

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
June 9, 2008

The June 9, 2008 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 7:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Pat Neff, and Gary Stanek. Paul Kinney was absent.

Motion by Neff and second by Bailey to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to move into closed session pursuant to Wis. Statue 19.85(1)(f) and 120.13(1)(c) for the purpose of holding an expulsion hearing: A. expulsion hearing and deliberation Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Moved to closed session.

Returned to open session at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of May 12th, the executive session of May 12<sup>th</sup>, the Policy meeting of May 14th, the RCAP negotiations meeting of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and the finance committee meeting of June 5, 2008. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 7-0-1 Karen Ewing abstained.

Motion by Stanek and second by Rowland to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0.

Jamie Ottman and Chris Simonson each spoke to the board on agenda item A, which had the resignation of halftime music teacher Laura Schram. They spoke of the importance of the time needed for individual band lessons and asked the board to replace this position so it would not hurt the present quality of the band program.

Motion by Adams and second by Ewing to approve the following resignations; Laura Schram, halftime elementary music teacher; Erin Blakely, middle school volleyball coach; and Ralph Yonash, summer school bus driver. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Dax to approve the SWEEP contract for the 2008-09 school year. SWEEP is an organization where several schools in the southwest corner of the state share equipment. The annual cost is \$200.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Stanek to approve the following contracts; Vicky Bomkamp, library club advisor; Nikole Smith, 9<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball coach; Adam Lins, middle school boys basketball coach; Greg Anderson, head wrestling coach; Jim Chitwood, assistant

wrestling coach; Tony Chitwood, middle school wrestling coach; Monica Wiedenfeld, student council advisor; and Paula Bruckner, 9<sup>th</sup> grade class advisor. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to set the annual meeting date for Monday, August 25, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion by Ewing and second by Neff to set a finance meeting on Friday, June 27, 2008 at 8:00 a.m. to close the budget for the fiscal year. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to approve the calendar changes for the 2008-09 school year. Two additional early release days have been added in order to follow the teachers union contract. Motion carried.

Motion by Neff and Stanek to approve a freshman transition day for the first day of school of the 2008-09 school year. Motion carried. This day only the freshman would report to school in the high school. The sophomores, juniors, and seniors would not report the first day. All other grades would have school as normal. This day would have many activities to orientate freshman to the high school.

The board discussed the remaining policy sections that are being revised. The final draft of the policies will be brought to the board in July or August.

Motion by Neff and second by Bailey to submit Wanda Owen as the board's choice for the interim appointment to the WASB Board of Directors for region 9. Motion carried.

Motion by Neff and second by Adams to adjourn into closed session under Wis. Statute 19.85 (1) f; considering specific personnel and Wis. Statute 19.85 (1) c; considering performance evaluation data of any public employee A. Potential conflict of the supervision of staff B. Staff performance Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Moved to closed session at 8:32 p.m.  
Returned to open session at 9:35 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Rowland to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk



RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
May 12, 2008

The May 12, 2008 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Pat Neff, Gary Stanek and Paul Kinney.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

The board held the election of board officers for the year.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to nominate Clay Dean for Board President.

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Clay Dean. Motion carried. Clay Dean was elected Board President.

Motion by Kinney and second by Rowland to nominate David Adams as Board Vice-President.

Motion by Neff and second by Stanek to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for David Adams. Motion carried. David Adams was elected Board Vice-President

Motion by Dax and second by Neff to nominate Mike Bailey as Board Clerk.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Mike Bailey. Motion carried. Mike Bailey was elected Board Clerk.

Motion by Neff and second by Bailey to nominate Gary Stanek as Board Treasurer.

Motion by Bailey and second by Dax to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for Gary Stanek. Motion carried. Gary Stanek was elected Board Treasurer.

Motion by Stanek and second by Adams to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of April 14<sup>th</sup>, the executive session of April 14<sup>th</sup>, the RCAP and REA negotiations committee meeting of April 21<sup>st</sup>, the RCAP negotiations committee meeting of April 29<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup>, the policy committee meeting of April 30<sup>th</sup> and the finance committee meeting of May 8<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Neff and second by Kinney to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0.

