

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140  
ROCKTON, ILLINOIS 61072

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2009 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Rockton School District No. 140, Winnebago County, Illinois was duly called and held on October 28, 2009, at the Rockton Grade School Library in Rockton, Illinois, within the boundaries of said District.

President Mrs. Warren called the meeting to order at 6:05 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 6:35 p.m. and left at 8:35 p.m.

Others present: Superintendent Jean Harezlak, Principals Barb Browning, Scott Rollinson, Kindyl Etnyre, Assistant Principal Glenn Terry, Business Manager Julia Saunders, and various teacher guests.

**Closed Session**

Mr. Schubert moved to enter closed session at 6:06 p.m. to discuss 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), seconded by Mrs. Neece.

Roll call vote: Aye: Michowski, Midgett, Schubert, Warren, Neece, Praneis. Nay: None. Carried.

Mr. Schubert moved to return to open session at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Michowski.

Roll call vote: Aye: Schubert, Midgett, Michowski, Neece, Meason, Warren, Praneis. Nay: None. Carried.

**FY2009 Audit Report**

Mr. Schubert moved to approve the district's audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2009 that ended June 30, 2009 as presented by Auditor Gary Meier, Siepert & Co. LLP, seconded Mrs. Praneis, carried unanimously.

Roll call vote: Aye: Schubert, Midgett, Michowski, Neece, Meason, Warren, Praneis. Nay: None. Carried.

**Sister School Program**

Sue Walsh, SMMS teacher, presented possible program for a sister school program with a school in China. Board members support the program and directed Ms. Walsh to obtain more information.

**2009 ISAT Results**

A review of the ISAT results from the assessment completed in March 2009 was presented by Lindy Daniels, Curriculum Coordinator.

**Correspondence**

- Thank you card received from Marge Guerrero for the plant sent in memory of her father.
- Four letters of school suspension.

Mr. Schubert moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mrs. Neece. Melissa Blecker thanked the board for their support during her participation in the National Board Certification program, regular session resumed.

### **Consent Agenda**

Mrs. Neece moved to approve consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mrs. Praneis. Roll call vote: Aye: Midgett, Meason, Schubert, Michowski, Praneis, Neece, Warren. Nay: None. Carried.

Items included:

1. September 23, 2009 Regular meeting minutes, September 23, 2009 Policy Committee meeting minutes, October 7, 2009 Special Purpose meeting minutes
2. October bills, November payroll, September treasurer's report
3. Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative executive action
4. Donation
  - SMMS Principal Kindyl Etnyre and WPES Principal Scott Rollinson accepted Exxon Mobil Education Alliance grants of \$750 for each building from the local Rockton Mobil.
  - Backpacks and school supplies from John Bartz with Hilander stores – estimated value \$375.00.

### **Instructional Equipment Bid**

Mrs. Michowski moved to accept bid from Frostline Inc. for the purchase of projectors and interactive white boards, seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

Roll call vote: Aye: Midgett, Meason, Schubert, Michowski, Praneis, Neece, Warren. Nay: None. Carried.

### **Personnel**

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

#### a. Employment – 2009-2010 school year

##### Non-Certified

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|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| o Debra Valley | RGS Teacher Assistant – part-time |
| o Carleen Hill | RGS Teacher Assistant – part-time |

#### b. Resignation

##### Non-Certified

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|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| o Kimberly Norwood | RGS Teacher Assistant – part-time |
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Roll call vote: Aye: Neece, Michowski, Schubert, Midgett, Warren, Meason, Praneis. Nay: None. Carried.

### **Closed Session Minutes**

Mr. Schubert moved to approve the September 23, 2009 regular closed session minutes and October 7, 2009 special purpose closed session minutes and that they are to remain closed, seconded by Mrs. Michowski, carried unanimously.

### **Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session**

- Mrs. Warren moved to approve request from Melissa Blecker for fee reimbursement of \$500 upon successful completion of the National Board Certification program, seconded by Mrs. Michowski.  
Roll call vote: Aye: Midgett, Neece, Michowski, Schubert, Warren, Meason, Praneis. Nay: None. Carried.

- Mr. Midgett moved to approve October 7, 2009 IASB Board Agreement, seconded by Mr. Schubert.  
Roll call vote: Aye: Schubert, Midgett, Neece, Michowski, Warren, Meason, Praneis. Nay: None. Carried.

### **Village of Rockton Annexation Agreement**

Mrs. Michowski moved to approve the terms of the annexation agreement with the Village of Rockton, seconded by Mrs. Neece.

Roll call vote: Aye: Midgett, Neece, Michowski, Warren, Meason, Praneis. Nay: Schubert. Carried.

### **Policy Committee Report**

- The following policy changes were reviewed and will be recommended for Board action at the November BOE meeting. Recommendations for each of the policies listed below are noted in the Policy Committee minutes.
  - 2:100 – Board Member Conflict of Interest
  - 2:240 – Board Policy Development
  - 2:260 – Uniform Grievance Procedure
  - 4:80 – Accounting and Audits
  - 5:180 – Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity
  - 5:220 – Substitute Teachers
  - 6:15 – School Accountability
  - 7:70 – Attendance and Truancy

### **Quarterly Investment Report**

The quarterly investment report of the district's investment portfolio was reviewed. