



TIMBERWOLF NEWS

September 2016

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IMPORTANT DATES

- September 5
No School
- September 7
Board Policy/
Curriculum Com.
- September 12 & 13
Picture Day
- September 14
Build/Ground Com.
Board Meeting
- September 19-23
Homecoming Week

Meet the New Staff at River



River Ridge is pleased to welcome the following new employees to the district (left to right) Susana Magsig - Grade 7-12 Spanish, Ashlee Frey - Grade 7-12 English, Rebecca Bjurquist - Elementary Special Education, Jennifer Perry - K-12 Instrumental Music, Kevin Kocer - Business Manager, and Troy Dilley - K-12 Art .

Guest And Visitor Protocol

During the School Day (8:00 am – 3:00 pm)

- All school doors at both sites will be locked throughout the school day.
- If you wish to enter the school, please ring the doorbell at the entrance and you will be buzzed in by office personnel.
- Guests and visitors **MUST** report to the office before entering further into the building. Office personnel will ask you to sign in and will give you a visitor’s badge to wear.
- All staff members (including substitutes) are to be consistent about stopping anyone who does not have identification to ensure our students’ safety. The visitor’s pass is a way to show that you have signed in and that you are a safe person to be in our hallways.
- When you have completed your visit, please return the badge to the office, sign out, and leave through the front doors.

Before and After School

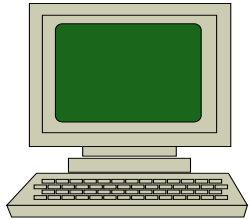
- Parents may drop their child/children off inside the main entrance, and pick up their child/children in the cafeteria at the end of the day. Staff will be available in the cafeteria at the end of the day to assist with this process.

School Parking

This is a reminder to use marked parking stalls only when dropping off or picking up your children at school. Please do not block the flow of traffic by parking in through lanes!

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.



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Picture Day

DATE CHANGE!

Please mark your calendar. River Ridge student school pictures have been changed to September 12 and September 13. The picture envelopes will be sent home with you child. You are required to make a check payable to B & C Studios for the picture packets. The envelope with your packet choice and payment for each child must be given to the photographer the day of pictures.

The schedule is as follows:

Monday, September 12 – 8:00 AM – Patch Grove Building
4K – 4th grade and 7th – 12th

Tuesday, September 13 – 8:00 AM – Patch Grove Building
Alternate 4K class
9:30 AM - Bloomington Building
5th - 6th Grade

MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE

A PRODUCTION OF MCT, INC.

Rumpelstiltskin

November 5, 2016

River Ridge School District will once again host Missoula Children's Theatre from October 31 to November 5, 2016. The production will be Rumpelstiltskin.

We will have auditions on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at 3:30 PM in the River Ridge Elementary Gym. Students, who are from the River Ridge School District and in grades 5K through grade 12, may audition. Rehearsals will be in the River Ridge Elementary Gym and Multipurpose Room from 3:30 - 8:00 PM on Tuesday through Friday. Students will also have a full dress rehearsal on the morning of Saturday, November 5. The performances will be in the River Ridge High School Gym at 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM on Saturday, November 5, 2016. For information on Missoula, go to mctinc.org.

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 Athletic Boosters

by Angie Esser

The mission of the athletic boosters is to support and improve the River Ridge sports programs, recognize individual student athletes, team achievements, and help pay for items that the coaches request, but are not afforded through the school budget.

A few of the contributions we make:

- Two \$300 scholarships awarded annually
- Weight room equipment
- Purchase sports schedules printing
- Food allowance for a team/person to state
- Donate to post prom
- Feed both teams for the homecoming football game

A few ways we are able to earn money to help support the athletic boosters:

- 50/50 raffle at home games
- Vending machine
- Concessions stand

We are looking for any individuals to help sell 50/50 tickets during boys and girls home games.

To help support the athletic boosters, buy your 50/50 raffle tickets at each home game.

Thank you for your continued support!

River Ridge Homecoming 2016

by Mickey Quick

Homecoming activities will take place at River Ridge High School the week of September 19 to September 23. The theme for homecoming is "Board Games" and the football game will be against Shullsburg Friday night at 7:00.

Wednesday evening will start with a color run at the River Ridge High School that will go from 6:00 – 7:00 PM for families and individuals to enjoy. We will also have food available at this time for those who wish to come on out and have a sandwich and soup. At 7:30 PM on Wednesday evening, the skit, lip sync and coronation program will take place in the high school gym. Student Council will sponsor a 50-50 raffle.

The parade will be held Thursday evening starting at 6:00 in Bloomington. The route will begin at the Village Park and head up Congress Street. It will end at the corner of Congress Street and Mill Street. Any group or organization that would like to be in the parade should be there by 5:30 PM. Contact Mickey Quick or Lisa Clark for more information. Following the parade will be the powderpuff football match between the freshman and sophomores followed up by the junior and senior game on the football field at the Upper Elementary. Fireworks will follow the powderpuff games at approximately 8:00 PM. Thank you to RRAP (River Ridge Active Parents) for funding the fireworks display. The entire community is welcome to come on out and enjoy the festivities – weather permitting. The River Ridge National Honor Society will have food available during the evening.

