

Minutes of Regular Meeting Held January 25, 2012

The Board of Education Rockton School District No. 140

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Rockton School District No. 140 was held on January 25, 2012, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Rockton Grade School Library, 1050 East Union Street, Rockton, IL 61072.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by President Brenda Warren at 6:00 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Larry Schubert, Chanice Michowski, Bill Midgett, Laura Neece, Brenda Warren
Absent: Jim Meason and Sarah Praneis

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

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Correspondence**

- Thank you card from Laura Zimmerman for the day off with pay she won at the district holiday party.
- Three letters of out-of-school suspensions.

5. **Comments from the Community**

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

6. **Consent Agenda**

Mrs. Warren moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

Items included:

1. December 14, 2011 regular meeting minutes, December 27, 2011 Negotiations Committee meeting minutes, January 11, 2012 Special Purpose meeting minutes
2. January bills, February payroll, December treasurer's report
3. Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative action

Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Michowski, Warren – 5 ayes
Motion carried.

7. **Satellite Bills**

Mr. Midgett moved to approve January Satellite bills, seconded by Mr. Schubert.
Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Warren, Michowski – 5 ayes
Motion carried.

8. **Quarterly Investment Review**

The quarterly investment report of the district's investment portfolio was provided. As per BOE policy, board members are requested to review the investment performance by appropriate and creditable standards for the investment type.

9. SMMS Life Safety Audit

SMMS is due for the 10 year life safety review. Architects and engineers will be inspecting the building and creating a list of items that will need to be repaired and a timeline for these repairs.

Mr. Schubert moved to approve Larson and Darby Group to conduct the State required life safety inspection for SMMS, seconded by Mrs. Neece.
Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Michowski, Warren – 5 ayes
Motion carried.

10. 2012-2013 School Calendar

The draft calendar for the 2012-2013 school year was provided for review. The draft calendar will be discussed at the February BOE meeting at which time staff feedback will be presented.

11. Surplus Items

Mr. Schubert moved to approve list of surplus items obsolete, seconded by Mrs. Neece.
Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Michowski, Warren – 5 ayes
Motion carried.

12. Date Change for February's Meeting

Mrs. Warren moved to approve request to change the February BOE meeting from Wednesday, February 22, 2012 to Wednesday, February 15, 2012 because of a scheduling conflict, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

All voted aye – 5
Motion carried.

13. Superintendents Report

- REEF is hosting the fifth annual 'Trivia Night' on February 4, 2012 at SMMS as a fundraiser. REEF has arranged for an enjoyable evening of family fun that will hopefully generate funds to support their valuable teacher grant program. The doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the games begin at 6:00 p.m..
- Parent survey results from the WPES After-School Math and Reading program is attached.
- The FCC is in the process of reviewing whether we will be able to keep our wireless license and allow Utopian Wireless to lease it.
- Superintendent Greenlee will be meeting with Illinois Central School Bus contract manager, Dennis McCann to address bus issues.

14. Administrative Reports

A. Mr. Terry

- Teacher's Institute Day on January 13th was great. Teachers participated in Common Core group work and more Teacher Ease training. Thanked Lindy Daniels for her help.
- PTO Ice Hogs game is January 28th.
- RGS movie night is February 3rd.
- First grade concert is February 16th at 6:30 p.m.
- Pre-K students enjoyed the field trip to Discovery Center.

B. Mrs. Fuller

- Parent Portal opened on January 23rd and parents are using the program.
- MAPS testing is almost completed.
- WPES second quarter reward is January 30th. Currently, 234 students will be participating.
- February 7th is the 100th day of school.
- Special team planning day is January 31st.

C. Mr. Rollinson

- After-School Math program surveys from fall 2011 indicates the program is working very well for students.
- Thanked Laura Benkovich, Kelly Baumgartner, and Zach Newman for submitting REEF grants.
- Congratulated WPES teacher, Gina Tuula for being one of the top 20 Golden Apple finalists.
- WPES has two student teachers this semester – Robert McFall (with Julie Breese) and Becky Robinson (with Cari Benkovich).
- Fourth grade students will be attending a field trip to Burpee Museum.
- Teachers Mary Newman and Ruth King will be presenting at the Illinois Reading Conference.

D. Mrs. Etnyre

- Chaperones are needed for the February 10th Valentine's Dance.
- January 23rd – January 27th is No Name Calling week.
- Pick-a-Time opens on February 9th for parent-teacher conferences.
- Mr. Newmes and Mrs. Etnyre signed 384 honor roll letters.

E. Mr. Newmes

- Boys basketball ended with a great season and girls basketball has started.
- Hononegah High School will be at SMMS on February 3rd for an 8th grade orientation.
- Student teacher Carley Schmit is with Ann Hart this semester.
- Several SMMS staff have signed up to go the PTO Ice Hogs game on January 28th.

15. Comments from the Community

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mrs Neece.

- SMMS teacher Craig Carter explained the Waucaubec 7th grade reward program and also commented SMMS teacher Diana Kelly is working hard with the preparation of the Upham Woods field trip.
- RTA President/Teacher Gail Johnson mentioned the collective bargaining team invited all members of the team to dinner on January 26th.

Regular session resumed.

16. Members' Comments

None

- 17.** Mrs. Neece moved to go into Executive Session at 6:25 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 Mr. Midgett.

Neece, Schubert, Midgett, Michowski, Warren – 5 ayes

Motion carried.

Mrs. Neece moved to return to open session at 9:12 p.m., seconded by Mr. Schubert. Midgett, Neece, Schubert, Michowski, Warren – 5 ayes

