Mini Corn Dogs Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Tacos w/The Works Buttered Corn Tossed Romaine Salad (K-4) Salad Bar (5-12) Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Hamburger on a Bun Potato Wedges Steamed Carrots Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Chicken & Gravy over Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Mozzarella Dippers Calico Beans Macaroni Salad Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice
21 Trix Yogurt & Cereal Bar	22 Breakfast Cake	23 Waffles & Baked Ham	24 Breakfast Casserole & Toast	25
French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Hashbrown Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Baked Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn Fresh Bread Slice Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Chicken Patty on a Bun Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Stomoli French Fries Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	No School
28	29 Breakfast Pizza	30 Cheese Omelet & Toast	31 Fruit Smoothie & Muffin	
No School	Dog in a Blanket Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Hamburger on a Bun Potato Wedges Peas Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Buttered Corn Fresh Dinner Roll Fresh & Canned Fruit Choice	



Breakfast Notes

Breakfast is served with the choice of fruit and milk daily.

Two Entrees will be offered each day. Students may choose one. The second option for PK - 4th grade is a yogurt lunch (consists of 4 oz. yogurt, peanut butter sandwich, vegetable, fruit and milk) and the second option for 5th - 12th is a chef salad.

Pre K - 8th grade students are required to have 1/2 cup of produce each day for a reimbursable meal.

Students in grades 9 - 12 are required to have 1/2 cup of produce each day for a reimbursable meal.

WG - Whole Grain
WW - Whole Wheat

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APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE RIVER RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN: January 13, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the River Ridge Board of Education was called to order by President Dave Breuer on Wednesday, January 13, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following members present: Emilie Mumm, Kerri Schier, Cory Raisbeck, Lea Breuer, Kenny Nies, Randy Martin and Dave Breuer. Also present were District Administrator Dr. Jeff Athey, Business Manager Carol Harris, staff members and members of the public.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said. Emilie Mumm presented proof of posting on January 8, 2016 at 3:00 PM. A motion to approve the posting was made by Randy Martin and seconded by Emie Mumm. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

V. APPEARANCES

No public participation was observed.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

Regular Meeting minutes from December 9, 2015. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Lea Breuer and seconded by Kenny Nies. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

VII. REPORTS

A. 1. *Building and Grounds/Finance Committee Report* – Head Custodian, Troy Marshall, and a representative from McKinstry, provided an update on construction projects at the two school buildings.

VIII. Marshall provided a roof update. A motion to table roof discussion until the February 10 board meeting was made by Dave Breuer and seconded by Lea Breuer. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

A. 2. *Finance Report*

Business Manager Carol Harris presented the financial reports.

The following General Fund receipts were reviewed: State of Wisconsin 903,185.00; State of Wisconsin 45,494.00; State of Wisconsin 2,804.29; State of Wisconsin 15,676.79; A.W.S.A. 235.00; New Horizons Supply Co-op 136.65; Centurylink 53.14; Dept. of Health Services 207.55; River Ridge HS Pupil Activity 9,765.97; River Ridge School District 201.15; State of Wisconsin 58,660.22; River Ridge Reading Wolf Pack 250.00; State of Wisconsin 12,487.03; Kwik Trip 96.90; Iowa Grant School District 100.00; Cooks 27.86; Staff/District 25.00; River Ridge C.U.D. No. 210 100.00; Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board 45.00; Prairie Du Chien School District 1,600.00; River Ridge Employee Insurance Fund 188.70; Firstmerit Bank 22.48; Firstmerit Bank 37.20; Anchorbank 4.59; BMO Harris Bank .88; Clare Bank 8.27; Peoples State Bank 31.97; Peoples State Bank 5.44.

The following Flexible Benefits Account receipts were reviewed: River Ridge School District 1,112.19; River Ridge School District 956.94.

The following Other Capital Projects Fund 49 receipts were reviewed: Clare Bank 555.51.

The following Scholarship Fund receipts were reviewed: Peoples State Bank 77.21; Peoples State Bank .12; Clare Bank .19; Clare Bank .47; Firstmerit Bank 4.34; Anchor Bank .12; Anchorbank 13.71.

The following Insurance Fund receipts were reviewed: Joe Devlin 110.50; Carol Kalinowski 110.50; Judith Taylor 65.50; Benefit Plan Administrators 201.71; Benefit Plan Administrators 84.35; River Ridge School District 6,225.00; Susan Gotto 663.00; Ann Hanson 110.50 110.50; Jerome Usgaard 3,561.40; Shirley Wegmuller 3,279.40; Peoples State Bank 57.76; Clare Bank .67.

