

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
RIDGEWOOD COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 234
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Ridgewood Community High School District 234, was held at Ridgewood High School, 7500 West Montrose Avenue, Norridge, Illinois on Monday, November 16, 2020. President Draniczarek called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

QUORUM DECLARED PRESENT

Board President Pro Tempore Straughn declared a quorum of the Board of Education of District 234 was present at 7:05 PM.

Present: Members Paul Draniczarek (remote), Mike Straughn, Lisa Malicki, Frank DiPiero, Chris O'Leary, Tony Caringella and Jamie Richardson

Absent: None

Also present were Superintendent Jennifer Kelsall; Assistant Superintendent Tom Parrillo; Principal Gina Castellano, Assistant Principal Eric Lasky, and Recording Secretary Cindi Stazzone.

AGENDA REQUESTS

Motion by Member Caringella, second by Member O'Leary to approve the Consent Agenda and the Regular Agenda for the November 16, 2020, meeting of the Ridgewood High School District 234 Board of Education as presented on a roll call vote.

Mr. Draniczarek	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay
Mr. Straughn	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay
Ms. Malicki	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay
Mr. Caringella	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay
Mr. DiPiero	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay
Ms. Richardson	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay
Mr. O'Leary	<u> X </u> Aye	<u> </u> Nay

The President Pro Tempore Straughn declared the motion duly carried on this 16TH day of November, 2020.

II. USUAL RECURRING AGENDA ITEMS

***A. Approved Minutes of:**

- (1) Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of October 15, 2020 per Appendix II-A-1
- (2) Regular Board of Education Meeting of October 19, 2020 per Appendix II-A-2
- (3) Community Relations Subcommittee Meeting of November 5, 2020 per Appendix II-A-3
- (4) Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of November 5, 2020 per Appendix II-A-4

- *B. Approved Current Bills, Payrolls & Financial Documents**
 (1) Approved Accounts Payable of November 16, 2020 per Appendix II-B-1
 (2) Approved Revolving (Imprest) Fund Expenditures and Reimbursements per Appendix II-B-2
 (3) Ratified Payrolls of October 15 & 29, 2020 per Appendix II-B-3
 (4) Authorized Signing of Payroll Vouchers for December 15 & 31, 2020

III. MATTERS RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, INSTRUCTION, STUDENT SERVICES/ACTIVITIES

- A. Principal's Report**
 1. Presentation of the School Report Card
 2. Update of Dual Credit

- *B. Approved Request for Outside Fundraisers by Students**
 The Board approved the requests for Outside Fundraisers by Students per Appendix III-B.

IV. MATTERS RELATING TO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

- *A. Approved Personnel Report**
 The Board approved the Personnel Report as presented, per Appendix iv-A.

Support Staff

Name	Position	Effective	Salary *
Vasilakopoulos, Ted	Student Monitor	11/6/2020	Class 1, Step 1 \$20.41 per hour

New Hires for Co-Curricular Staff Appointments

Name	Position	Salary *
Geron, Chris	Assistant Baseball Coach	Lane 3, Step 1 \$4500.68
Hebert, Andrew	Science & Engineering Club Advisor	Lane 7, Step 1 \$2,597.35
Iovino, Vito	Assistant Baseball Coach	Lane 3, Step 1 \$4500.68

Resignation

Name	Position	Effective Date
Bukowski, George	Assistant Softball Coach	10/21/20

V. MATTERS RELATING TO BUSINESS, FINANCE, OPERATIONS AND FACILITIES

- A. Accepted Analysis of the Financial Condition of the District**
 The Board accepted the analysis of the financial condition of the district, per Appendix V-A.

- *B. Accepted Monthly Investment Analysis**
The Board accepted the monthly investment analysis of the district, per Appendix V-B.
- *C. Approved the Lifetouch Photography contract**
The Board approved the Lifetouch Photography contract for school year 2021-2022 per Appendix V-C.
- *D. Received the Annual Statement of Affairs**
The School Code of Illinois requires that specific pieces of financial information be prepared in the Annual Statement of Affairs. The law also requires that sections of the report be published in a local newspaper and submitted to the ISBE. The published reports are included in Enclosure V-D.
- *E. Retroactively Approved Date and Agenda for Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of November 5, 2020**
The Board retroactively approved the Date and Agenda for Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of November 5, 2020 per Appendix V-E.
- *F. Received Solicitation of Bids for Fiscal Year 2021**
The Board received Solicitation of Bids for Fitness Equipment, Weight Room Flooring and Refuse in FY 2021 per Appendix V-F.

VI. MATTERS RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, ADMINISTRATION, AND GOVERNANCE OF DISTRICT 234

- A. Received Correspondence, Announcements, Articles, Reports and Proposed Agendas for Board Meetings**
For your information:

 1. Superintendent's Report

 - Board Member Appreciation
 - Hybrid Survey Data Presentation
 - Monday Schedule Update
 2. Proposed Agenda for December 14, 2020 Board of Education Meeting
 3. **Approved the First Reading of the Proposed 2021-22 School Calendar**
The Board approved the First Reading of the Proposed 2021-22 School Calendar per Appendix VI-A-3.
 4. **Approved Memo of Understanding for Current Bargaining Agreement**
The Board Approved the Memo of Understanding to extend the Current Bargaining Agreement as presented, per Appendix VI-A-4.

Motion by Member Caringella , second motion by Member Malicki, to approve the Memo of Understanding to extend the Current Bargaining Agreement as presented.