During the homecoming game halftime, the Timberwolves' Spirit Award plaque will be presented to the class that has accumulated the most points from the banner, lip sync, skit, float building, and Purple Day competitions. The members of the homecoming court will be recognized at halftime and the River Ridge dance team and band will perform.

The Booster Club will be selling concessions at the game Friday night. (The food is always excellent!)

Homecoming week will end with an activity sponsored by the senior class.

Any questions regarding homecoming can be directed to Mickey Quick at 994-1030 quickmi@rrsd.k12.wi.us or Lisa Clark at 994-1066 clarkli@rrsd.k12.wi.us.

FFA News by Bret Iverson**River Ridge FFA Qualifies for National FFA Soils Contest Second Year in a Row**

At Farm Technology Days in Walworth, WI, the River Ridge FFA competed in the state FFA Soils contest. The top five senior teams advance to the National Soils Contest in Oklahoma this coming spring. The senior team consisting of Katelyn Quick, Dillin Meier, Justin Morrow and Blake Wegmuller will be moving on this spring to nationals with a third place finish. Katelyn Quick was state winner as an individual. The junior individual Matt Morrow placed third overall in the junior competition. Students in both contests judged four pits for soil quality, uses, conservation practices, and problems. They also gave recommendations based on the pit data cards.

Kendra Jentz Selected to Represent Wisconsin at the World Food Prize in Des Moines, IA

Last April, Kendra Jentz wrote a paper on food security and related issues in Tanzania. She presented her paper at UW-Madison and attended classes at the campus on poverty, agronomy, and food preservation. This summer Kendra was selected as a delegate to represent Wisconsin at the World Food Prize in Des Moines, IA. This a prestigious honor. The program was founded by Dr. Norman Borlaug (Father of the "Green Revolution") and Nobel Laurette.

FFA Members Participate at Grant County Fair in Lancaster

Lexi Harper was the runner-up Master Showman at the Grant Co. Fair. She showed five species of livestock and was judged on knowledge and showing technique. She was a leader in beef with her heifers as a showman which helped her to qualify. She was awarded a belt and \$75 second prize. Others showing were Ethan Esser-sheep, Amber Patterson, Taylor Cooley and Skyler Schlueter -beef, Nathan French and Alicia Baker-dairy

Area Qualifier in Tractor Driving Winner from River Ridge FFA

Matt Walz qualified for the second year in a row for the Safe Tractor Driving Contest. He competed in the state contest at Farm Technology Days in Walworth, WI. Matt did very well demonstrating safe operation of several tractors and equipment. He placed 8 out of 14.

Up Coming Events**September 3 - River Ridge FFA Alumni Tractor Ride**

Line up at the high school at 8:00 am and ride leaves by 9:00 am. Cost is \$10.00 per tractor and \$ 5.00 per rider. You can ride on a wagon if you do not have tractor.

September 10 - Dairy Challenge

September 21 - FFA Alumni Meeting - 7:00 pm in the Agriculture Room (Parents and Agriculture Supporters Welcome)

September 24 - World Beef Expo

September 30 - River Ridge Dairy and Livestock CDE Judging Contest - 9:00 am

October 4 - World Dairy Expo**River Ridge Named Grow Rural Education Grant Winner!**

River Ridge School District's agriculture program, working together with the entire school district and area farmers, has received the America's Farmers: Grow Rural Education Grant sponsored by Monsanto. The grant supports the integration of math and science into education programs. Our project is called "One STEM at a Time." Bret Iverson, RRSD Ag Instructor and FFA Advisor, extends his thanks to those who helped prepare the grant application and those who nominated our project to Monsanto!

One STEM at a Time will engage students in grades K-12. Main components of the project are building 20 raised beds, a high tunnel greenhouse, science and math stations in the school's garden/test plot and purchasing tillers, other garden equipment, and testing equipment. Locally raised funds will support: repair of the school's greenhouse, landscaping the garden area, purchasing some equipment, and annual plant production in the gardens. Our FFA and agriculture program will construct most of the projects.

Benefits are many. Students will be able to develop a supervised agricultural experience project at school and sell produce to local residents and the school district. Teachers can use the gardens and labs as a teaching tool. Our school's food service department will be able to purchase produce from the project at a reduced cost. One STEM at a Time will give more students exposure to agriculture, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

How can you help?

Under terms of the grant, we need to secure local support in the amount of \$15,000 over a five-year period. We will be working to obtain \$15,000 in donations from individuals and businesses in the district to be paid over five years. To-date, we've secured \$5,000 in local pledges. We will also welcome one time donations of cash, time, resources, and/or labor. If you are interested in donating, please contact Mr. Iverson at 608-994-2715.



