

**Riceville Community School
Riceville, IA**

The Board of Education of the Riceville Community School District held their regular board meeting on May 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. The board members present are Guertin, Hale, McCarthy, Eastman and Baethke. Student Board Rep: Bernie Losee. Also, in attendance: Barb Schwamman—Superintendent, Jennifer Dunn- Board Secretary. Heather Suckow & Marcia Grimm- Principals. Cassandra Leff- EJ Newspaper. Staff: Amy O'Donnell and Abby Gomez. Parents: Erica Baethke. Students: Kylee Perry and Izzy Kinneman.

Guertin called the meeting to order 6:00 PM.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Baethke to approve the agenda. 5 Ayes. MC.

Izzy Kinneman presented her Dog Food Donation Project for her Innovative Science Class.

Kylee Perry presented her Outdoor Classroom Pitch for her Innovative Science Class.

Motion by McCarthy, second by Eastman to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, and summary of bills. Ayes 5. MC.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Baethke to approve one open enrollment out to Osage. 5 Ayes. MC

Motion by Hale, seconded by McCarthy to approve the following contracts:

- Tyler Bartels- JH Girls Wrestling
- Gavin Sweeny—4th Grade Teacher & Assistant Football Coach
- Shary Ebert- Teacher Mentor

Roll Call Vote: Hale, Guertin, Baethke, Eastman & McCarthy -Aye. MC

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Eastman to approve the following resignations:

- Hope Nightengale- Cheer Coach

Roll Call Vote: Hale, Guertin, Baethke, Eastman & McCarthy -Aye. MC

Student Rep Losee reported on:

- Lake Day
- Lighthouse-dirty sodas
- Student Rep Losee reported on:

Student Rep Hinkemeyer reported on:

- Spirit Handoff Day
- Graduation Week

Mrs. Grimm presented on the

- District Career and Academic Plan for 2026-27
- Riceville HS Athletics Volunteer Agreement
- Riceville Elementary Teacher Assistant Application
- Wildcat time

Superintendent Schwam man spoke on:

- School Board Appreciation
- One Room Schoolhouse
- Working with Mr. McQuillen
- State Track
- Future Frontiers

Building & Grounds meeting will be set for June 15th.

Motion by Hale, seconded by Baethke to approve the Sub Chat Agreement. 5 Ayes. MC

Motion by Hale, seconded by Eastman to approve the service agreement with Ed consulting for FY 2026-27. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Eastman to approve moving the activity driver to \$20.00 per hour. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by Eastman, seconded by Baethke to approve the district fees for the 2026-27 school year: 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Hale to approve the copier lease with Marco. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by Hale, seconded by McCarthy to approve the independent contractor agreement with Nelson Media Company. 3 Ayes 2 Neys. MC.

Motion by Baethke, seconded by Eastman to approve contract to transfer state funding with Keystone AEA. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by Hale, seconded by MCarthy to approve the Field Experience and Student Teaching Agreement with Wartburg College. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Eastman to table the district service plan with Keystone AEA. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Hale to approve the Future Frontier Charter Agreement with Sumner-Fredericksburg. 5 Ayes. MC.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Eastman to approve the 28E Agreements with Osage. 5 Ayes. MC.

Announcements:

- Next School Board Meeting-June 15th @ 6 PM
- Daycare Ribbon Cutting on June 15th, 2026 @ 5 PM
- Meeting with IASB July 16th @ 6 PM

Motion by McCarthy, second by Baethke to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM. Ayes 5. MC.

Kyle Guertin
Board President

Jennifer Dunn
Board Secretary