

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140
ROCKTON, ILLINOIS 61072

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 17, 2011 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Rockton School District No. 140 was held on August 17, 2011, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Rockton Grade School Library, 1050 East Union Street, Rockton, IL 61072.

President Mrs. Warren called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

	<u>Meason</u>	<u>Michowski</u>	<u>Midgett</u>	<u>Neece</u>	<u>Praneis</u>	<u>Schubert</u>	<u>Warren</u>
Roll Call	ABS	P	P	P	P	P	P

Others present: Superintendent Mike Greenlee, Principals Glenn Terry, Scott Rollinson, Kindyl Etnyre, Assistant Principals Cheri Fuller, Shaun Newmes, RTA President/Teacher Gail Johnson, Business Manager Julia Saunders, and various guests.

Closed Session

Mr. Schubert moved to enter executive session at 6:01 p.m. to discuss Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), Negotiations (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), Pending Litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), Student Discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), Selection of a Person to Fill a Public Office (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3), Other Matters Relating to Individual Students (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10), Lease of Real Property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), Setting of Sale Price of Real Property (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6), Sale or Purchase of Securities, Investments or Investment Contracts (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(7), and Lawfully Closed Meeting Minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21), seconded by Mrs. Praneis. Neece, Praneis, Schubert, Midgett, Michowski, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Mrs. Michowski moved to return to open session at 6:30 p.m., seconded by Mr. Schubert. Midgett, Neece, Schubert, Michowski, Praneis, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance led by President Mrs. Warren.

WCSEC Budget Hearing

The budget hearing for the Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative was called to order. Mr. Zelten presented the WCSEC's proposed FY12 budget.

Mr. Schubert moved to approve the Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative's budget as presented for the 2011-2012 school year, seconded by Mr. Schubert. Midgett, Neece, Schubert, Michowski, Praneis, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Correspondence

None

Comments from Community

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mrs. Praneis. No one wished to address the Board. Regular session resumed.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Praneis moved to approve consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mrs. Michowski.

Items included:

1. July 27, 2011 Regular meeting minutes
2. August bills, September payroll, July treasurer's report
3. Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative action
4. Request – Distribute information and conduct parent meetings regarding School Tours of America to Washington D.C. for eighth grade students in March 2012.
5. District Contracts/Fund Raisers

Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Praneis, Michowski, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Satellite Bills

Mrs. Praneis moved to approve Satellite bills as presented, seconded by Mr. Schubert.
Schubert, Midgett, Praneis, Warren, Neece, Michowski-abstain – 5 ayes and 1 abstain
Motion carried.

Personnel

A motion was made by Mrs. Warren, seconded by Mr. Schubert, to approve the following personnel report.

a. Employment – 2011-2012 school year

Non-Certified

- o Deborah Roberson SMMS teacher assistant – part-time

b. Resignation

Non-Certified

- o Kristine Saey SMMS teacher assistant – part-time
- o Cyndi Leet RGS food service aide – part-time

Certified

- o Sue Walsh Science Olympiad advisor

c. Transfer

Certified

- o Terri Brown First grade to second grade teacher

Neece, Michowski, Schubert, Midgett, Praneis, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

Mrs. Warren moved to approve the July 27, 2011 regular closed session minutes, and that they are to remain closed, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

All voted aye – 6

Motion carried.

Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session

None

DRAFT FY12 Budget

Superintendent Mike Greenlee and Business Manager Julia Saunders presented the FY12 draft budget. The draft budget information outlines the projected revenues, expenditures and anticipated balances for FY12. Superintendent Greenlee noted the budget reduction in general state aid and transportation is a result of cuts made from the state. This tentative budget will be placed on display for public review on August 18, 2011. According to the ILSC, Section 17-1, a tentative budget must be available for public review for 30 days prior to the final adoption of the school district budget at a public hearing. The budget hearing is scheduled for September 28, 2011 at 7 p.m. A finance committee will be established in September consisting of staff, community, and board members.

Self-Insurance Status

Miller, Buettner & Parrott, district's insurance broker, secured a re-insurance renewal. The current self-insurance fund balance lost \$74,887.30 in FY11 due to a high number of claims with an ending balance of \$839,619.17. This is the third consecutive year of loss to our reserve. Based on the re-insurance proposals, our broker has recommended the district change PPO provider ECOH to Blue Cross/Blue Shield and change the administrative provider NIHP to Blue Cross/Blue Shield. If we stayed with the current providers, the increase to the BOE would have been 31.65%. By changing providers, the district increase will be approximately 7%. The approximate cost to the BOE for the increase in family and one dependent coverage is \$10,693 for FY12 school year. A history of medical and dental insurance contributions was provided.

Mrs. Warren moved to approve change in provider to Blue Cross/Blue Shield and approve medical insurance rate increase of not more than 7% for the 2011-12 school year, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

Midgett, Neece, Michowski, Schubert, Praneis, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report

1. Provided update on White property, noting the fire department will begin training in September.
2. Noted maintenance director is obtaining bids for the SMMS storage shed.
3. Reported he attended the New Superintendent's conference August 1st through 3rd.
4. Provided update on summer work at all buildings.
5. Shared enrollment numbers as of August 16th.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr. Terry:

- Noted maintenance staff did an awesome job cleaning RGS this summer.
- Thanked secretary Lisa Rehfeldt for time spent on the new student data software program.
- Mentioned students enjoyed summer school and read some comments from surveys parents completed. Thanked Mrs. Rohrer, Mrs. Salberg, and Mrs. Ward.

Mrs. Fuller:

- Mentioned new family orientation at RGS and WPES went well.
- Shared she is busy learning new programs and is looking forward to the new school year.

Mr. Rollinson:

- Thanked secretary Tammy Welcher for time spent on the new student software program.
- Noted maintenance staff did a wonderful job cleaning WPES.

- Congratulated staff who participated in a half marathon last week.

Mrs. Etnyre:

- Thanked maintenance staff for their hard work this summer cleaning SMMS.
- Thanked Jenny Middleton and office staff for time spent on the new student software program.
- Thanked Mr. Newmes for his help with scheduling.
- Noted the Booster Club is selling mums again this year.

Mr. Newmes:

- Thanked Mr. Shook and Mr. Hall for their help with the new student management program.
- New student orientation at SMMS is August 23rd.

MEMBERS' COMMENTS

- Mrs. Michowski mentioned playground areas are in need of more mulch and mentioned area at WPES where rain water does not drain properly. Dr. Greenlee will explore different options.
- Mrs. Warren mentioned a possibility of attending the school board conference in Chicago in November and is thinking of ways to cut costs if members are interested in attending.
- Mr. Midgett shared he will be contacting legislators regarding state funding and other issues.

Comments from Community

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mrs Praneis. Gail Johnson commented she would be interested in speaking to legislators with Mr. Midgett.
Regular session resumed.

NEXT BOE MEETING

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School library on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Michowski moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Neece.
All voted aye – 6
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved date: September 28, 2011

President: _____

Secretary: _____