

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140
ROCKTON, ILLINOIS 61072

MINUTES OF THE MAY 25, 2011 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Rockton School District No. 140 was held on May 25, 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	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

Mr. Meason arrived at 6:14 p.m.

Others present: Superintendent Jean Harezlak, Principals Barb Browning, Scott Rollinson, Kindyl Etnyre, Assistant Principals Shaun Newmes and Glenn Terry, Mike Greenlee, RTA President/Teacher Gail Johnson, and various guests.

Closed Session

Mrs. Neece moved to enter closed session at 6:01 p.m. to discuss the following: Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), Lawfully closed meeting minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21), Student discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), Purchase of land (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

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

Mrs. Praneis moved to return to open session at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Michowski.

Michowski, Praneis, Midgett, Neece, Meason, Schubert, Warren – 7 ayes
Motion carried.

Student Artwork Presentations

Artwork created by Rockton School District students, Anna Connell, first grade, Taylor Wallace, third grade, and Stephanie Umenhofer, eighth grade, was presented. The students have given permission for their artwork to be displayed in the district office until they graduate from high school.

Upham Woods

SMMS teachers Diana Stephens, Stephanie Lynde, and Craig Carter, shared information regarding this year's seventh grade field trip to the outdoor educational program in Wisconsin.

Correspondence

- Thank you cards from Jenny Middleton, Lisa Rudy, Karen Binger, Lisa Rehfeldt, Teresa Tomblinson, and Kris Holland for plant basket received on Administrative Assistants Day.
- Thank you card from Melinda Blunt for plant sent after her surgery.
- Thank you card from Pat Taphorn for flowers sent after her surgery.
- One letter from concerned parent.

- One letter of in-school suspension, eight letters of out of school suspension, and nine letters of bus suspension.

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

Consent Agenda

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

Items included:

1. April 27, 2011 Regular meeting minutes
2. May bills, June payroll, April treasurer's report
3. Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative action
4. Depositories
5. Extended School Year
 - Cindy Snowdon Teacher
 - Holly Fisher Special teacher assistant – part-time
 - Nancy Nupnau Special teacher assistant – part-time
 - Jenna Manning Special teacher assistant – part-time
6. Final approval of the 2010-11 school calendar
7. Upham Woods field trip
8. School Specialty representative Julie Hayes donated tables to SMMS

Praneis, Schubert, Midgett, Michowski, Meason, Neece, Warren – 7 ayes
Motion carried.

Personnel

A motion was made by Mrs. Warren, seconded by Mrs. Michowski, to approve the following personnel report as discussed in closed session.

- a. Employment – 2011-2012 school year
 - Certified
 - Cheri Fuller RGS/WPES assistant principal
 - Theresa Ciasto RGS art teacher
 - Jessica Yates Seventh grade English & science teacher
 - Stephanie Lynde 6/7th grade volleyball coach
- b. Extended School Year Satellite Program – June 13, 2011 through July 8, 2011
 - Cindy Snowdon Teacher
 - Holly Fisher Special teacher assistant – part-time
 - Nancy Nupnau Special teacher assistant – part-time
 - Jenna Manning Special teacher assistant – part-time
- c. Summer 2011 Maintenance
 - Geri LaRosa
 - Linda Wennerberg
 - Phil Goundreau
- d. FMLA Leave Request – 2011-2012 school year
 - Certified
 - Erin Salberg RGS teacher
 - Betsy Atkins SMMS teacher – part-time (2011-12)

Michowski, Schubert, Meason, Praneis, Midgett, Neece, Warren – 7 ayes
Motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

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

All voted aye – 7

Motion carried.

School Picture Contract

Mrs. Neece moved to approve three year agreement with Inter-State Studio for the school district student pictures, seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

Neece, Michowski, Schubert, Meason, Praneis, Midgett, Warren – 7 ayes

Motion carried.

