

BOARD OF EDUCATION
RIVER GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT 85.5
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

December 15, 2009

Regular Meeting Minutes of the River Grove School District 85.5 Board of Education held on December 15, 2009 at River Grove School, 2650 Thatcher Avenue, River Grove, Illinois.

Roll Call Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. Upon Roll Call, members answered as follows:

Michele Obaya	present	James Binder	present
Linda Hankins	present	Kurt Kuras	present
Ken Murphy	present	Lucia Rudy	present
Marlene Flahaven	present		

Oath of Office The Oath of Office was administered to Tiffany Skelnik.

Public Hearing Dr. Bartelt asked for public comment of the Tax Levy. A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Binder to close the Public Hearing.

Youth Government Mrs. Flahaven commended the winners of the Youth Government Elections.

Consent Agenda A motion was made by Mr. Binder and seconded by Mrs. Obaya to approve the Consent Agenda. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Imprest A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Hankins to reimburse the Imprest Fund as presented. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Bill List

A motion was made by Mr. Binder and seconded by Mr. Kuras to pay the bill list. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Payroll

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Hankins to approve the payroll.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Visitors

Paul Claussen-RBN & Associates, Liza Strauss-Parent, Anna Vogt-Parent, Renee Wilson-Teacher, Kathie Bruce-Parent, Nancy Glon-Teacher, Karen Maize-Teacher, Julie Diedenhofen-Teacher, Dea Lanzito-Teacher, Donna Skelnik-Parent, Mr. Skelnik-Parent.

Communications

Mrs. Flahaven noted an upcoming seminar.

Superintendents' Report

Dr. Bartelt presented the Superintendent's report

1. Race to the Top
2. Student Council Letter of Recognition
3. Note from Ms. Godziszewski
4. Staff Donation to Rosa Mercado
5. Technology Recycling
6. Student Art on Display

Principal's Report

Mr. Grieshaber presented the Principals' Report

1. Honor Roll report
2. 8th Grade Springfield Trip
3. Explore Test Results
4. Leyden High School Academically Talented Day
5. H1N1 Immunizations
6. NAEP Testing February 23

Program Review

Mrs. Diedenhofen and Mrs. Lanzito reported on the PBIS Green Team.

The Patriot’s Pen Award Winner, Klaudia Kuza was recognized but was not able to be present.

Teacher Conference Reports are included in packets for your review.

Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Vogt talked about their fundraising efforts for RGMO.

PTA Financial statements were reviewed.

Mrs. Flahaven noted the following items:

- 1. SSNS
- 2. Alliance
- 3. PMA
- 4. Newspaper Article

Action

A motion was made by Mr. Binder and seconded by Mrs. Hankins to approve the levy for Tax Year 2009 (payable in 2010). All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Obaya and seconded by Mr. Binder to approve the maintenance of confidential treatment of closed session minutes. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Hankins to approve the employment of Mrs. Joan Johnson as a long term substitute teacher. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mrs. Hankins to approve the employment of Renee Roulo and Anthony Tenca as winter break custodial help. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Binder to approve the use of facilities by the River Grove Rebels.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Binder to rescind the motion to approve the use of facilities by the River Grove Rebels for further information. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Discussion

Mr. Paul Claussen of RBN & Associates explained the liability and worker's compensation insurance renewal.

Members of the Board of Education and Dr. Bartelt shared information regarding the workshops attended during the Joint Annual Conference in Chicago.

The Building and Grounds Committee commented on the meeting of November 30, 2009.

The Policy Committee will look at Dec. 29-31 to set up a meeting.

A discussion was held on the compliance audit results.

The EXPLORE test results were discussed.

Good of Corporation

Kathie Bruce spoke about River Grove Baseball

Closed Session

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy and seconded by Mr. Binder to go into Closed Session at 9:34 p.m. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Obaya and seconded by Mrs. Hankins to come out of closed session at 9:59 pm. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Kuras and seconded by Mr. Murphy to adjourn at 10:00 pm. All members present voted aye.

Michele Obaya	aye	James Binder	aye
Linda Hankins	aye	Kurt Kuras	aye
Ken Murphy	aye	Lucia Rudy	aye
Marlene Flahaven	aye		

Mrs. Flahaven declared the motion carried.

Marlene Flahaven, President

Lucia Rudy, Secretary