

The “Morning” After

November 10, 2009

Monday, November 9, 2009, at 6:30 pm the River Ridge Board of Education, 4141 IL Rte 84 South; Hanover, IL conducted a District Planning Meeting.

Members David Howard, Barb Schaible, Don Altfillisch, Raymie Diestelmeier, Merri Sevey and Matt Wild answered roll call. Member G. Allen Crist entered the meeting at 7:00 pm. Also present Supt. Brad Albrecht, Principals Mike Foltz and Pete Scarano.

No action was taken during this session.

Discussed the following topics:

- School Finance: budget, sales tax and levy
- Negotiations: certified staff and bus drivers
- Building & Grounds
- Curriculum
- Energy
- H1N1
- Transportation
- Board Guidelines – awards
- School Board Convention

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November 17, 2009

Monday, November 16, 2009, President David Howard called the regular meeting of the River Ridge Community Unit School District #210 Board of Education to order at 7:00 pm. Board Members David Howard, Barb Schaible, G. Allen Crist, Don Altfillisch, Raymie Diestelmeier and Matt Wild answered roll call. Member Merri Sevey entered the meeting at 8:18 pm. Also present: Superintendent Brad Albrecht, Principal Pete Scarano, Principal Mike Foltz, Durrant Group representatives and members of the River Ridge faculty.

The Board took the following action:

Approved minutes from the October 19, 2009, regular and executive session board meeting, November 9, 2009 planning session and destruction of the executive session audio minutes from April 21, 2008.

Reviewed and accepted the Treasurer, Investment and Activity reports. The Board authorized and approved the payment of \$568,498.64 for bills and payroll.

Member Diestelmeier reviewed the November 2, 2009 Jo Daviess Area Vocational Center minutes. Outstanding Students of the 1st Quarter from River Ridge were Anna Smith, child care, and Kiresten Bauer, health occupations. The closing on the construction trades house is complete. Reimbursements for propane and association dues were also received.

Jim Sarcone, PFG Green Energy, gave details on the Helix Wind vertical turbine.

Supt. Albrecht said the 2009 Levy will be presented at the December meeting.

Approved the following Board Policy updates:

2:20 – Powers/Duties of School Board; 2:40 – Board Member Qualifications; 2:70E – Exhibit – Checklist for filling Board Vacancies by Appointment; 2:110 – Qualifications, Terms & Duties of Board Officers; 3:40 – Superintendent Duties; 4:30 – Revenue & Investments; 4:40 – Incurring Debt; 4:100 – Insurance Management; 4:110 – Transportation; 4:110-AP2 – Admin Procedure – Post-trip Inspection/Bus Driving Comments; 4:140 – Waiver of Student Fees; 4:140E – Exhibit – Application for Fee Waiver; 5:30 – Hiring Process & Criteria; 5:90 – Abused/Neglected Child Reporting; 5:100 – Staff Development Program; 5:120 – Ethics; 5:120AP2 – Admin Procedure – Employee Conduct Standards; 5:250 – Professional Personnel – Leaves of Absence; 5:280 – Educational Support Personnel – Duties/Qualifications; 5:330 – Educational Support Personnel – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays & Leaves; 6:110 –

Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School & Graduation Incentives Program; 6:300 – Graduation Requirements; 6:300E1 – Exhibit – Application for a Diploma for Veterans of WW II, Korean Conflict or Vietnam Conflict; 6:310 – Credit for Alternative Courses and Programs and Course Substitutions; 6:320 – High School Credit for Proficiency; 6:340 – Student Testing/Assessment Program; 7:100 – Health, Eye & Dental Examinations: Immunization and Exclusion of Students; 7:190 – Student Discipline; 7:240 – Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities; 7:300 Extracurricular Athletics; 8:100 – Relations w/Other Organizations/Agencies.

First reading of the following Board Policy updates:

4:120 – Food Services; 4:120AP – Admin Procedure Food Services; 4:130 – Free & Reduced-Price Food Services; 4:150 – Facility Management & Building Programs; 4:160 – Environmental Quality of Buildings & Grounds; 4:160AP – Admin Procedure Environmental Quality of Buildings & Grounds; 6:20 – School Year Calendar and Day; 6:50 – School Wellness; 6:185 – Remote Educational Program; 8:70 – Accommodating Individuals w/Disabilities.

After careful consideration and discussion, the Board voted five to one to dissolve the football coop with Warren CUSD #205 at the end of the 2009-2010 school year.

Administrators News:

Congratulations to Mrs. Miles, Mrs. Rijpma and the students for the entertaining production of “*Footloose*”. Thank you to all those who helped behind the scenes.

Received a note of appreciation for those students who participated in the Veteran’s Day service.

Nearly 89% of our elementary students’ parents attended fall conferences.

November 25th – 1:30 pm dismissal
December 9th - Elementary Holiday Concert
December 21st – MS/HS Holiday Concert

No action taken after executive session.

Subject for approval at the next regular meeting of the Board which is scheduled for Monday, December 21, 2009 at 5:45 pm.