High School Counselor News

by Caron Townsend

HOMECOMING CONCESSION STAND

The River Ridge National Honor Society will be hosting a Homecoming Concession Stand on Thursday, September 22, 2016 after the homecoming parade and during the powder puff football game. Dinner type items will be available so please come & enjoy.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SPONSORING BLOOD DRIVE

River Ridge National Honor Society and Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will be sponsoring their annual Blood Drive on Monday, October 26, 2016 from 7:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m. in the River Ridge High School multi-purpose room. Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center is the exclusive provider of blood products and services to 80 hospitals in Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Wisconsin including Grant Regional Health Center in Lancaster.

The public is welcome. Our goal is 50 units so please come and help the cause. If you wish to donate, contact Garth Osterday at 994-2715 or e-mail osterdaga@rrsd.k12.wi.us.

2016-17 SCHOOL COUNSELING ACTIVITIES

- Sept. 20, 2016** Wisconsin Education Fair UW-Platteville
Juniors – 8:30-11:30
- Oct. 26, 2016** NHS Blood Drive – 7:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
- Oct. 26, 2016** Financial Aid Night – 7:00 p.m.
- Oct. 19, 2016** PSAT Testing (Juniors) – 8:00-11:00
- Nov. 1 & 2, 2016** Friends Helping Friends Training – 8:00-3:15
- TBD** Friends Helping Friends Classroom Presentations
- Jan. 16-20, 2017** 2017-18 High School Course Registration
- Jan. 11, 2017** 8th Grade Registration – 7:00 p.m.
- February 28, 2017** ACT (Juniors) – 8:00 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.
- March 1, 2017** WorkKeys (Juniors) – 8:00 a.m.-11:15 a.m.
- March 21, 2017** ACT Make-Ups
- March 22, 2017** WorkKeys Make-Ups
- April 24-
May 26, 2017** ACT Aspire 9 & 10 Testing Window
- April 26, 2017** NHS Banquet – 7:00 p.m.
- May 4, 2017** 8th Grade Orientation – 8:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
- May 24, 2017** Senior Awards Banquet – 7:00 p.m.
- May 26, 2017** Graduation – 7:00 p.m.



*Bring Scouting to River Ridge School District,
become a Cub Scout Leader!*

Is your son interested in going fishing, building a race car, learning to shoot a bow and arrow, attending a baseball game, or going to the zoo? Cub Scouts (grades 1-5) offers these activities and more and helps to strengthen the relationship between your son and his family. To offer scouting in the River Ridge School District we need scouting leaders! If you are interested in being trained as a Cub Scout leader, contact Matt Ohms, Field Director, Blackhawk Area Council at 815-397-0210 x7531 or email Matt.ohms@scouting.org

Use of Video Cameras On School Buses

The River Ridge School District approves the use of video cameras on school buses for the primary purpose of reducing disciplinary problems and vandalism on the bus, thereby allowing the driver to focus on the driving of the bus and providing for safer transportation of students.

Thank You

River Ridge School District thanks the Royal Neighbors in Bagley for their gracious donation of five back packs loaded with back to school supplies. The packs will go to needy students.

We also want to thank Clare Bank, Peoples State Bank, The River Ridge Athletic Boosters, and Tricor Insurance for donating funds to print our River Ridge school athletic schedules. Go Wolves!



Keep Collecting

by Lisa Clark

- River Ridge School District is collecting:
1. Box tops - 50 per bag
 2. Pop tabs from the tops of cans (this helps family's stay at the Ronald McDonald House)
 3. Moolah milk labels/Donuts to Dough(Kwik Trip/Kwik Star)
 4. Capri Sun pouches - no straws please
 5. Land O'Lakes caps
 6. Malt O'Meal cereal bags (need the whole bag)
 7. Sunny D (UPC only)
 8. Country Hearth (UPC label) –loaves4learning
 9. Golden Guernsey Dairy-Cash for Kids - milk caps
 10. Prairie Farms - (milk caps)

When turning the collectables in, please consider that we have to separate and count each item. Please have them separated. That will help tremendously. When Capri Sun Pouches are with other items, like box tops or labels, they get wet and labels are thrown away. There are drop-off bins in the office at both sites and outside Mrs. Clark's classroom door at the elementary. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Clark at 994-2715.

Attention! Attention! Attention!

Campbells Soup Labels have ended their program.

Thank you for helping collect for so many years. The soup label program helped River Ridge with recess equipment for many years. We are sad to see the program end.

Please remember to keep collecting the other 10 items.

Thanks again



River Ridge School District 2016-2017 Calendar



August 2016						
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August 31 Open House - 4K-6th Grade
3:30 - 6:30 PM
September 1 First Day of School
September 5 No School - Labor Day
October 12 No School - In-service Day
October 28 No School

February 2017						
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November 4 End of 1st Quarter
November 8 P/T Conference - 3:30 - 7:30 PM
November 10 P/T Conference - 3:30 - 7:30 PM
November 11 No School
November 23 - 25 No School

March 2017						
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December 23 - 30 No School
January 2 No School
January 3 School Resumes
January 20 End of 2nd Quarter
January 23 No School - Records Day
February 8 No School - In-Service Day

April 2017						
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March 13 P/T Conference - 3:30-7:30 PM
March 16 P/T Conference - 3:30-7:30 PM
March 17 No School
March 29 End of 3rd Quarter
April 14 & 17 No School