Approve as presented by Roll Call Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Malicki	X			
Caringella	X			
DiPiero	X			
O’Leary	X			
Richardson	X			
Board President Pro Tempore Straughn declared the Motion:			Carried X	Defeated

VII. RECEIVED CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 16 THROUGH DECEMBER 14, 2020

Friday and Saturday, November 20-21 Fall Play – “Diary of Anne Frank” 7 PM
 Sunday, November 22 Fall Play – “Diary of Anne Frank” 2 PM
 Live Stream Only

Tuesday, November 24 No School –Remote Planning Day

Wednesday through Friday, November 25, 26 and 27 No School – Thanksgiving Holiday

Wednesday, December 2 Festa Italiana, 6:30 PM, Virtual Only

Monday, December 14 Regular Meeting, 7 PM, Community Room

VIII. TAKE FORMAL ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2020

Motion by Member O’Leary, second motion by Member DiPiero to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Approved as presented by Roll Call Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Malicki	X			
Caringella	X			
DiPiero	X			
O'Leary	X			
Richardson	X			

Board President Pro Tempore Straughn declared the Motion:

Carried X	Defeated
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<u>Item</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Action</u>
II-A-1	3	Appendix II-A-1	Approved minutes of Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of October 15, 2020;
II-A-2	3	Appendix II-A-2	Approved minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting of October 19, 2020;
II-A-3	3	Appendix II-A-3	Approved minutes of Community Relations Subcommittee Meeting of November 5, 2020;
II-A-4	3	Appendix II-A-4	Approved minutes of Finance-Audit Subcommittee of November 5, 2020;
II-B-1	3	Appendix II-B-1	Approved Accounts Payable of November 16, 2020;
II-B-2	3	Appendix II-B-2	Approved Revolving (Imprest) Fund Expenditures and Reimbursements;
II-B-3	3	Appendix II-B-3	Ratified Payrolls of October 15 & 29, 2020;
II-B-4	3	Narration for II-B-4	Authorized signing of Payroll Vouchers for December 15 & 31, 2020;
III-A-1	4	Appendix III-A-1	Accepted the Presentation of School Report Card;
III-B	4	Appendix III-B	Approved Requests for Outside Fundraisers by Students;
IV-A	5	Appendix IV-A	Approved the Personnel Report;

V-A	6	Appendix V-A	Accepted Analysis of the Financial Condition of the District;
V-B	6	Appendix V-B	Accepted Monthly Investment Analysis;
V-C	6	Appendix V-C	Accepted the Lifetouch Photography Contract for the 2021-22 school year;
V-D	6	Appendix V-D	Received Annual Statement of Affairs;
V-E	6	Appendix V-E	Retroactively Approved Date and Agenda for Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of November 5, 2020;
V-F	6	Appendix V-F	Approved Solicitation of Bids for Fitness Equipment, Weight Room Flooring and Refuse in FY21;
VI-A-3	7	Appendix VI-A-3	Approved the First Reading of the Proposed 2021-22 School Calendar;
VI-A-4	7	Appendix VI-A-4	Approved Memo of Understanding to Extend the Current Bargaining Agreement.

Approve as presented by Roll Call Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Malicki	X			
Caringella	X			
DiPiero	X			
O'Leary	X			
Richardson	X			

Board President Pro Tempore Straughn declared the Motion:

Carried X	Defeated
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IX. RECOGNIZED VISITORS AND INVITED COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Avena Colaris (parent) spoke to the board about the current Hybrid plan and the IHSA plan for sports during the Pandemic.

X. CONDUCTED BOARD FORUM

There was discussion regarding piloting devices in the classrooms. We want to make sure the teachers have what they need. OWL does not work in the classrooms. Once we figure out which devices work, we will be able to get more kids into the building. There was discussion regarding being in contact with any students that are struggling. Administrators are making personal contact with any student that is struggling.

There was a question about whether or not the coaches were reaching out to the students who are not currently participating. Most of our sports numbers are comparable to previous years. We have had good fall season sports and feel it is a big deal for kids to be participating in sports. The Board feels the coaches are taking responsibility when they can during the pandemic.

There was discussion regarding the Co-Curricular and Community Relations recent meetings and the fact that the staff is doing a great job getting the kids involved.

There was discussion regarding going full remote and continuing in trying to make sure the students are learning. We have had a 98 percent attendance rate during the pandemic.

There was discussion regarding when we can expect to see any changes for the second semester and if consideration is being given to going full remote after Christmas.

There was a question regarding any events coming up for families in need.

There was discussion regarding the recent Building and Grounds Subcommittee meeting and the fact that there may be increasing costs in our energy bills. Our HVAC system has done very well for 12 years and has been working extremely hard during the pandemic.

XI. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board did not convene to Executive Session.

XII. ADJOURN

Motion by Member DiPiero second motion by Member Malicki, to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

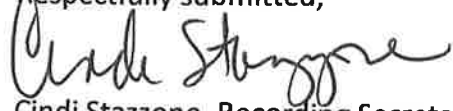
Approve as presented by Roll Call Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Malicki	X			
Caringella	X			
DiPiero	X			
O'Leary	X			
Richardson	X			

Board President Pro Tempore declared the Motion:


Carried X	Defeated
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Respectfully submitted,



Cindi Stazzone, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Mike Straughn, President Pro Tempore



Lisa Malicki, Secretary