

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
RIDGEWOOD COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 234
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023**

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, August 21, 2023. President Draniczarek called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited at the Budget Hearing/Adoption Meeting.

QUORUM DECLARED PRESENT

Board Secretary declared a quorum of the Board of Education of District 234 was present at 7:08 PM.

Present: Members Paul Draniczarek, Mike Straughn, Jamie Richardson
Frank DiPiero, Lisa Malicki, Chris O'Leary and Fiona Tanny.
Absent: None

Also present were Superintendent Jennifer Kelsall; Assistant Superintendent Tom Parrillo; Principal Eric Lasky; Recording Secretary Cindi Stazzone and those on the attached list.

AGENDA REQUESTS

Motion was made by Member Straughn and seconded by Member Tanny, to approve the Consent Agenda and the Regular Agenda for the August 21, 2023, meeting of the Ridgewood High School District 234 Board of Education as amended.

On voice vote, President Draniczarek declared the motion carried.

F. Introduction of New Staff

Jackie Van Special Education teacher, Max Wisniewski PE teacher, Oksana Vynnk EL teacher, Duha Aishah Science teacher, Ryan Goldflies Dean of Students and Agnes Stankiewicz Assistant Principal attended the meeting and introduced themselves to the Board of Education.

II. USUAL RECURRING AGENDA ITEMS

***A. Approved Minutes of:**

- (1) Regular Board of Education Meeting of June 26, 2023 per Appendix II-A-1.
- (2) Executive Session of Board of Education Meeting of June 26, 2023 per Appendix II-A-2.
- (3) Community Relations Subcommittee Meeting of August 3, 2023 per Appendix II-B-3.
- (4) Policy Subcommittee Meeting of August 7, 2023 per Appendix II-B-4.

- *B. Approved Current Bills, Payrolls & Financial Documents**
- (1) Ratified Accounts Payable for July 14, 2023 and approved Accounts Payable of August 15, 2023 per Appendix II-B-1.
 - (2) Approved Revolving (Imprest) Fund Expenditures and Reimbursements per Appendix II-B-2.
 - (3) Ratified Payrolls of June 15 & 30 and July 14 & 31, 2023 per Appendix II-B-3.
 - (4) Authorized Signing of Payroll Vouchers for September 15 & 29, 2023.

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

- A. Principal's Report**
1. Summer School Update **ENCLOSURE III-A-1**
 2. Review of AP Scores **ENCLOSURE III-A-2**
 3. Beginning of Year Update

- *B. Approved 2023-2024 Activity Handbook**
The Board approved the 2023-2024 Activity Handbook per Appendix III-B.

IV. MATTERS RELATING TO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

- *A. Approved Amended Personnel Report**
The Board approved the Amended Personnel Report as presented per Appendix IV-A.

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

- *A. Accepted Analysis of the Financial Condition of the District**
The Board accepted the monthly report on the financial condition of the District per Appendix V-A.
- *B. Accepted Monthly Investment Analysis**
The Board accepted the monthly investment analysis per Appendix V-B.
- *C. Accepted Annual Financial Report from Ridgewood Foundation**
The Board accepted the FY23 Financial Report from Ridgewood Foundation as presented per Appendix V-C.
- *D. Approved Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of September 6, 2023**
The Board approved the date and agenda for a Building and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of September 6, 2023 per Appendix V-D.

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
 - Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony September 9
 - Survey Results
 - Enrollment Update
 - Date for Committee of the Whole Subcommittee Meeting
2. Proposed Board of Education Agenda on September 18, 2023 per Enclosure VI-A-2.

B. Approved First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 3:20, *Organizational Chart
The Board approved the First Reading of Board Policy 3:20 *Organizational Chart* as presented per Appendix VI-B.

***C. Approved Superintendent's Goals for 2023-24 School Year**
The Board approved the Superintendent's Goals for 2023-24 school year as presented in Appendix VI-C.

***D. Approved First Reading and Adoption of Board Policies**
The Board approved the Reading and Adoption of Board Policies 4:45, 4:100, 5:230, 6:10, 7:275, 7:305 and 7:330 and Policies 2:80, 2:170, 6:190, 6:240, 8:25 and 8:95 with no changes per Appendix VI-D.