May 2017						
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May 29 No School - Holiday
June 2 Last Day of School
Early Release - 12:30 PM

June 2017						
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Elementary & Middle/High School
11165 County Road P, Patch Grove
Phone: 608-994-2715

Upper Elementary
545 Mill Street, Bloomington
Phone: 608-994-2711
www.rrsd.k12.wi.us

- Open House
- First and Last Day of School
- No School
- Parent/Teacher Conferences

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 Labor Day No School	6 4:30 PM MS VB @ Potosi 5:30 PM JV FB @ Belmont 6:00 PM VB vs Cassville	7 5:15 PM Board Policy/ Curr. Committee	8 4:30 PM MSVB @ Fennimore 6:00 PM VB @ Highland	9 7:00 PM FB vs Clear Lake at GET High School	10 11:00 AM MS FB vs Cassville
11 Grandparents Day	12 4:30 PM MS VB vs Bluff V. 5:30 PM JV FB vs IowaGrant	13 5:00 PM Fresh VB 6:00 PM VB vs Shullsburg	14 5:00 PM Build./Grounds 6:00 PM Board Meeting	15 5:00 PM MS FB @ Riverdale 6:00 PM VB @ Potosi	16 7:00 PM FB @ Necedah	17 9:00 AM VB tourney at Cassville
18	19 4:30 PM Fresh VB @ PDC 4:30 PM MS VB vs Fennimore 5:00 PM JV FB @ N. Crawford 6:00 PM VB vs Benton	20 MS/HS Honors Choir 7:00 PM Concert 8:30 AM Education Fair at UW Platteville	21 HS English Trip to Spring Green	22	23 Homecoming 7:00 PM FB vs Shullsburg	24 11:00 AM MS FB vs Darlington
25	26 5:30 PM JVFB vs Shullsburg	27 4:30 PM MS VB @ Cassville 6:00 PM VB @ Belmont	28 6th Gr Outdoor Ed. @ Wyalusing Park 4:30 PM MSVB vs Boscobel 6:00 PM VB @ Cassville	29	30 9:00 AM RR FFA Judging 1:00 PM 3rd Gr. Scarecrow 7:00 PM FB vs Pec/Argyle	

SEPTEMBER 2016

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1 Trix Yogurt & Pop Tart Pizza Choice Fresh Vegetables & Dip Tossed Romaine Salad (K-4) Salad Bar (5-12) Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	2 Cheese Omelet Hamburger/Cheeseburger French Fries/Sweet Potato Fries Green Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit
5 No School	6 Cereal & Toast French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Hashbrown Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	7 Trix Yogurt & Cereal Bar Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Steamed Broccoli Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit Garlic Toast	8 Breakfast Casserole & Toast Hot Ham & Cheese Potato Wedges Baked Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	9 Breakfast Pizza Chicken Fajita Savory Rice Steamed Carrots Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit September Birthday Treat
12 PB&J Uncrustables & Cereal Dog in a Blanket Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	13 Breakfast Biscuit Tacos with the Works Buttered Corn Tossed Romaine Salad (K-4) Salad Bar (5-12) Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	14 Cheese Omelet & Toast Hamburger/Cheeseburger Potato Wedges Steamed Carrots Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	15 Strawberry Smoothie & Muffin Chicken & Gravy over Mashed Potatoes Peas Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit Dinner Roll	16 Pancakes & Sausage BBQ's Cheesy Hashbrowns Green Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit
19 Cereal & Toast French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Hashbrown Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	20 Breakfast Cake & Yogurt Terriyaki Chicken Oriental Vegetables Steamed Rice Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	21 Cheese Omelet & Sausage Links Chicken Patty on a Bun Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	22 Breakfast Casserole & Toast Stromboli French Fries Steamed Carrots Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	23 Waffles & Baked Ham Pizza Choice Fresh Vegetables & Dip Tossed Romaine Salad (K-4) Salad Bar (5-12) Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit
26 French Toast Sticks & Sausage Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Steamed Carrots Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit Fresh Bread Slice	27 Breakfast Pizza Dog in a Blanket Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	28 Cheese Omelet & Toast Hamburger/Cheeseburger Potato Wedges Peas Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	29 Fruit Smoothies & Pop Tart Chicken Nuggets AuGratin Potatoes Tossed Romaine Salad (K-4) Salad Bar (5-12) Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit	30 PB&J Uncrustables & Cereal Pizza Casserole Green Beans Fresh Fruit & Canned Fruit Garlic Breadstick



Breakfast Notes
Breakfast is served with the choice of fruit and milk

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.

In accordance with Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.

River Ridge Board Acts to Place Referendum on November Ballot

At an August 25 meeting, the River Ridge Board voted to place two separate referendum questions on the November ballot. (The two questions are printed below.) Public information sessions regarding the proposed projects will be held prior to Nov. 8. Dates and times of information sessions will be posted on the district website and in local newspapers.