Motion by Bailey and second by Stanek to approve a lay-off notice for Terry Krause as a bus driver, for the 2008-09 school year. A bus route will be cut for the 2008-09 school year and the district will need one less bus driver. Motion carried.

Motion by Kinney and second by Adams to approve summer bus driver contracts for

Bob Maly and Ralph Yonash for the summer of 2008. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Rowland to approve the 2008-09 notification of employment sheets for the full time and school year term RCAP employees. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Bailey to approve the bus driver contracts for the 2008-09 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to approve the renewal of the lunch account software with CESA #5 for the 2008-09 school year. The cost is a \$115.00 increase over last year. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to approve the student accident insurance with First Agency, Inc. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to approve the 2008 summer school program. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to approve the list of summer maintenance projects including; repairing exterior beams on the high school, seal coating some parking lots, removing tile, replacing carpet and fixing up the high school restrooms. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

The first draft of policy sections 2000 and 5000 were brought before the board for the first reading. The board made no suggestions for changes. These will be brought back to the board for final approve at a future date.

Motion by Bailey and second by Neff to move to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) c; considering compensation and employment matters of any public employee....  
A. Grievance determination; Motion carried. Roll call vote 9-0

Moved to closed session at 9:07 p.m.

Returned to open session at 9:50 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk



RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
April 14, 2008

The April 14, 2008 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Pat Neff, Gary Stanek and Paul Kinney.

Motion by Kinney and second by Dax to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Bailey to approve the Consent Agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of March 10<sup>th</sup>, the RCAP and REA negotiations committee meeting of April 8<sup>th</sup>, and the finance committee meeting of April 10<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Neff and second by Rowland to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0.

Mr. Willey, high school principal, reported on the prom and post prom party. Both were a great success. Approximately 100 students attended the post prom party along with 21 chaperones. This was held at the Phoenix Center in Richland Center. There were many activities and prizes.

A group of fifth graders presented an example of the program they have been working on for the past several months. The group lead by their advisor, Cindy Bremmer, has been doing a presentation of "Are You Smarter than a Fifth Grader?" They have traveled to several area schools, along with presentations to our students to performed their question and answer program. This program was funded though a mini-grant received by the district.

Kirk Pulvermacher, from WPPI, presented an outline of a solar panel project for the district. The total amount of the project is \$61,500. The majority of the funding will be coming from WPPI and various grants. The village has approved participating in the project with their cost about \$5000. The cost to the district will be between \$3100 and \$5000. The power savings to the district should have payback in less than four years.

Motion by Dax and second by Bailey to accept the resignations of Kevin Campbell as middle school boys' basketball coach, Dawn Merth-Johnson as an assistant track coach, Jessi Novak as an assistant track coach and assistant girls' basketball coach and Jen Mau as head track coach and assistant volleyball coach. These are all starting in with the 2008-09 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Dean and second by Adams to assign Doug Landsee as the head cross country coach for the 2008 season. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to approve a contract for Nikole Smith as a K-8 guidance counselor for the 2008-09 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Neff to approve a contract for Valerie Bailey to be the 2008 census taker for the district. Motion carried. In the past we have had two census takers. Valerie was the only person to apply and agreed to do the entire district.

Motion by Kinney and second by Adams to approve the solar panel project as presented by Kirk Pulvermacher from WPPI. Motion carried. Roll call vote. The estimated cost for the district will be between \$3100 and \$5000.

Motion by Adams and Stanek to approve the 2008-09 contract with CESA #3. Motion carried. Roll call vote. The cost of the contracted services will be \$3,361 higher than last year, part of this is because several services have been added.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to appoint Mike Bailey as the district representative to the CESA #3 conference. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Neff to move to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) c and Wis. Stats 19.85 (1) e. A. Administrative and nonunion contracts B. Discussion on grievance and C. Discussion on negotiations. Motion carried. Roll call vote 9-0

Moved to closed session at 8:50 p.m.

Returned to open session at 10:10 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second Adams to approve the administrative and nonunion contracts for 2008-09 as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-1 with Ewing voting no.

