

**ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140**

**Board of Education**

**Wednesday, November 14, 2018**

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**1. Call to Order**

President Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, John Gibbons, Chad Papke,  
Absent: Josh Houghton

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kim Garst, Tim Ehlers, Kindyl Etnyre, Megan Forsythe, Matt Roer,  
Autumn Czizek, Lindy Daniels

Left early: Shawn Connors 7:00pm

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Comments from the Community**

None

**5. Correspondence**

**6. Lindy Daniels Presentation - Results of the PARCC Testing**

Lindy Daniels presented our 2018 PARCC results to the Board. The number of students who met or exceeded ELA standards increased by 3% to 63% for the district. For math standards, the district percentage of students meeting or exceeding stayed stable at 52%. There were several different cohorts of students whose overall percentage grew anywhere between 9 and 16% mainly in ELA. The state provided two new types of scores this year, a student growth percentile for each student in grades 4 through 8 and an official summative designation for each school. RGS and WPES received a designation of Commendable, and SMMS received a designation of Exemplary.

7. Shawn Connors motioned into Executive Session at 6:25 pm 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) Lawfully closed meeting minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) and Self-evaluation, practice and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(16), seconded by John Gibbons.

Roll Call: Chad Papke, John Gibbons, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors

**8. Action Arising out of closed Session**

Personnel

CERTIFIED POSITION

Sharon Crowley - Letter of retirement effective at the end of the 2022 school year.

NON CERTIFIED POSITION

Amy Hommema (Request of Extension of Leave through December 31, 2018)

Michelle Marella/Early Childhood Education Paraprofessional Special Education (Resignation)

**8.1 Approval of Personnel**

John Gibbons motioned to approve the above referenced Personnel, and was seconded by Brett Lundsten.

Roll Call: Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, John Gibbons, Chad Papke

**8.2 Approval of September 26, 2018 BOE Closed Session Minutes**

Brett Lundsten motioned to approve the September 26, 2018 Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Chad Papke.  
All in favor 5 ayes, motion passed.

**8.3 Approval of October 24, 2018 BOE Closed Session Minutes**

Brett Lundsten motioned to approve the October 24, 2018 Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Chad Papke.  
All in favor 5 ayes, motion passed.

**9. Consent Items**

**Items recommended for the consent agenda are:**

- Approval of RSD #140 November bills:\$331,577.86, September & October Expenditures
- Approval of September 24, 2018 Regular B.O.E. Minutes
- Approval of October 1, 2018 Special Purpose Minutes
- Approval of October 10, 2018 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- Approval of October 24, 2018 Regular B.O.E. Minutes
- Approval of \$602 donation for Versatiles for Mrs. Brooks' 3rd grade class.

Gail Johnson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by John Gibbons.

Roll Call: Chad Papke, John Gibbons, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson

**10. Approval of Strategic Plan**

Chad Papke motioned to approve the strategic plan, seconded by Brett Lundsten.  
All in favor 5 ayes, motion passed.

**11. Levy Presentation - December Public Hearing and Approval**

Kim Garst reviewed details of the 2018 Levy with the Board. Mrs. Garst reviewed the levy process with the Board and compared this year's levy request with the previous year.

**12. Approval Running Club Position**

Approval was requested for an additional Running Club Supervisor with a coaching stipend of \$500/year.

Gail Johnson motioned to approve an additional Running Club Supervisor with a \$500.00 per year coaching stipend, seconded by John Gibbons.

Roll Call: Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, John Gibbons, Chad Papke

### **13. Architect Search**

Mr. Terry discussed with the BOE the required process for selecting an architect. The BOE agreed that a group of 1 or 2 Board members, along with Mr. Terry and Mr. Ehlers would conduct the initial interviews. Once those are completed, they will report back to the Board.

### **14. New Business**

Mr. Terry advised the BOE that he would be submitting a property tax relief grant that the state is offering.

### **15. Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Terry advised the BOE that the District received a quarterly FOIA request from Smartprocure. He also updated the Board regarding the status of the intercom system at RGS/WPES.

### **16. Administrative Reports**

#### **RGS Administrative Report**

**November 14, 2018**

#### **1. PTO**

- a. Please consider ordering from Papa John's on Thursday, November 15th to support the PTO.
- b. The PTO is looking for a committee and chairperson to organize the Holiday Shoppe on December 1st. Please contact [rockton140.org](http://rockton140.org) if you are interested.
- c. Thank you to Gayle Kelly for picking up and delivering all of our food items to the Old Stone Church Food Pantry. Thank you to our families for the generous donations.

#### **2. Why is RGS our Happy Place?**

- a. Thank you to Mrs. Baumgartner and Mrs. Butler for an enchanting experience at the RGS book fair! Also, congrats to Mrs. Baumgartner for securing the School District Grant Library Award for Rockton #140!
- b. Celebrate American Education Week November 12-16! We are thankful for the public education provided to the families and community of Rockton, Illinois.

#### **WPES Administrative Report**

**11/14/18**

1. Thank you to Mrs. Kristin Carroll for organizing our Veteran's Day Assembly. In addition to the slideshow of pictures of family of students and staff who have served, we also had a wonderful performance by our WPES choir and Stephen Mack student, Colton Camp, who played Taps on his trumpet. The assembly was well-attended and was an excellent way to honor those who have served our country.
2. Whitman Post students enjoyed a Rec Night sponsored by our Rockton Warriors Booster Club on November 2. A shout out to all of the parents and staff who gave up their Friday night to help supervise this event. The kids always have a blast and it's an excellent fundraiser for our Booster Club.

#### **SMMS Administrative Report**

November 14, 2018

1. Thank you to the Rockton Warriors Booster Club for funding a gaga ball pit for the students at SMMS. They are very much enjoying it!
2. Thank you to Mrs. Guerra for organizing the opportunity for students to taste test different menu items for our lunch menus. They have had a great time this week trying different items.
3. Congratulations to Lucinda Balandis, Bryan Collins, Ann Hart, Penny Lee, Molly Lengjak, Sally Southworth and Laura Zimmerman for being nominated for a Golden Apple this year!

**17. Members' Comments**

Gail Johnson stated that she was thankful to work with and be apart of such a wonderful team as the Rockton School District Board of Education and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. Brett Lundsten asked that the BOE revisit items discussed during the financial audit and discuss how to handle situations that may arise at the next Committee of the Whole meeting in January.

**18. Adjournment**

Brett Lundsten moved to adjourn at 8:29 pm, seconded by Chad Papke. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School Music room on December 19, 2018.

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Katie Littlefield

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Gail Johnson