Referendum

QUESTION NUMBER I

Shall the River Ridge School District, Grant County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,500,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of combining current District facilities to create one Pre K-12 campus at the Patch Grove site, including a classroom and gymnasium addition, remodeling and renovation projects, energy efficiency improvements, site and baseball field improvements and acquiring related furnishings, fixtures and equipment; and refinancing a state trust fund loan issued to provide interim financing for certain of the purposes described above?

- YES
- NO

Referendum

QUESTION NUMBER II

Shall the River Ridge School District, Grant County, Wisconsin be authorized to issue pursuant to Chapter 67 of the Wisconsin Statutes, general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for the public purpose of paying the cost of financing improvements to the athletic fields at the Patch Grove site?

- YES
- NO

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE RIVER RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN: JULY 21, 2016 AT 6:00 PM

I. **Call to Order** - Board President Kenny Nies called the meeting to order at 6:00

II. **Roll Call** – All board members were present.

III. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

IV. **Statement of Notice** - Cory Moravits presented proof of posting on July 15, 2016 at 12:00 pm. The motion to approve the posting was made by Jason Cathman and seconded by Dave Breuer. The motion carried by a voice vote.

V. **Boardsmanship Discussion** – Attorneys Steve Zach and Eileen Brownlee facilitated a boardsmanship discussion with a question and answer session following.

VI. **Convene into Closed Session** – Kerri Schier made the motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to consider employee performance evaluation. The motion was seconded by Cory Moravits and passed on a roll call vote. The Board convened into closed session at 7:09 pm.

VII. **Reconvene in Open Session** – Dave Breuer moved to reconvene into open session at 8:01. The motion was seconded by Jason Cathman and passed on a voice vote.

VIII. **Action on Closed Session** matters – there was no action taken regarding the closed session discussion.

IX. **Appearances** - There were no public appearances.

X. **Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes** – Dave Breuer made the motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from June 16, 2016. Jason Cathman seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes – Cory Moravits made the motion to approve the special meeting minutes from July 6, 2016. Dave Breuer seconded the motion and it passed on a voice vote.

XI. **Reports**

A. Finance

- i. Financial statements, receipts, and expenditures – Business Manager Kevin Kocer presented the financial reports.

The following General Fund receipts were reviewed: Seneca School District, 150.00; Cooks, 10.46; Microtel,

13.00; Terra Cycle Inc., 163.01; Cassville School District, 9,921.62; Prairie du Chien School District, 6,639.00; Dept. of Health Services, 17,789.26; Staff/District, 27.98; U.S. Dept. of Education, 2,640.87; State of Wisconsin, 58,395.00; C.E.S.A. #3, 4,729.82; River Ridge HS Pupil Activity, 14,542.51; Nancy Fassbinder, 10.89; State of Wisconsin, 3,125.38; State of Wisconsin, 130,285.46; State of Wisconsin, 1,154,731.00; State of Wisconsin, 4,183.52; State of Wisconsin, 14,693.62; State of Wisconsin, 762.58; State of Wisconsin, 18,285.00; R.R.A.P.T., 5,608.87; Cuba City School District, 3,245.73; River Ridge HS Pupil Activity, 3,111.31; State of Wisconsin, 7,472.52; Dept. of Health Services, 3,650.23; E.M.C. Insurance Companies, 500.00; State of Wisconsin, 353.78; Peoples State Bank, 39.76; First Merit Bank, 10.53; Peoples State Bank, 64.33; Clare Bank, 47.10; Anchor Bank, 11.65; BMO Harris Bank, 0.85;

The following Flexible Benefits Account receipts were reviewed: River Ridge School District, 834.42;

The following Scholarship Fund receipts were reviewed: Timberwolf Touchdown Club, 1,000.00; Peoples State Bank, 77.21; First Merit Bank, 3.88; Peoples State Bank, 0.06; Peoples State Bank, 0.04; Clare Bank, 0.44; Clare Bank, 0.14; Anchor Bank, 0.05; Anchor Bank, 13.82;

The following Insurance Fund receipts were reviewed: Benefit Plan Administrators, 50.79; Betty Cooley, 164.00; Carol Kalinowski, 110.50; Judith Taylor, 47.00; Ann Hanson, 110.50; River Ridge Employee Insurance Fund, 6,133.00; Judith Taylor, 47.00; Peoples State Bank, 31.26; Clare Bank, 0.65;

The following Fund 46 receipts were reviewed: River Ridge School District, 5,000;

The following Debt Service Fund 39 receipts were reviewed: Peoples State Bank, 1.88;

The following Debt Service Fund 38 receipts were reviewed: Peoples State Bank, 0.02;

The following General Fund expenditures were reviewed: Jeffrey Simmons, 165.00; Blackhawk Motors, 18,00.00; Clare Bank, 72.99; A.F.L.A.C. Premium Holding, 1,910.21; Ameritas, 155.00; Clare Bank, 2,875.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account, 834.42; Employee Insurance Fund, 6,133.00; First Merit Bank N.A., 32,686.94; Horace Mann Companies, 87.06; Horace Mann Life Ins. Company, 1,366.48; Lincoln Life Administrator, 53.50; Madison National Life, 2,770.05; Minnesota Life Ins. Co., 1,249.68; National Insurance Co. of WI, 1,195.38; Superior Vision Insurance Plan, 1,372.70; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue,