Motion by Ewing and second by Rowland to approve a fifteen cent an hour retro active pay raise for the RCAP for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried. Roll call vote. The stipulation that if insurance rates were less than a 5% increase in the 2007-08 contract year the master contract would be reopen to adjust the salary.

Motion by Bailey and second by Stanek to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
March 10, 2008

The March 10, 2008 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Pat Neff, Gary Stanek and Paul Kinney.

Motion by Bailey and second by Neff to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of February 11<sup>th</sup>, the RCAP and REA negotiations committee meeting of February 12<sup>th</sup>, the policy committee meeting of February 20<sup>th</sup> and the finance committee meeting of March 6<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Stanek and second by Rowland to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Mr. Bird gave a report on the budget outlook for the end of this year and for the next two years. He told the board we should be close to balancing this year. In 2008-09 it is projected to be about a 300,000 deficit and that could double in the following year.

Carol Rogers, from Southwest Wisconsin Technical College, gave a presentation on the purposed referendum for SWTC. This referendum would add to the courses provided and expanded on some of the current ones.

Chris Simonson, Instrumental Music Director, gave a report on the music program. He spoke about the number of students in the lower grades and the future of the program. He also updated the board about the upcoming music department trip to Florida.

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to accept the resignation of Cindy Markin as a cook for the district effective March 13, 2008. Motion carried.

Motion by Kinney and second by Rowland to approve contracts for Terry Krause as a bus driver effective March 11, 2008; Paul Logan, as a math/business ed teacher for the 2008-09 school year and Dale Spies as a middle school track coach for the 2008 season. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Stanek to approve the request for open enrollment for the 2008-09 school year with the exception of a request from a four year old kindergartener from the Boscobel District. Boscobel does not have a four year old kindergarten program, so the board cannot approve the request. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to approve the following classes for the 2008 youth options fall semester. Intro. to Sociology; Intro. to Philosophy; Intro to Women's Studies; Updates in Human Physiology & Microbiology; Intro. to Theatre; Theatre Laboratory; First Semester French; First Semester German; Contemporary American Society; Race, Ethnicity & Diversity; Intro to Stats; Foundations of Early Childhood; Health, Safety & Nutrition; Infant & Toddler Development, Early Childhood Practicum; and Early Childhood Math, Science & Social. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Dax to approve the renewal notices for teachers as listed and for the extra curricular assignments as listed. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Rowland to approve the 66:0301 staff sharing agreement with the Richland School District. This is for services of a Library Media Specialist for one day a week in the Riverdale District. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to approve a contract with Southwestern Wisconsin Head Start for the rent of a room in the elementary/middle school for the 2008-09 school year with a 4% increase over last year. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Kinney to approve a contract with CESA #5 for the 2008-09 school year. This contract is for hearing impaired services and for our food service software. The cost is \$12,013.00 which is an increase of \$500.00 over last year. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Stanek to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
February 11, 2008

The February 11, 2008 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, and Pat Neff. Gary Stanek and Paul Kinney were absent.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to approve the consent agenda: minutes of the regular board meeting of January 14<sup>th</sup>, the executive session of January 14<sup>th</sup>, the RCAP negotiations committee meeting of January 16<sup>th</sup>, the policy committee meeting of February 4<sup>th</sup> and the finance committee meeting of February 7<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 7-0

Motion by Neff and second by Dax to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 7-0

Mr. Willey asked for a volunteer from the board to be on the scholarship committee. Karen Ewing volunteered to be on the committee.

Doug Landsee, Guidance Counselor, gave a report on what was happening in the guidance department this year.

