

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held June 29, 2016**

**The Board of Education
Rockton School District No. 140**

1. **Call to Order** by President Littlefield at 6:29 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Present - Gail Johnson, Josh Houghton, Jim Meason, Katie Littlefield

Absent - Chanice Michowski, Stacey Heiar

Others present: Superintendent Terry, RTA President Dan Baumgartner, RTA Vice President Gina Tuula, Sue Miller, Tim Ehlers, and several community members.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Comments from the Community**

RTA President Dan Baumgartner announced that Gina Tuula is now the Vice President of the Rockton Teachers' Association, Lindy Daniels is the Secretary, and Amy Limke is the Treasurer.

5. **Appointment of New BOE Member**

President Katie Littlefield administered the oath of office to new BOE Member, Shawn Connors, who will serve in place of former BOE member, Kevin Finnegan.

6. **Amended Budget Hearing**

The district amended budget hearing was called to order at 6:35 p.m. Mrs. Littlefield opened the hearing and asked the audience for public input. No public input was given. Mrs. Littlefield moved to approve the amended budget, seconded by Mr. Meason.

Roll call: Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Connors, Mrs. Littlefield, 5 ayes, Motion carried.

No one wished to address the Board regarding the proposed amended budget. Mrs. Littlefield adjourned the budget hearing at 6:36 p.m.

Mrs. Littlefield moved to approve the Amended budget at 6:40 p.m. as presented, seconded by Mr. Meason.

Roll call: Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Meason, Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mrs. Littlefield, 5 ayes, Motion carried.

7. Mr. Meason moved to go into **Executive Session** at 6:40 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. Houghton.

Roll Call: Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

Mrs. Littlefield moved to return to open session at 6:52, seconded by Mr. Houghton.

Roll call: Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

8. **Correspondence**

- Two letters of out-of-school suspension.

9. **Committee Meeting Updates**

- May 19 Insurance Committee Update – See separate meeting minutes.
- June 10 Building & Grounds Committee Update – See separate meeting minutes.
- June 28 Personnel Committee Update – See separate meeting minutes.

10. **Consent Items**

Mrs. Littlefield motioned to remove the Entitlement Grants, from the Consent agenda as information had not yet been received by District and to move the RSD #140 BOE Meeting Schedule item to New Business for further discussion, seconded by Mrs. Johnson.

Roll call: Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

Mrs. Littlefield moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Meason. Items recommended for approval are last month's open session minutes, committee meeting open session minutes, June bills, July payroll, May treasurer's report and all items identified below:

* **Cooperative:** Action taken at the Board meeting for Winnebago County Special Education.

* **General State Aid:** Approval of the state aid entitlement application for the 2016-17 school year.

* **Prevailing Wage:** Annual BOE adoption of a resolution affirming the current prevailing wages for the region.

* **May 19 Insurance Committee Meeting Minutes**

* **June 10 Special Purpose Meeting Minutes**

* **June 10 Building & Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes**

* **June 28 Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes**

Roll call: Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

11. **Personnel**

Mrs. Littlefield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meason to approve the following employments for the 2016-2017 school year:

CERTIFIED STAFF

- Jessi Yates (Bolin) – (Resign) 1st grade teacher
- Stori Dimke (Hire) – Summer School Coordinator

- Erin Ryczek (Hire) - Summer School (Kindergarten)

- Sam Byers (Hire) – Summer School (1St Grade)
- Mary Spors (Hire) – Summer School (2nd Grade)
- Erin Rollinson(Hire) – 2nd Grade Teacher

- Maggie Campbell (Hire) - 1st Grade Teacher

- Grant Oleson (Hire) – 7th Grade Boys Basketball Stipend
- Sherril Erickson (Resign) – Kindergarten Teacher
- Stephanie Ballard (Leave) – Maternity Leave August 15th through September 5th 2016
- Paige (Jaeger) Raudonis (Hire) – Kindergarten Teacher

- Carol Flohr (Hire) – Part-time Science Teacher

NON-CERTIFIED STAFF

- Wendy Enos (Hire) – Summer School Aide
- Kerri Carroll (Hire) – Summer School Aide
- Cindy Mizner (Hire) – Summer School Aide
- Lisa Lindstrom (Resign) – RGS Paraprofessional
- Anna Ewing (Resign) – RGS Paraprofessional
- Tina Lewandowski (Resign) – SMMS Paraprofessional

- Sheryll Sager (Resign) – SMMS Maintenance
- Dan Lawson (transfer) – SMMS 1st shift Maintenance from WPES 2nd Shift
- Stacey West (Hire) – SMMS Paraprofessional
- Rhonda Rivers (Resign) – SMMS Food Service

Roll call: Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

12. **Closed Session Minutes**

Mr. Meason moved to approve the May 18, 2016 regular closed session minutes and recommended they are to be opened, seconded by Mr. Houghton.