The following Debt Service Fund 39 receipts were reviewed: Peoples State Bank 1.95.

The following Scholarship expenditures were reviewed: River Ridge School District 201.15.

The following Insurance Fund expenditures were reviewed: Delta Dental 1,341.25; Delta Dental 1,59.01; Delta Dental 2,668.00; Delta Dental 728.20; River Ridge School District 188.70; Benefit Plan Administrators 23,902.28; Benefit Plan Administrator 8,023.43; Benefit Plan Administrators 40,888.76; Benefit Plan Administrators 1,053.00; Benefit Plan

Administrators 17,641.46; C.V.S. Caremark 8,761.33; C.V.S. Caremark 8,660.97; C.V.S. Caremark 40.40.

The following General Fund expenditures were reviewed: Family Medical Center (29.00); Thomas R. Block 60.00; Dan Kerkenbush 30.00; Brandon Klein 100.00; Carl Orr 60.00; Bill Patzner 95.00; Rad Reilly 45.00; Daniel T Sedgwick 30.00; Ronald Sedgwick 60.00; Brian I. Slaght 60.00; Alliant Energy/WPL 41.86; Amazon/Synchrony Bank 266.31; Bloomington Stop & Go 11.39; C.E.S.A. #3 9,564.03; Clinicare Corporation 11,947.08; Courier Press 53.70; Department of Administration 1,500.00; Dependable Solutions Inc. 6,035.74; Equipment Leasing Co 330.00; Follett Scholl Solutions 59.50; G.F.C. Leasing 492.85; Gordon Flesch Company Inc. 1,746.25; Hermsens Inc. 810.90; Infomart Inc. 120.00; Johnson Block & Company Inc. 4,000.00; Jostens 468.17; Jr Consulting Services LLC 13.98; Kalahari Resort 188.00; Klondyke Welding & Repair 169.10; Langmeier Lumber Inc. 127.60; LBS Automotive Services LLC 37.97; Morris Newspaper Corp. of WI 63.50; Netech Corporation 416.25; New Horizons Supply Co-op 144.99; Okeys Market 4.96; P.D.S. 20,596.80; Patch Grove Postmaster 1,449.00; Prairie Farms Dairy 2,172.87; River Ridge HS Pupil Act. 123.30; River Ridge Special Checking 668.50; Sanacare, Inc. 5.31; Ronald Sedgwick 100.00; Sharp Electronics Corporation 226.52; T.D.S. Telecom Inc. 800.61; Telegraph Herald 192.00; Telesolutions Consultants

LLC 76.06; Town & Country Sanitation 425.00; U.S. Cellular 131.85; W.A.R.C.O. Transportation 48,147.88; W.A.S.B. Inc. 1,440.90; West Music Company 133.00; Yeomans Inc. 265.45; Jeff Athey 110.98; Thomas Block 60.00; Bob Boyle 95.00; Lester Breuer 24.15; Lisa Breuer 55.00; Lisa Clark 12.08; De Soto Area Schools 100.00; Carol Harris 82.97; Jeff Hartl 155.00; Jon Hegge 120.00; Bret Iverson 199.96; Steve Kaiser 60.00; Dan Kerkenbush 60.00; Brandon Klein 60.00; Clay Koenig 174.80; Sue Kuenster 60.38; Deborah Martell 20.70; Sandra Mergen 32.20; Darcy Mohr 19.55; Emilie Mumm 3.13; Carl Orr 60.00; Elizabeth Osterday 25.77; Bill Patzner 95.00; Mike Pfeil 155.00; Barbara Ploessl 236.90; Trevor Prochaska 100.00; Rad Reilly 60.00; Richland Center High School 185.00; Terry Schrobilgen 100.00; Ronald Sedgwick 45.00; Brian Slaght 60.00; Wayne Tredinnick 366.28; UW-Platteville 100.00; Kenneth Welter 120.00; Wade Winkers 264.17; Charlie Zahn 60.00; Centurylink 1.85; First National Bank 2,945.52; Gordon Food Service Inc. 7,066.44; Bill Ingram 60.00; Steve Kaiser 35.00; UW-Madison 656.25; W.A.C.P.C. 212.00; Charlie Zahn 100.00; A.F.L.A.C. Premium Holding 1,910.21; Ameritas 155.00; Clare Bank 2,825.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account 1,112.19; Employee Insurance Fund 6,225.00; Firstmerit Bank NA 33,958.89; Horace Mann Life Ins Company 1,364.01; Minnesota Life Ins Co 1,201.64; Superior Vision Insurance Plan 1,383.80; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue 6,210.52; AAA Award 188.10;