A public hearing was held regarding a waiver request for the SAGE program. Mr. Bird, District Administrator, discussed the need for the waiver. This waiver is to exceed the 15:1 student/teacher ratio required in the K-3 classrooms. He explained that the Riverdale District has SAGE classes below the 15:1 ratio in the morning when reading, math and language arts are being taught. In the afternoon classrooms have a few students over the 15:1 ratio, but this is also when students are being pulled out for special education, Title I and other extra services. These pullouts leave many of the classrooms under the 15:1 ratio. Mr. Bird asked if there were any questions on the SAGE program or if anyone had concerns on how the district was running the program. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to accept the resignations of Becky Kleist as a bus driver effect February 8, 2008 and for Tim McKenney as cross country coach and middle school girls' basketball coach for the 2008-09 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to approve the following volunteer coaches for he spring sports season: Softball, Ercill Faga; Track, Kami Sweet, Ron Lopnow and Jake Hillberry; Baseball, Dave McHenry. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Bailey to designate the following public depositories for the district for the next year: Clare Bank, Muscoda; Peoples State Bank, Boscobel; Community First Bank, Muscoda; Richland County Bank, Richland Center; Westby Co-op Credit Union, Westby; Royal Bank, Avoca; and the Wis. State Financial Pool. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 7-0

Motion by Neff and second by Ewing to approve the DPI manual for special education policies and procedures. Motion carried

The board reviewed the first draft of policies including the bylaws, administration and finance sections. These policies were recommended by the policy committee. The policy committee is reviewing all policies with the NEOLA Company and customizing them to fit our district. Several questions were answered and the board approved the first reading of these policies.

Motion by Adams and second by Neff to approve submitting a waiver request to the Department of Public Instruction for the SAGE program. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
January 14, 2008

The January 14, 2008 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Paul Kinney, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek. Jim Rowland arrived at 8:08 p.m.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Kinney and second by Dax to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of December 10<sup>th</sup>, the executive session of December 10<sup>th</sup>, the policy committee meeting of January 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, and the finance committee meeting of January 10<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Motion by Stanek and second by Bailey to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Jerry Redman, from CESA # 3, gave the board a report on the 2006-07 WKCE test data. He pointed out the areas where the district rated high and the areas where improvement was needed.

Paulette DiVall, school nurse, gave a report on the many different areas in which students were screened throughout the year.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to approve contracts for Kevin Campbell and Adam Lins as boys' middle school basketball coaches for the 2008 season and for Pamela Schiedt as a part-time certified aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Neff to hold the 2009 graduation on Memorial Day weekend. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 5-4 voting yes-Bailey, Dax, Kinney, Neff and Stanek voting no-Adams, Ewing, Rowland and Dean. There was concern that after the seniors graduate the learning at the high school might be reduced. The administration is looking into several options to make sure the remaining students are still receiving quality educational instruction.

Motion by Adams and second by Bailey to approve the second reading of policy #250 (regular and special board meetings). Motion carried. This change will change the starting time of the regular board meetings from 8:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and also allow the District Administrator, after consulting with the Board President, to cancel a regular or special meeting.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to direct the board delegate to vote on the

resolutions in the best interest of the Riverdale School District. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to approve the retirement request of Gary Ingersoll and Dixie Delkamp effect at the end of the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to move to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) c; considering employment, promotion, and compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee... A. Administrative evaluations  
B. Administrative staffing  
Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Moved to closed session at 9:55 p.m.

Returned to open session at 11:28 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
December 10, 2007

The December 10, 2007 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Paul Kinney, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek.

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Kinney to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of November 12<sup>th</sup>, the executive session of November 12<sup>th</sup>, the policy committee meeting of November 13<sup>th</sup>, the RCAP negotiations committee meeting of November 27<sup>th</sup>, the buildings and grounds committee meeting of December 5<sup>th</sup>, and the finance committee meeting of December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Neff and second by Ewing to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Josh Tarrell, Ag Teacher and FFA advisor, along with several FFA members, gave a report on the FFA convention and other activities the club was involved in.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to accept the resignation of Anna Justin as an Interpreter effective December 7, 2007. Motion carried.

Motion by Neff and second by Bailey to hire Mindy Kratochwill as student council advisor effective immediately and Andrea Gilkenson as an interpreter starting January 2, 2008. Motion carried.

The first reading of policy #250 and policy #252 was discussed. These two policies would be combined. Changes proposed are, changing the regular board meeting starting time from 8:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The policy would also add allowing the District Administrator, after consulting with the Board President, the authority to cancel a regular or special board meeting. This will be brought back next month to be voted on.

Mr. Willey, Athletic Director, told the board the participation numbers in the cross country program has dropped dramatically. Motion by Adams and second by Dax to have the program another year (2008) and then if there is not at least 7 students participating the following year (2009) the program would be dropped. Motion carried.