Roll call: Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

13. **Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session**

1) Approval of New Leave Guidelines for Non-Certified Full Time Year Round Employees

Mrs. Johnson moved to approve the new leave guidelines for Non-Certified Full Time Year Round Employees, seconded by Mr. Meason.

Roll call: Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

14. **Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Contract, By-Laws and Membership in the Illinois Scholastic Cooperative**

Mr. Meason made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of Contract, By-Laws and Membership in the Illinois Scholastic Cooperative, seconded by Mr. Houghton.

Roll call: Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

15. **BOE Approval of Parking Lot Repair**

Tim Ehlers updated the Board on the asphalt patching of 9 areas in the RGS/WPES parking lot for the sum of \$13,329.48 from Bel Rock paving. Approval is recommended for payment to Bel Rock Paving.

Mr. Houghton made a motion to approve the sum of \$13,329.48 for payment to Bel Rock Paving, seconded by Mrs. Johnson.

Roll call: Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mrs. Littlefield, - 5 ayes, Motion carried.

16. **Milk and Bread Bid Rollover for FY17**

Superintendent Terry updated the Board on the request to rollover the bid from our bread and milk vendors. Recall that this bid is a joint district agreement involving Hononegah, Kinnikinnick, Prairie Hill, Shirland and South Beloit school districts. Bread pricing remains the same for next school year. While not all dairy products decreased in cost, the pricing represents an overall decrease of 0.4% based on total projected usage.

Mr. Meason made a motion to approve the Request for the Milk and Bread Bid Rollover for FY17, seconded by Mr. Connors.

Roll call: Mr. Meason, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

17. **Property Liability and Worker's Compensation Renewal**

Sue Miller updated the Board regarding Property Liability and Worker's Compensation insurance. She recommended joining the Prairie State Insurance Cooperative for Property & Casualty insurance and ZNAT Insurance Company (Workers Compensation).

Mr. Meason made a motion to approve the Resolution for Membership in the Prairie State Insurance Cooperative and to select ZNAT Insurance Company as our Workers Compensation Insurance provider, seconded by Mrs. Johnson.

Roll call: Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Connors, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Meason, Mrs. Littlefield – 5 ayes, Motion carried.

18. **New Business**

Discussion was held regarding the Rockton School District #140 2016-2017 BOE Meeting dates and a new start time of 6:00 p.m.

President Littlefield moved for approval of the 2016-2017 calendar dates and start time of 6:00p.m., seconded by Mr. Houghton. All voted aye - 5. Motion carried.

19. **Superintendents Report**

- Mr. Terry welcomed Mr. Shawn Connors to the RSD #140 Board.
- Mr. Terry updated the BOE that District received the June GSA payment of \$166,000.
- Mr. Terry updated the BOE on the withdrawal of the petition to build an Asphalt Company here in Rockton, Illinois.

20. **Comments from the Community**

- RTA Vice President Gina Tuula thanked Tim Ehlers and his staff for all their hard work in maintaining the three schools.

21. **Members' Comments**

- Mr. Houghton welcomed Mr. Shawn Connors to the Board.
- Mrs. Johnson updated the BOE on her attendance to the WCSE Co-op meeting where she learned of the new way in which Co-op is allocating dollars. Kim Moore has offered to come speak at the next BOE meeting to update the Board further. Mrs. Johnson also commented on how happy Highview Retirement personnel are with their participation with Lisa Koch's special education class. Mrs. Johnson also updated the BOE on how United Methodist Church is going to participate in the painting of the RGS hallways.

22. **Adjournment**

Mrs. Littlefield moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Mr. Houghton. 5 ayes, Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School Music room on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Katie Littlefield, Board President

Stacey Heiar, Board Secretary