***E. Retroactively Approved Date and Agenda for Policy Subcommittee Meeting of August 7, 2023**
The Board retroactively approved Date and Agenda for Policy Subcommittee Meeting of August 7, 2023 per Appendix VI-E.

***F. Approved Memo of Understanding for new Custodial and Maintenance Assistant Position**
The Board approved the Memo of Understanding for new Custodial and Maintenance Assistant per Appendix VI-F.

G. Reviewed FOIA Requests
The Board reviewed the current FOIA requests per Enclosure VI-G.

VII. RECEIVED CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 21 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Monday, August 21	First Day of Classes Regular Board Meeting
Monday, September 4	Labor Day, No School
Wednesday, September 6	Building and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting 7 PM
Saturday, September 9	Hall of Fame Brunch 11 AM Cafeteria Parent's Club Bingo 6 PM
Monday, September 18	Regular Meeting, 7 PM Homecoming Week
Monday, September 18	Homecoming Pep Assembly Stadium 10:35 AM
Wednesday, September 20	Homecoming Trivia Night Collab Center 5:15 PM
Friday, September 22	Homecoming Carnival 3:30-5:30 Old Gym Homecoming Parade 6 PM Track Homecoming Football Game 7 PM Football Field
Saturday, September 23	Homecoming Dance

**VIII. TOOK FORMAL ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS
CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 21, 2023**

Motion by Member Straughn, second motion by Member O'Leary, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Action</u>
II-A-1	3	Appendix II-A-1	Approved minutes of Regular Board of Education meeting on June 26, 2023;
II-A-2	3	Appendix II-A-2	Approved Executive Session of Board of Education meeting of June 26, 2023;
II-A-3	3	Appendix II-A-3	Approved Community Relations Subcommittee meeting of August 3, 2023;

II-A-4	3	Appendix II-A-4	Approved Policy Subcommittee Meeting of August 7, 2023;
II-B-1	3	Appendix II-B-1	Approved Accounts Payable for July 14, 2023 and August 15, 2023;
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 June 15 & 30 and July 14 & 31, 2023;
II-B-4	3	Narration for II-B-4	Authorized signing of Payroll Vouchers for September 15 and 29, 2023;
III-B	4	Appendix III-B	Approved 2023-24 Activity Handbook;
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 Annual Financial Report from Ridgewood Foundation;
V-D	6	Appendix V-D	Approved Building & Grounds Subcommittee Meeting on September 6, 2023;
VI-B	7	Appendix VI-B	Approved First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 3:20, Organizational Chart;
VI-C	7	Appendix VI-C	Approved Superintendent's Goals for the 2023-24 School Year;
VI-D	7	Appendix VI-D	Approved First Reading of Board Policies 4:45, 4:100, 5:230, 6:10, 7:275, 7:305, 7:330 and policies 2:80, 2:170, 6:190, 6:240, 8:25, 8:95 with no changes;
VI-E	7	Appendix VI-E	Retroactively Approved Date and Agenda for Policy Subcommittee Meeting of August 7, 2023;
VI-F	7	Appendix VI-F	Approved Memo of Understanding for new Custodial and Maintenance Position;

Approved as presented by Roll Call Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Nealon	X			
DiPiero	X			
O'Leary	X			
Malicki	X			
Tanny	X			
Board President declared the Motion:			Carried X	Defeated

IX. RECOGNIZED VISITORS AND INVITE COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Rocky Sadeeh and his son Zen Sadeeh read their statement and spoke to the board about residency requirements.

X. CONDUCTED BOARD FORUM

There was discussion regarding the recent staff survey. The Board advised the administrators to provide options to the following:
 There was an extensive discussion regarding the rebel mascot on social media posts. There was discussion regarding the current dress code and the wearing of hoods, cell phones and ear buds and the safety and distraction they bring to the classroom. There was also discussion regarding cell phone use in the classrooms. Once the Board was made aware of the fact that this policy is at the teacher's discretion they were satisfied with the current process.
 There was discussion regarding who is currently running the concession stands during football games.

XII. ADJOURNED

Motion by Member Straughn, second motion by Member Malicki, to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Voice Vote:	Aye: X	Nay:	Present:	Absent:
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The President declared the Motion:

Carried X	Defeated
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Respectfully submitted,



Cindi Stazzone, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Paul Draniczarek, President



Jamie Nealon, Secretary