Motion by Kinney and Stanek to move to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) c; considering employment, promotion, and compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee... A. Administrators evaluation Motion carried. Roll call vote 9-0

Moved to closed session at 9:25 p.m.

Returned to open session at 10:30 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
November 12, 2007

The November 13, 2007 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Paul Kinney, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek.

Motion by Stanek and second by Neff to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Kinney and second by Bailey to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of October 8th, the executive session of October 8th, the policy meeting of October 10<sup>th</sup>, the special board meetings of October 22<sup>nd</sup> and November 1st and the finance committee meeting of November 8, 2007. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Kurt Pulvermacher, a representative from WPPI, gave a presentation on the energy usage of the Riverdale School buildings. He explained several programs that the district can use to save energy and by doing this receive Grants for implementing these programs.

Shelley Miess and Lisa Farness presented information that they learned from a conference this past summer on the reading Lexiles system. This is where reading material is rated by the difficulty of the material.

Motion by Bailey and second by Rowland to approve Vicky Bomkamp as library club advisor for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Stanek to appoint Paul Kinney the district's delegate and Mike Bailey as the district's alternate to the WASB convention to vote on the issues in the best interest of the school district. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Dax to move into closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) c; considering employment, promotion, and compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee... A. Grievance Determination B. Administrative/Board Goals Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Moved to closed session at 9:20 p.m.

Returned to open session at 10:35 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 8, 2007

The October 8, 2007 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 7:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek. Paul Kinney was absent.

Motion by Ewing and second by Bailey to approve the proof of publication of this meeting.  
Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Neff to move to closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. secs. 19.85(1)(f) and 120.13(1)(c) for the purpose of holding an expulsion hearing and/or pursuant to Wis. Stat. secs. 19.85(1)(a) and 19.85(l)(f) for the purpose of : A. expulsion hearing and deliberation  
Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Moved to closed session at 7:05 p.m.

Returned to open session at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to approve the consent agenda, minutes of the regular board meeting of September 10<sup>th</sup>, the executive session of September 10<sup>th</sup>, the curriculum meeting of September 19<sup>th</sup>, the buildings and grounds meeting of September 25<sup>th</sup> and the finance committee meeting of October 4, 2007. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Motion by Neff and second by Stanek to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-0

Dennis Baumann, Elementary Teacher, and Dawn Merth-Johnson, Speech and Language Teacher gave reports on conferences they attended during the summer. They reported that they learned many new things to try in the classroom and that they were very inspiring conferences. Money received through Grants enable several staff every summer to attend this type of conference.

Motion by Dax and second by Bailey to approve the fund raisers leaving school grounds as listed in the booklet. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Rowland to approve the overnight and out-of-state field trips for the next year as listed and add the music Florida trip to the list. Motion carried.

Motion by Rowland and second by Dax to approve the following youth options courses for the second semester of the 2007-08 school year; German, theatre libratory, historical geology, animal biology, survey of astronomy, disasters living on edge, environment ethics, survey renaissance, managerial accounting, intro to wildlife resources, survey of microbiology, applied journalism, alcohol & other drugs, technical drafting 1, proc. of manufacturing, college tech math, technical science, nursing assistant, math of finance, technical reporting, payroll applications, elementary Latin, human sexuality, and Italian. Motion carried. Roll call vote 6 yes, 1 no and 1 abstain. Several courses were not approved because they are similar to courses being offered at the high school.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to approve the early graduation request for the following

students, contingent on them completing the graduation requirements: Makeshia Strike, Tiffany Spitzbarth, Trina Barrett, George Reynolds and Kasi Rossdeuchter. Motion carried.

Motion by Neff and second by Adams to accept the bid for snow removal from Hackl Construction & Trucking for \$48.00 an hour with salting and sanding extra as needed. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Ewing to approve the following volunteer coaches for the winter sports season; for wrestling-Bob Miller, John Troxel, Chris Lull, Lucas Steldt, Dale Spies and Scott Glass, for Boys Basketball-Terry Ziebarth, for Girls Basketball-Suzette Buening and Bridget Anderson. Motion carried.