A-Line Machine Tool Co 145.35; Alliant Energy/WPL 5,636.05; B.L. Murray Inc. 630.16; Center Court 482.79; J.W. Pepper & Son Inc. 207.49; Junior Library Guild 2,262.00; Luther College 54.00; Carl Orr 60.00; Pan O Gold Baking Co 330.50; Patch Grove Postmaster 86.58; Pitney Bowes Corp 402.27; Quality Inn 582.37; S.S.E. Music 386.50; SimplexGrinnell LP 340.00; W.C.A.S.S. 350.00; W.S.S.C.A. 110.00; Wal-Mart Community 589.12; Wal-Mart Community BRC 134.54; WE Energies 4,944.07; Jeff Athey 81.08; Thomas Block 60.00; Terry Felt 95.00; Scott Garthwaite 60.00; Jeff Hartl 95.00; Don Hill 60.00; Dan Kerkenbush 45.00; Kevin Kitelinger 95.00; Brandon Klein 60.00; Sue Kuenster 64.40; Lancaster School District 125.00; Deborah Martell 8.05; Robert McGowan 95.00; Sandra Mergen 17.97; Jennifer Mohn 52.90; Carl Orr 45.00; Rad Reilly 45.00; Ronald Sedgwick 60.00; Wayne Tredinnick 239.43; Kenneth Welter 60.00; Wade Winkers 174.68; Carl Orr 45.00; Horace Mann Companies 87.06; Madison National Life 2,770.05; National Insurance Co of WI 1,195.38; Ameritas 155.00; Clare Bank 2,825.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account 956.94; Firstmerit Bank N.A. 33,245.90; Horace Mann Life Ins Company 1,364.01; Lincoln Life Administrator 107.00; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue 5,991.43; Wisconsin Retirement System 36,609.76; Amazon/Synchrony Bank 55.75.

The following Flexible Benefits Account expenditures were reviewed: Benefit Plan Administrators 155.25; Benefit Plan Administrators 46.58; Benefit Plan Administrators 941.22.

The following Other Capital Projects Fund 49 were reviewed: McK-instry Essention Inc. 254,981.00.

The motion to approve the financial reports was made by Cory Raisbeck and seconded by Emie Mumm. On a roll call vote, all members voted yes.

B. Policy/Curriculum Committee Report – The Committee presented the following policies for Board action:

346 Student Assessment Policy -

Motion to approve second reading made by Lea Breuer and seconded by Emie Mumm. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

342.7 Services/Programs for English Language Learners - Motion to approve second reading made by Lea Breuer and seconded by Dave Breuer. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

424 Open Enrollment Policy -

Motion to approve second reading made by Kenny Nies and seconded by Lea Breuer. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

462 Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship Policy and Rule

- Motion to waived first reading and to approve as a second reading was made by Randy Martin and seconded by Cory Raisbeck. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

343.4 Course Option Program Policy - Motion to approve first

reading made by Lea Breuer and seconded by Kerri Schier. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

345.6 Graduation Requirements Policy - Motion to approve first

reading made by Cory Raisbeck and seconded by Kenny Nies. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

345.61 Early Graduation Policy

- Motion to approve first reading made by Lea Breuer and seconded by Kerri Schier. On a voice vote, all members voted yes.

C. Technology Committee Report – Jeff Athey reported on the December 22, 2015 Technology Committee Meeting.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Athey reported on the public input process for a long-range school district plan.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Open Enrollment Space Declaration – The District's Open Enrollment policy requires that each year, in January, the Board indicate whether building space will limit the number of open enrollment ap-

plications accepted by the District. On a motion by Lea Breuer, seconded by Kenny Nies, all members approved the following declaration: "RRSD will not deny 2016/17 open enrollment application due to space".

B. Student Activities

Austin Morrow, Student Council Member, reported on recent and upcoming student activities.

XI. INFORMATION

A. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

1. Technology Committee Meeting January 26, 2016, 7:30 A.M.
2. Policy/Curriculum Committee- February 3, 2016 at 5:15 P.M.
3. Building & Grounds/Finance- February 10, 2016 at 5:00 P.M.
4. Next school board meeting – February 10, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

B. Suggestions and Recommendations for future items - None

Adjournment – Lea Breuer moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Randy Martin. On voice vote, all members approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

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