

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RIDGEWOOD COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 234  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022**

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 15, 2022. 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 Gina Castellano; Recording Secretary Cindi Stazzone and those on the attached list.

**AGENDA REQUESTS**

Motion was made by Member Richardson and seconded by Member O'Leary, to approve the Consent Agenda and the Regular Agenda for the August 15, 2022, 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**

Jason Salamy, the new System Administrator and Gaby Wala the new Math teacher 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 27, 2022 per Appendix II-A-1
- (2) Executive Session of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of June 27, 2022 per Appendix II-A-2

**\*B. Approved Current Bills, Payrolls & Financial Documents**

- (1) Ratified Accounts Payable of July 15, 2022 and Accounts Payable of August 15, 2022 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 15 & 29, 2022 per Appendix II-B-3.
- (4) Authorized Signing of Payroll Vouchers for September 15 & 30, 2022.

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

**A. Principal's Report**

1. Summer School Update
2. Review AP Scores
3. Beginning of Year Update

**\*B. Approved Activity Handbook for 2022-23 School Year**

The Board approved the Activity Handbook for the 2022-23 school year, per Appendix III-B.

**\*C. Approved Boys Basketball Out of Town Travel**

The Board approved the Boys Basketball Out of Town Travel per Appendix III-C.

**\*D. Approved Band Out of Town Travel**

The Board approved the Band Out of Town Travel per Appendix III-D.

**IV. MATTERS RELATING TO DISTRICT EMPLOYEES**

**A. Approved Amended Personnel Report**

The Board approved the following Amended Personnel Report:

**Support Staff**

Name	Position	Effective	Salary *
Bishop, Danielle	One to One Aide	8/15/22	Class 3, Step 3 \$26.01 per hour
Salamy, Jason	System Administrator	8/15/22	Class 4, Step 1 \$25.84 per hour

**Certified Staff**

Name	Position	Effective	Salary *
England, Krystal	Division Head of STEAM	8/15/22	Stipend \$7,739.67
Patino, Karen	Special Education Teacher Multi Needs	8/17/22	Masters, Step 4 \$67,706.00
Wala, Gabriela	Math Teacher	8/15/22	Bachelors, Step 3 \$58,636.00

**Horizontal Movement for**

Name	Position	Salary *
Molnar, Margaret	Division Head of Teaching and Learning	Lane Change From Bachelors Step 8 to Masters Step 8 = \$79,358
Patano, Amanda	English Teacher	Lane Change From Bachelors Step 11 to Masters, Step 12 = \$91, 105

**New Hires for Co-Curricular Staff Appointments**

Name	Position	Salary *
Maione, Gina	Class of 2026 Advisor	Lane 8, Step 3 \$2,408.16
Nolan, Amanda	Varsity R Advisor	Lane 7, Step 7 \$3,986.95

<b>Resignation</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Campbell, Matthew	1 to 1 Aide	07/10/22
Ildefonso, Jonathan	Assistant Baseball Coach	07/11/22
Jurasz, Ken	Head Softball Coach	07/11/22
Leynes, Kathleen	Social Worker	07/19/22

**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 FY22 Financial Report from Ridgewood Foundation as presented, per Appendix V-C.
- \*D. Approved Buildings and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2022**  
 The Board approved the date and agenda for a Building and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of September 8, 2022, per Appendix V-D.
- \*E. Approved District Depositories**  
 The Board approved the District Depositories per Appendix V-E.

**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 10, 2022
    - COVID-19 Update
    - September 12 Ceremony
  2. Approved Proposed Agenda on September 19, 2022 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 as presented in Appendix VI-B.

- \*C. **Approved Superintendent’s Goals for 2022-2023 School Year**  
 The Board approved the Superintendent’s goals for the 2022-2023 school year as presented in Appendix VI-C.
- \*D. **Approved District Return to Learn Plan**  
 The Board approved the District Return to Learn Plan per Appendix VI-D.
- \*E. **Approved Remote Learning Plan**  
 The Board approved the Remote Learning Plan per Appendix VI-E.
- \*F. **Approved Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policies**  
 The Board approved the Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policies: 2:230, 3:70, 4:10, 4:70, 4:180, 5:40, 5:70, 5:80, 5:110, 5:140, 5:240, 6:70, 6:80, 6:140, 6:290, 6:330, 7:15, 7:270, 7:285 per Appendix VI-F.
- \*G. **Approved Revisions to 2022-23 Faculty Handbook**  
 The Board approved the Revisions to the 2022-23 Faculty Handbook per Appendix VI-G.
- H. **Reviewed Subcommittee Dates and Assignments for the 2022-23 School Year**  
 The Board reviewed Subcommittee Dates and Assignments for the 2022-23 School Year per Enclosure VI-H.
- o I. **Approved Memo of Understanding for COVID-19 related absences**  
 The Board approved the Memo of Understand for COVID-19 related Absences per Appendix VI-I.

