

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RIDGEWOOD COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 234  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 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, October 16, 2023. President Draniczarek called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**QUORUM DECLARED PRESENT**

Secretary Nealon declared a quorum of the Board of Education of District 234 was present at 7:01 PM.

Present: Members Paul Draniczarek, Mike Straughn, Jamie Nealon, 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 O'Leary and seconded by Member Nealon, to approve the Consent Agenda and the Regular Agenda for the October 16, 2023, meeting of the Ridgewood High School District 234 Board of Education as amended.

On voice vote, President Draniczarek declared the motion carried.

**II. USUAL RECURRING AGENDA ITEMS**

**\*A. Approved Minutes of:**

- (1) Regular Board of Education Meeting on September 18, 2023 as Appendix II-A-1
- (2) Education Committee of the Whole Subcommittee Meeting of September 26, 2023 per Appendix II-A-2.
- (3) Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of October 10, 2023 per Appendix II-A-3.
- (4) Building & Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of October 11, 2023 per Appendix II-A-4.

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

- (1) Approved Accounts Payable of October 16, 2023 per Appendix II-B-1
- (2) Approved Revolving (Imprest) Fund Expenditures and Reimbursements per Appendix II-B-2
- (3) Ratified Payrolls of September 15 & 29, 2023 per Appendix II-B-3
- (4) Authorized Signing of Payroll Vouchers for November 15 & 30, 2023

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

A. **Principal's Report**

1. Recognized Girls Golf Conference Champion and MVP
2. 2023 ISBE College Career Pathway Report per Enclosure III-A-2.

B. **Approved Request for Out-of-State Travel for Baseball**

The Board approved the request for Out-Of-State Travel for Baseball per Appendix III-B.

C. **Approved Request for Out-of-State Travel for Track and Field**

The Board approved the request for Out-of-State Travel for Track and Field per Appendix III-C.

D. **Approved Requests for Outside Fundraising**

The Board approved the requests for Outside Fundraising per Appendix III-D.

**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. Approved Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for 2023 and Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law**  
The Board approved the Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for 2023 and Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation law per Appendix V-C.
- \*D. Authorized Application for School Library Grants Available to Illinois School Districts and Approved Matching District Funds**  
The Board approved the Application for School Library Grants Available to Illinois School Districts and Approved Matching District Funds per Appendix V-D.
- \*E. Accepted Bid List**  
The Board accepted Bid List per Appendix V-E.
- F. Retroactively Approved Date and Agenda for Building and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of October 11, 2023**  
The Board retroactively approved date and agenda for Building and Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of October 11, 2023 per Appendix V-F.
- G. Approved School Maintenance Project Grant Application**  
The Board approved the School Maintenance Project Grant Application per Appendix V-G.

**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
  - Joint Annual Conference
  - Survey Follow Up
  - AI Presentation
  - Principal Appreciation
2. Proposed Agenda for November 13, 2023 Board of Education Meeting per Enclosure VI-A-2.

**\*B. Approved Date and Agenda for Co-Curricular Subcommittee Meeting of November 8, 2023**

The Board approved the date and agenda for a Co-Curricular Subcommittee Meeting of November 8, 2023 per Appendix VI-B.

**VII. RECEIVED CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 16 THROUGH NOVEMBER 13, 2023**

<b>Thursday, October 19</b>	<b>Parent-Teacher Conferences No School</b>
<b>Wednesday, November 1</b>	<b>Fall Sports Award Ceremony 6 PM Cafeteria</b>
<b>Friday, November 3</b>	<b>Fall Play "Peter and the Starcatcher" 7:00 PM Auditorium</b>
<b>Saturday, November 4</b>	<b>Fall Play "Peter and the Starcatcher" 7:00 PM Auditorium</b>
<b>Sunday, November 5</b>	<b>Fall Play "Peter and the Starcatcher" 2:00 PM Auditorium</b>
<b>Wednesday, November 8</b>	<b>Co-Curricular Subcommittee Meeting 6 PM Community Room</b>
<b>Friday, November 10</b>	<b>Institute Day – No School</b>
<b>Saturday, November 11</b>	<b>Parents Club Bingo 6 PM Old Gym</b>
<b>Monday, November 13</b>	<b>Regular Board of Education Meeting, 7 PM, Community Room</b>

**VIII. TOOK FORMAL ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

**CONSENT AGENDA FOR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 16, 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 of September 18, 2023;
II-A-2	3	Appendix II-A-2	Approved minutes of Education Committee of the Whole Subcommittee of September 26, 2023;
II-A-3	3	Appendix II-A-3	Approved Finance-Audit Subcommittee Meeting of October 10, 2023;
II-A-4	3	Appendix II-A-4	Approved Building & Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of October 11, 2023;
II-B-1	3	Appendix II-B-1	Approved Accounts Payable of October 16, 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 September 15 & 29, 2023;
II-B-4	3	Narration for II-B-4	Authorized signing of Payroll Vouchers for November 15 & 30, 2023;
III-B	4	Appendix III-B	Approved Requests for Out of State Travel for Baseball;
III-C	4	Appendix III-C	Approved Requests for Out of State Travel for Track & Field;
III-D	4	Appendix III-D	Approved Requests for Outside Fundraising;
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	Approved Resolution Regarding Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2023 and Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law;
V-D	6	Appendix V-D	Authorized Application for School Library Grants Available to Illinois School Districts and Approved Matching District Funds;
V-E	6	Appendix V-E	Approved Bid List;
V-F	6	Appendix V-F	Retroactively Approved Date and Agenda for Building & Grounds Subcommittee Meeting of October 11, 2023;
V-G	6	Appendix V-G	Approved School Maintenance Project Grant Application;
VI-B	7	Appendix VI-B	Approved the Date and Agenda for a Co-Curricular Subcommittee Meeting of November 8, 2023;

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

Name	Aye	Nay	Present	Absent
Draniczarek	X			
Straughn	X			
Nealon	X			
DiPiero	X			
Malicki	X			
O'Leary	X			
Tanny	X			

Board President declared the Motion: 

<b>Carried X</b>	<b>Defeated</b>
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**IX. RECOGNIZE VISITORS AND INVITE COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC**

There were no visitors at this time.

**X. CONDUCTED BOARD FORUM**

All of our sports teams are doing great – Soccer recently won and Football won the Junior Varsity and Varsity Games.

There was discussion regarding the Active Shooter system.

Union Ridge recently came to Ridgewood to see the Varsity Volleyball game and really enjoyed it.

There was discussion regarding board members children coaching and our policy regarding same.



The latest Bingo night was very successful with 248 people attending.  
The RHS Alumni Spotlight is beginning once again.  
There are plans for a Kris Kringle market in December.

**XI. ADJOURNED**

Member O'Leary moved, Seconded by Member DiPiero, Be It Resolved the Board of Education hereby adjourns at 8:40 p.m.

<b>Voice Vote:</b>	<b>Aye: 4</b>	<b>Nay:</b>	<b>Present:</b>	<b>Absent: 3</b>
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The President declared the Motion:

<b>Carried X</b>	<b>Defeated</b>
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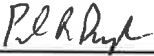
On voice vote, the President declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Cindi Stazzone, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Paul Draniczarek, President



Jamie Nealon, Secretary