Motion by Ewing and second by Dax to approve the following contracts, Tim McKenney, Girls Middle School Basketball Coach; Tony Chitwood, Middle School Wrestling Coach; and the hiring of Kate Randall as a certified aide and Starlee Miller as a cook. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Stanek to set a special board meeting for Monday, October 22, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. to set the tax levy and finalize the budget. Motion carried.

Motion by Dean and second by Bailey to appoint Carol Kratochwill as deputy clerk for election purposes for the 2008 election. This gives her board permission to prepare and sign all election documents. Motion carried.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2007

The September 10, 2007 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Paul Kinney, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek.

Motion by Stanek and second by Rowland to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Ewing to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of August 13<sup>th</sup>, the annual meeting of August 27<sup>th</sup>, the REA negotiation meeting of August 27<sup>th</sup> and the finance meeting of September 6, 2007. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Bailey and second by Dax to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Mr. Bird, District Administrator, introduced the new teaching staff for the 2007-08 school year. They were: Laura Schram, Elementary General Music Teacher; Josh Tarrell, Ag Teacher; Kelly Schaefer, Middle School Language Arts Teacher; and Mary Jane Ederer, Library/Media Specialist. Mr. Bird also informed the board of all the new initiatives being done for the 2007-08 school year. Some of these included, Read 180, MAP assessment program, grade book online, Character Education and several more new programs.

Sharon Ennis and Shari Hougan, coordinators for summer school, gave a report on the 2007 summer school program. There were several additional offerings this year and it was well attended. They will have the final numbers by next month.

Motion by Kinney and second by Adams to approve contracts for Becky Kleist as a bus driver for the 2007-08 school year and Jim Chitwood as an assistant wrestling coach for the 2007-08 season. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Rowland to renew the property and casualty insurance for the district with EMC for the 2007-08 year, with an increase of \$1,418.00. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to accept the resignations of Terry Krause as a bus driver and Monica Wiedenfeld as a middle school girl's basketball coach. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Stanek to move to closed session under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) c; considering employment, promotion, and compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee... A. Personnel issues/staffing B. Review of REA Grievance Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Moved to closed session at 8:50 p.m.

Returned to open session at 10:00 p.m.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk  
RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 13, 2007

The August 13, 2007 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Paul Kinney, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek.

Motion by Kinney and second by Adams to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Neff to approve the consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of July 9th, and the finance meeting of August 9th. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Dax and second by Bailey to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

The graduation date that was discussed in July was brought back to the board. The number of days the seniors would miss at the end of the school year, if graduation was held on Memorial Day weekend, was a concern for several board members. John Willey, High School Principal informed the board that the DPI has no rule regarding senior's hours. They are only required to meet the local board's requirements. Several students and parents spoke to the board asking them to keep the Memorial Day weekend graduation date. Some have already reserved faculties for that date.

Motion by Adams and second by Rowland to set the graduation date for the Saturday before school is out. Motion failed. Roll call vote, 2-7 with Rowland and Adams voting yes and Dean, Bailey, Kinney, Neff, Ewing, Dax, and Stanek voting no.

After further discussion a motion was made by Ewing and second by Kinney to set the 2008 graduation day for May 24, 2008 (Memorial Day weekend) and at each January board meeting set the graduation date for the following year. Motion carried. Roll call vote, 7-2 with Dean, Bailey, Kinney, Neff, Ewing, Dax, and Stanek voting yes and Rowland and Adams voting no.

Motion by Dax and second by Neff to approve the hiring of Mary Poole and Patricia Udelhoven as dishwashers for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Bailey and second by Stanek to offer contracts to Laura Schram as a 50% time general music teacher and to Jennifer Mau as the 9<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball coach for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Kinney and second by Adams to accept the retirement of Vera McClaren as a cook

for the Riverdale School District. Motion carried. The board thanked Vera for her 29 years of services to the district.

Motion by Kinney and second by Neff to accept the following bids for the 2007-08 school year: The bid from Swiss Valley for milk; the bid from Sara Lee for bakery products and the bid from Muscoda Mini-Mart for gas and diesel. Motion carried.