5,916.57; Wisconsin Retirement System, 17, 612.30; Keri Achenbach, 399.00; Jeff Athey, 141.48; Janet Block, 125.00; Lester Breuer, 16.74; Sue Christ, 8.91; Lisa Clark, 109.62; Trudy DeSimons, 1,733.53; Kimberly Giese, 200.00; Carol Harris, 42.20; Clay Koenig, 227.88; Sue Kuenster, 49.14; Deborah Martell, 40.86; Deb Martin, 154.08; Ellen Martin, 147.42; Sandra Mergen, 120.96; Jennifer Mohn, 31.32; Garth Osterday, 92.88; Patrick Patterson, 5.13; Barbara Ploessl, 144.72; Shane Sperle, 132.30; Brooke Tesar, 7.56; Caron Townsend, 187.38; Debra Trautsch, 1,039.50; Wendy Whitney-Scherer, 20.52; Wade Winkers, 112.32; Abdo Publishing Company, 211.69; A-Line Machine Tool Co., 6,449.00; Allen Roofing & Construction Inc., 30,975.00; Alliant Energy/WPL, 6,313.88; Apple, 10,679.00; B.L. Murray Inc., 225.60; Bloomington Floral, 109.00; Bloomington Meat Processing, 274.03; Bloomington Postmaster, 110.00; Bloomington Stop & Go, 51.54; Boardman & Clark, LLP, 14,071.95; Boscobel Area Schools, 21,322.57; C.A.P. Inc., 168.00; C.D.W. Government Inc., 2,323.37; C.E.S.A. #3, 2,650.00; Cassville Public Schools, 13,278.00; Clinicare Corporation, 9,528.38; Country Today, 40.00; DEMCO Inc., 126.93; Department of Administration, 1,500.00; Dependable Solutions Inc., 7,518.95; Design Home Building Materials, 1,067.85; E.M.C. Insurance Companies, 3,533.75; EBSCO Industries Inc., 679.25; Economy Feed Mill LLC, 770.40; Equipment Leasing Co., 330.00; Fennimore Community Schools, 6,639.00; Noel Ferguson, 850.00; First National Bank, 2,834.61; Follett School Solutions, 518.27; Lori Frailey, 150.00; Gordon Flesch Company Inc., 16,119.63; Gordon Food Service Inc., 6,086.23; Gumdrop Books, 2,730.78; Hermsens Inc., 83.22; HUDL, 1,799.00; Infobase Publishing, 2,278.85; Infomart Inc., 20.00; Institutional Replacement Hardware, 234.52; J.J. Keller & Assoc., 2,782.00; Jostens, 18.06; JR Electric Heating/AC, 776.00; Kalahari Resort, 545.00; Kraemers Water Store Inc., 34.30; Lancaster School District, 19,917.00; Langmeier Lumber Inc., 539.78; Morris Newspaper Corp. of WI, 145.93; Nelsons True Value, 208.74; New Horizons Supply Co-Op, 324.81; Ninite, 2,220.00; Okeys Market, 7.77; P.B.B.S. Equipment Corp., 4,269.00; P.D.S., 5,380.32; Pan O Gold Baking Co., 264.48; Papa Murphys, 171.70; Patch Grove Postmaster, 110.00; Laurie Pedretti, 16.00; Platteville Cleaners Inc., 26.25; Prairie Farms Dairy, 2,614.07; Presidio Infrastructure Solutions LLC, 138.75; Julie Raisbeck, 125.00; River Ridge HS Pupil Act., 1,208.49; River Ridge School District, 5,000.00; River Ridge Special Checking, 491.99; Sanacare, Inc., 2,762.60; T.D.S. Telecom Inc., 783.57; Tech4Learning, 702.05; The Lampo Group LLC, 750.00; Town & Country Sanitation, 425.00; Tumbleweed Press Inc., 1,198.00; UW Lacrosse, 370.00; W.A.R.C.O. Transportation, 91,382.44; W.A.S.B. Inc., 5,310.00; W.A.S.B.O.