Member Tanny and seconded by Member Richardson to approve Memo of Understanding for COVID-19 related absences per Appendix VI-I.

**Approved as presented by Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Richardson	X			
DiPiero	X			
Malicki	X			
O’Leary	X			
Tanny	X			
Board President declared the Motion:			<b>Carried X</b>	<b>Defeated</b>

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

VII. **RECEIVED CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 15 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2022**

<b>Tuesday, August 16</b>	<b>Freshman Orientation New Teacher Induction 8 AM</b>
<b>Wednesday, August 17</b>	<b>Teacher Institute Day</b>
<b>Thursday, August 18</b>	<b>Teacher Work Day</b>
<b>Friday, August 19</b>	<b>Teacher Work Day</b>
<b>Monday, August 22</b>	<b>First Day of Classes</b>
<b>Monday, September 5</b>	<b>Labor Day, No School</b>
<b>Thursday, September 8</b>	<b>Building and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting 7 PM</b>
<b>Monday, September 12</b>	<b>9/11 Ceremony</b>
<b>Monday, September 19</b>	<b>Regular Meeting, 7 PM</b>

VIII. **TOOK FORMAL ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING  
 OF AUGUST 15, 2022**

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 27, 2022;
II-A-2	3	Appendix II-A-2	Approved Executive Session of Board of Education meeting of June 27, 2022;
II-B-1	3	Appendix II-B-1	Approved Accounts Payable for July 15, 2022 and August 15, 2022;
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 15 & 29, 2022;
II-B-4	3	Narration for II-B-4	Authorized signing of Payroll Vouchers for September 15 and 30, 2022;
III-B	4	Appendix III-B	Approved 2022-23 Activity Handbook;
III-C	4	Appendix III-C	Approved Boys Basketball Out of Town Travel;
III-D	4	Appendix III-D	Approved Band Out of Town Travel;
IV-A	5	Appendix IV-A	Approved the Amended 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 8, 2022;
V-E	6	Appendix V-E	Approved District Depositories;
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 2022-23 School Year;
VI-D	7	Appendix VI-D	Approved Return to Learn Plan;
VI-E	7	Appendix VI-E	Approved Remote Learning Plan;
VI-F	8	Appendix VI-F	Approved Second Reading and Adoption of Board policies: 2:230, 3:70, 4:10, 4:70, 4:180, 5:40, 5:70, 5:80, 5:110, 5:140, 5:240, 6:70, 6:80, 6:140, 6:290, 6:330, 7:15, 7:270, 7:285;
VI-G	8	Appendix VI-G	Approved Revisions to 2022-23 Faculty Handbook

**Approved as presented by Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Richardson	X			
DiPiero	X			
O'Leary	X			
Malicki	X			
Tanny	X			
Board President declared the Motion:			<b>Carried X</b>	<b>Defeated</b>

**IX. RECOGNIZED VISITORS AND INVITE COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC**

There were no visitors at this time.

**X. CONDUCTED BOARD FORUM**

There was discussion regarding the recent Ukranian refugee students registering at Ridgewood.

The Community Relations Meetings are changing to 2 meetings a year.

National Night Out was very well attended and very nice.

Students attended the recent coding/Minecraft camp and it was very good.

The All Sports camp was also very good.

There was discussion regarding sending out surverys. The board will have further discussion into what they are looking for.

There are three board positions up for election this year. The timelines have not been sent out yet from the Board of Elections.

The Junior Rebel Cheerleaders recently held a car wash and were happy to be able to hold it at Ridgewood.

Sports are starting this Friday and it is nice to see lots of activity going on at the school.

**XI. ADJOURNED**

Motion by Member O'Leary, second motion by Member Tanny, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 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 Richardson, Secretary