



River Valley Board of Education
RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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**Work Session – RV Middle/High School Library
Monday, June 15, 2009 @ 7:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

Members Present: Michael Ehlert, J.C. German, Ron Petro, Fred Knutel, Victoria Pfauth,
Vickie Wagner

Members Absent: William Farhat

1.0 Call to Order

Vice-President Ehlert called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-President Ehlert led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 Approval of Agenda as Presented

Moved by Petro, supported by Knutel, to accept the agenda as presented, with the following changes:
Under Correspondence add MASB, Hourly Rate for services if needed during contract negotiations,
delete 9.4: Accept Staff Resignation; the Administration has not received letter of resignation. Add
Item 10.6: Co-Op agreement with Galien. All Ayes. Motion carried.

4.0 Review Regular Meeting Minutes of May 26, 2009. The Board reviewed the regular meeting minutes
of May 26, 2009. The Board will approve these minutes at their next regular meeting.

5.0 Correspondence:

- Thank You Card from Brunke's Small Engine-May 27, 2009: For purchase of new Ekmark Mower in February 2009.
- Thank You Card from Lisa Van Plew-Cid – May 28, 2009: For Recalling Her in a Timely Manner.
- Thank You Card from Laura Williams – June 1, 2009: Recognition and Gift Card on Retirement.
- Thank You Card from Bill Patejdl: Recognition and Gift Card on Retirement.
- Career Education/Homeless Consultant: Thank You for participating in the Michigan Department of Education/Homeless Division visit.
- Agreement Between River Valley School District and Michigan Association of School Boards Labor Relations Service: Consider continuing usage of MASB with an hourly retainer fee for legal services (if needed) during Contract Negotiations for the 2009-2010 school year. The Board verbally approved the Administration to continue with this service.

6.0 Buildings & Grounds: No Report.

7.0 Curriculum/Policy:

- 7.1 Consider Posting River Valley Board of Education Bylaws & Policies By NEOLA Online:** Moved by Wagner, supported by Petro, to post RV Board of Education Bylaws & Policies online, for a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. All Ayes. Motion carried.

8.0 Finance

- 8.1 Review Accounts Payable for June 2009 and the Treasurer's Report for May 2009:** Mrs. Capiak, District Business Manager, reviewed the Accounts Payable for June 2009 and the Treasurer's Report for May 2009. The Board will approve the Accounts Payable for June 2009 and the Treasurer's Report from May 2009 at the next Board meeting.
- 8.2 Consider Approval of Resolution for Adoption of 2009-2010 District Budget.** Moved by Petro, supported by Knutel, to Adopt the 2009 – 2010 District Budget. Roll Call Vote: Pfauth, Aye; Wagner, Aye; Petro, Aye; Ehlert, Aye; Knutel, Aye; German, Aye. Resolution was declared adopted (6-0).
- 8.3 Review Fourth Quarterly Budget Update for FY 2009:** Mrs. Capiak, District Business Manager, reviewed the Fourth Quarter Budget Update. The Board will approve the Fourth Quarter Budget Update at the next Board meeting.
- 8.4 Consider Approval of RVEA Financial Package.** The RVEA package includes a 2.5% salary increase. The amount of insurance premium the school district pays remains the same. Moved by Wagner, supported by Petro. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- 8.5 Consider Approval of SEIU Contract Language.** The SEIU package includes a 2.5% salary increase. The amount of insurance premiums for bus drivers (paid by district) increased per previous language 4.8% or; Full Family \$531.00 to \$556.00; Two Party from \$520.00 to \$54.00; Single from \$504.00 to \$528.00; Extra trip pay was also increased 2.5% or \$11.93 to \$12.23. Moved by Petro, supported by Pfauth, to approve SEIU Contract Language. All Ayes. Motion carried.

9.0 Personnel

- 9.1 Special Needs Van Driver:** Mr. Carter has declined the Special Needs Driver position; the Administration will post the position.
- 9.2 Review Recommendation to Hire Two School Bus Drivers.** Due to the resignation of Bill Patejdl and Sue Rubeck there were two vacancies. These positions were posted and two candidates were selected. The administration recommends that the Board hire Robert Brown and Diane Kliemchen with 60 day probation, effective September 1, 2009. The Board will take action on this item at the next regular meeting.
- 9.3 Award Certificates:** Mr. York, with the help of student Glenn Payne, constructed the platform used at graduation. Cost was approximately the cost of a one-time rental. A Certificate of Appreciation will be given.

10.0 Other

- 10.1 Review Resolution for 2009-2010 MHSAA Membership:** Recommended continuation at High School Level. We will follow rules at middle school; this will allow flexibility. The Board will review and take action on this item at the next regular meeting.
- 10.2 School Improvement Plan:** The District School Improvement Plan has been submitted on-line. This is a new procedure and was optional this year. River Valley chose to participate in this option. As a result, our plan is 58 pages long. There is a goal written for each core area. There should be approval of the Board for this plan. The Board will take action on this item at the next regular meeting.

- 10.3 Accept Staff Retirement:** Linda Weigel, Transportation Supervisor, would like to retire pending continued employment through Excalibur. Moved by Petro, supported by Wagner. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- 10.4 Recommend Excalibur Personnel Incorporated to Provide Transportation Supervision Services.** Moved by Petro, supported by Wagner. All Ayes. Motion carried.
- 10.5 Review Request for Facilities Use for 2010 Apple Cider Century Bicycle Tour.** The Board will take action on this item at the next regular meeting.
- 10.6 Cooperative Agreement with Galien:** The Board will need to decide whether to renew the agreement or drop the agreement based on River Valley being out of formula and with Galien anticipating starting a 9th grade class. Per Superintendent Schroeder, there is no benefit for River Valley or Galien to continue the agreement. The Board will take action on this item at the next regular meeting.

11.0 Items for Discussion Only: None

12.0 Adjournment: Moved by Wagner, supported by Petro, to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. All Ayes. Motion carried.

J.C. German, Secretary
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