Foundation, 915.00; W.H.S.F.A., 425.00; WE Energies, 631.74; West Music Company, 62.82; WI Taxpayers Alliance, 9.95; WISNET, 525.00; Woodworkers Supply Inc., 86.28; Yeomans Inc., 893.31; Zip Print, 117.88; Ameritas, 155.00; Clare Bank, 2,875.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account, 679.17; Horace Mann Life Ins. Company, 1,366.48; Lincoln Life Administrator, 53.50; Madison National Life, 58.26; Peoples State Bank, 32,092.81; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 5,999.63; Wisconsin Retirement System, 17,897.20; Peoples State Bank, 13,408.37; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 2,033.40; Wisconsin Retirement System, 4,990.82; A.F.L.A.C. Premium Holding, 1,910.21; Ameritas, 155.00; Clare Bank, 2,875.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account, 834.42; Employee Insurance Fund, 117,884.79; Horace Mann Companies, 87.06; Horace Mann Life Ins. Company, 1,366.48; Lincoln Life Administrator, 53.50; Madison National Life, 2,896.00; Minnesota Life Ins. Co., 1,294.80; National Insurance Co. of WI, 1,191.87; Peoples State Bank, 29, 504.09; Superior Vision Insurance Plan, 1,372.70; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 5,410.59; Wisconsin Retirement System, 17,885.52; Peoples State Bank, 734.73; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 53.70; Wisconsin Retirement System, 160.06; Ameritas, 155.00; Clare Bank, 2,415.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account, 554.17; Employee Insurance Fund, 5,013.01; Horace Mann Life Ins. Company, 1,116.48; Lincoln Life Administrator, 53.50; Peoples State Bank, 23,467.46; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 4,272.42; Wisconsin Retirement System, 13,927.48; Ameritas, 155.00; Clare Bank, 2,415.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account, 554.17; Employee Insurance Fund, 4,899.61; Horace Mann Life Ins. Company, 1,116.48; Lincoln Life Administrator, 53.50; Peoples State Bank, 23,224.76; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 4,243.38; Wisconsin Retirement System, 13,776.40; A.F.L.A.C. Premium Holding, 1,650.17; Ameritas, 155.00; Clare Bank, 2,415.00; Employee Flexible Benefit Account, 709.42; Employee Insurance Fund, 96,222.79; Horace Mann Companies, 68.16; Horace Mann Life Ins. Company, 1,116.48; Lincoln Life Administrator, 53.50; Madison National Life, 2,206.21; Minnesota Life Ins. Co., 961.67; National Insurance Co. of WI, 894.20; Peoples State Bank, 22,838.51; Superior Vision Insurance Plan, 1,147.00; Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue, 4,121.17; Wisconsin Retirement System, 13,927.66; A Wish Come True, 1,524.00; A.B.C. Teach LLC, 39.99; Alliant Energy/WPL, 72.70; Amazon/Synchrony Bank, 7,742.83; Jeff Athey, 49.68; Badger Sporting Goods, 5,700.00; Bloomington Meat Processing, 49.59; C.D.W. Government Inc., 496.83; C.E.S.A. #3, 459.17; C.E.S.A. #8, 500.00; Cambium learning Inc., 58.50; Chubb & Son, 28,387.00; Click N Kids, 134.55; Dell Marketing L.P., 1,942.76; Depend-

able Solutions Inc., 6,759.99; Douglas, 1,898.00; EDC Educational Services, 169.09; Education.com, 47.88; Nancy Fassbinder, 41.04; G.F.C. Leasing, 492.85; Gordon Flesch Company Inc., 808.42; Carol Harris, 20.52; Hermsens Inc., 375.98; Informart Inc., 60.00; JR Consulting Services LLC, 285.00; K-Log, 7,296.62; Katherine Knapp, 18.36; Kevin Kocer, 60.48; Kraemer Air Filter Corp., 479.08; Langmeier Lumber Inc., 332.42; LBS Automotive Services LLC, 98.50; Learning A-Z, 219.90; Lifeline Amplification Sys., 2,200.00; Menards, 538.37; Moby Max, 698.00; Jennifer Mohn, 399.00; P.B.B.S. Equipment Corp., 1,237.88; P.D.S., 40,189.50; Pals Marketplace, 678.07; Patch Grove Postmaster, 84.20; Platteville School District, 3,983.00; Rapids Foodservice Contract & Design, 14,008.00; Renaissance Learning Inc., 8,473.40; Riddell/All American, 1,300.00; S.S.E. Music, 84.50; Sanacare, Inc., 2,636.01; Scholastic Inc., 3,563.89; School Mate, 1,978.05; School Specialty Inc., 3,851.64; Sire T. Auto Body, 500.00; Spell-ingcity.com Inc., 332.00; Tanglewood Research, 194.00; Tierney Brothers Inc., 895.31; Caron Townsend, 375.00; U.S. Cellular, 128.85; Jeannie Vogt, 144.00; W.A.S.B.O. Foundation, 940.00; W.S.H.A., 125.00; Wal-Mart Community, 1,625.13; Walmart Community BRC, 14.95; Williams Landscaping, 31,776.91; American School Bd Journal, 273.00; B.L. Murray Inc., 356.46; Badger Welding Supplies, Inc., 1,237.35; Bloomington Floral, 23.00; Bloomington Stop & Go, 71.59; Courier Press, 250.00; Troy Dilley, 300.00; Dyer Communication Systems, 159.87; Hermsens Inc., 1,160.05; JR Electric Heating/AC, 192.90; Langmeier Lumber Inc., 297.72; Miller & Assoc. Sauk Prairie Inc., 16,168.00; Morris Newspaper Corp. of WI, 155.00; Nelsons True Value, 7.72; New Horizons Supply Co-Op, 388.86; Pan O Gold Baking Co., 68.94; Pitney Bowes Corp., 582.27; Presidio Infrastructure Solutions LLC, 693.75; Price Equipment Sales Inc., 37.50; Really Great Reading, 447.12; Renaissance Learning Inc., 599.00; River Ridge HS Pupil Act., 448.00; Sanacare, Inc., 440.73; School Specialty Inc., 4,549.20; Sharp Electronics Corporation, 320.82; State of Wisconsin, 250.00; T.D.S. Telecom Inc., 793.15; Telesolutions Consultants LLC, 688.39; Town & Country Sanitation, 425.00; Village of Patch Grove, 1,430.67; W.A.S.P.A., 150.00; West Music Company, 107.43; Yeomans Inc., 81.75; Zip Print, 552.00;