Policy Committee

- The following policy changes were reviewed and will be recommended for Board action at the June BOE meeting. Recommendations for each of the policies listed below are noted in the Policy Committee minutes.
 - 2:140 – Communications To and From the Board
 - 2:250 – Access to District Public Records
 - 3:50 – Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent
 - 3:60 – Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal
 - 4:15 – Identity Protection
 - 5:40 – Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
 - 5:50 – Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace
 - 5:150 – Personnel Records
 - 5:200 – Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal
 - 5:285 – Drug and Alcohol Testing for School bus & Commercial Vehicle Drivers
 - 5:300 – Schedules and Employment Year
 - 6:100 – Using Animals in the Educational Program
 - 6:150 – Home and Hospital Instruction
 - 6:160 – English Language Learners
 - 6:190 – Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities
 - 6:210 – Instructional Materials
 - 6:250 – Community Resource Persons and Volunteers
 - 6:255 – Instructional Materials
 - 7:260 – Exemption from Physical Activity
 - 7:280 – Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
 - 8:10 – Connection with the Community
 - 8:95 – Parental Involvement
 - 8:110 – Public Suggestions and Concerns

Parent Teacher Advisory Committee

Illinois School Code requires an annual meeting of parents and staff to review our code of conduct and the district's wellness policy. Assistant Principal Shaun Newmes chaired this year's meeting on May 11, 2011. Mr. Newmes reviewed the committee recommendations.

Mr. Schubert moved to approve parent teacher advisory committee recommendations as presented for the 2011-2012 Student/Parent handbook, seconded by Mrs. Neece.

All voted aye – 7

Motion carried.

2011-12 Meeting Dates and Committee Assignments

Mrs. Praneis moved to approve 2011-2012 meeting dates, seconded by Mr. Schubert.
All voted aye – 7
Motion carried.

BOE president confirmed committee assignments.

Healthy, Hunger Free Kids Act

Superintendent Harezlak shared information regarding the upcoming regulations from this law but action on the new rules is pending implementation procedures from the ISBE.

Strategic Planning Update

Superintendent Harezlak presented information regarding the implementation status of our 2008-2012 Strategic Plan.

Board Reflections

Article was reviewed and discussed.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

April SIP Day Evaluations

Summary evaluations for the April 21st SIP day were provided.

Staff Recognition Breakfast

Board members are invited to join the staff in celebration of a successful school year at our annual recognition breakfast. The breakfast will be held at SMMS cafeteria on June 8, 2011. Breakfast service will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the program at 8 a.m. REEF grant recipients will be recognized as well as the presentations of staff awards.

Other

- Replacement of cafeteria lights at SMMS will be completed by Ballad Electric this summer.
- Reported district will be purchasing a 1998 Isuzu truck with a lift to transport daily lunch carts.
- Data First for Governance workshop for board members will be held June 11th at Harlem Administration Center from 8-noon.
- A Joint BOE meeting at HHS is scheduled for June 15th.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dr. Browning:

- The RGS art show was May 4th and thanked Mr. Enderle for a great show.
- Second grade students will be touring WPES.
- Talcott Library representatives will be at RGS on June 6th to speak about the summer reading program.
- Mrs. Erickson received an Ecolab grant.

Mr. Terry:

- RGS McTeacher night was fun. RGS raised over \$700.
- PTO voted to provide after-school busing in the fall for children who participate in programs.
- Theresa Ciasto, new RGS art teacher for next school year is excited about her new position.
- Field day at WPES is June 1st and at RGS on June 2nd.
- Fourth grade Wax Museum is May 26th.

Mr. Rollinson:

- The Pacer Race was last week and 150 students participated.
- Fifth grade students will be visiting SMMS on May 27th.
- WPES Bash is June 3rd.
- Fourth grade students will be going to Madison Zoo on June 7th.
- Recognized teachers who received Ecolab grants.
- WPES celebrated Mrs. Heinemann's retirement.

Mr. Newmes:

- Three SMMS students qualified for the State track meet May 20th.
- Field day is June 7th.

Mrs. Etnyre:

- Thanked those who attended the Fine Arts Fair.
- Graduation is June 6th.
- Mrs. Blecker received an Ecolab grant.
- SMMS piloted a mentor program with HHS.
- Band students did a great job competing at Trills and Thrills on May 20th.

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mr. Schubert. On behalf of the RTA, Gail Johnson presented BOE member Mr. Meason a gift to wish him well as he leaves for active duty. Board President Mrs. Warren also presented a card to Mr. Meason. Regular session resumed.

NEXT BOE MEETING

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School library on Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Praneis moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Michowski.
All voted aye – 7
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Approved date: June 22, 2011

President: _____

Secretary: _____