Motion by Ewing and second by Stanek to approve the annual meeting agenda for the 2007 annual meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Dax and second by Rowland to approve the following volunteer coaches for the fall sports season; Terry Ziebarth for middle school football and Katie Bula for volleyball. Motion carried.

Motion by Adams and second by Kinney to approve the resignation of Barry Schultz as middle school boy's basketball coach. Motion carried.

Motion by Neff and second by Rowland to approve a contract with NEOLA, Inc. for board policy revisions. Motion carried. Roll call vote 9-0 NEOLA is a company that would update board policies to be compliant with state laws and twice a year update all policies with any new laws. The policies would also be available on the school's website.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 9, 2007

The July 9, 2007 meeting of the Riverdale School Board was called to order by President Clay Dean at 8:00 p.m. in the library of the Riverdale Elementary/Middle School, located in the Village of Muscoda.

Present from the Board were Clay Dean, Mike Bailey, David Adams, Susan Dax, Karen Ewing, Jim Rowland, Paul Kinney, Pat Neff and Gary Stanek.

Motion by Dax and second by Kinney to approve the proof of publication of this meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Bailey to approval of consent agenda: approval of district vouchers, minutes of the regular board meeting of June 11<sup>th</sup>, the executive session of June 11<sup>th</sup>, the finance meeting of June 27<sup>th</sup>, and the agriculture meeting of July 3, 2007. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Adams and second by Ewing to approve the activity accounts as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Mr. Bird informed the board of changes that were proposed in the state legislature. The assembly is scheduled to vote on the budget on Tuesday, July 10, 2007.

Sharon Ennis gave a report on the 2006-07 SAGE program. This covers grades kindergarten through third. She listed the goals and objectives and which areas excel and which areas will need additional work in the future.

Tim Redman, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, reported on the summer improvement programs that were done in the district.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to approve a contract for Jon Schmidt as a middle school football coach and to hire Pete Christenson as a custodian with a start date of July 23, 2007. Also, to approve Clay Dean and Ryan Pomerene as volunteer coaches for the 2007 football season. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding moving the graduation date to the end of the school year. Some board members felt that the seniors were missing too many days at the end of the year now that school started in September. Several students and parents spoke in favor of having graduation stay on Memorial Day weekend, stating that some parents have already rented places for graduation parties and it also gave family members from farther away more travel time having it on a 3 day weekend. Ms. Ennis reported that there are a certain amount of minutes required in a school year. The district exceeds these required minutes but the board decided to table the item until next month so it could be determined if the seniors were meeting the required minutes by graduating before school is complete.

Motion by Adams and second by Dax to approve changes to the athletic code. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 8-1 Pat Neff voting no.

The changes included attending athletic code meetings once in middle school and once in high school unless a code revision has been done or you violated the code during the previous year. The meetings were required every year previously. Another change is in the suspension area. A step will be added in the year suspension area. An athlete may request early re-instatement

with the following requirements: Reinstatement may not be before two-thirds of a calendar year suspension has been served and the athlete must attend counseling related to his/her violation. The athlete will also be required to perform community service set forth by the athletic counsel. The academic portion of the code was also changed. Athletics may become academically ineligible at the 6 & 9 weeks grading periods.

Motion by Kinney and second by Rowland to approve student and staff handbooks for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Stanek and second by Adams to allow band and choir concerts be held on Sunday afternoons. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 6-3 with Dax, Ewing and Kinney voting no. Chris Simonson spoke to the board about the difficulty in finding available dates for the concerts. He said that Mr. Putz choir director prefers Sundays and that they work well for the concerts.

Motion Adams and second by Bailey to approve the fund transfers in the 2006-07 budget as presented. Motion carried. Roll call vote. 9-0

Motion by Dax and second by Adams to approve a 66:0301 contract with the Richland School District to share a Library/Media Specialist for the 2007-08 school year. Motion carried. The Library/Media Specialist will be in the Riverdale District one day per week at a cost of about \$12,700.00 per school year.

Motion by Bailey and second by Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

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Mike Bailey, Board of Education Clerk