The following Fund 49 expenditures were reviewed: McK-instry Essention, Inc., 17,754.00;

The following Scholarship Fund expenditures were reviewed: Tristan Gotto, 250.00; Tristan Gotto, 154.11;

The following Insurance Fund expenditures were reviewed: Delta Dental, 487.75; Delta Dental, 700.00; Delta Dental, 3,367.00; Delta Dental, 3,820.27; United Healthcare, 794.24; United States Treasury, 474.24; Benefit Plan Administrators, 20,502.84; Benefit Plan Administrators,

21,274.47; Benefit Plan Administrators, 28,224.10; C.V.S. Caremark, 8,111.38; C.V.S. Caremark, 10,120.99; C.V.S. Caremark, 40.80;

The following Flexible Benefits Account expenditures were reviewed: Benefit Plan Administrators, 710.68; Benefit Plan Administrators, 1,886.36

Dave Breuer moved to accept the financial reports as presented. The motion was seconded by Cory Moravits and passed on a roll call vote.

ii. Kevin Kocer presented a Budget Amendment and Overview report for 2015/2016. Cory Raisbeck made the motion to approve the budget amendment and overview. Dave Breuer seconded the motion and it passed on a roll call vote.

iii. Kevin Kocer discussed the first draft of the 2016/2017 budget. Cory Moravits made the motion to approve the first draft of the 2016/2017 budget. Kerri Schier seconded the motion and it passed on a roll call vote.

B. Staff and Employee Relations Committee

i. The Committee met on July 11, 2016. Committee chair Jason Cathman discussed the superintendent evaluation form and evaluation process that the Committee is recommending to the Board. The motion to accept the evaluation form and process was made by Kerri Schier. The motion was seconded by Cory Moravits and passed on a voice vote.

C. Policy/Curriculum Committee – The Committee met on July 6, 2016. Committee chair Kerri Schier reported on the meeting.

i. The Committee recommended that the Board accept the Academic Standards Notification for 2016/2017. Cory Moravits made the motion to accept the Academic Standards Notification for 2016/2017. Jason Cathman seconded the motion and it passed on a voice vote.

ii. The Committee recommended that the Board waive a first reading and accept the Co-curricular Code revisions. Kerri Schier moved to accept the Co-curricular Code revisions. Cory Moravits seconded the motion and it passed on voice vote.

XII. Old Business

A. Long Range Plan Discussion

i. Representatives from McKinstry were on hand to discuss revisions regarding the five building options

- Option 1 – Classes at two sites/Athletics at two sites
- Bloomington (grades 5 & 6) Patch Grove (grades 4k – 4 and 7- 12)
 - Energy Improvements at both sites
 - \$4.6 - \$5.7 million
- Option 2 – Classes at two sites/Athletics at two sites
- Bloomington (grades 4k – 2) Patch Grove (grades 3 – 12)
 - Remodeling and energy improvements at both sites
 - \$5.1 - \$6.4 million
- Option 3 – Classes at one site/Athletics at two sites
- All students attend classes at Patch Grove
 - Addition, remodeling, and energy improvements
 - Bloomington – Locker Room or Restroom building constructed near Football field/track
 - \$8.6 - \$9.9 million
- Option 4 – Classes at one site/Athletics at one site
- All students attend classes at Patch Grove
 - Addition, remodeling, and energy improvements
 - Football / Track / Baseball / Softball at Patch Grove
 - \$11.7 - \$ 13.8 million

- Option 5 – Classes at one site/Athletics at two sites
- All students attend classes in Patch Grove
 - Addition and remodeling included. No energy improvement upgrades
 - Bloomington – Locker room or restroom building constructed near football field/track
 - \$ 5.8 - \$6.4 million

The Board discussed all the options. Cory Moravits made a motion to move forward with Option 3 with a separate question to move all athletic facilities to Patch Grove. Jason Cathman seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 – 2 on a roll call vote. Ken Nies, Kerri Schier, Cory Raisbeck, Jason Cathman, and Cory Moravits voted yes. Emilie Mumm and Dave Breuer voted no.

A motion was made by Cory Moravits to authorize McKinstry and Carol Wirth to move ahead with finalizing a dollar number for going to referendum in November. The motion was seconded by Kerri Schier. The motion passed on a roll call vote of 5 – 2. Ken Nies, Kerri Schier, Cory Raisbeck, Jason Cathman, and Cory Moravits voted yes. Emilie Mumm and Dave Breuer voted no.

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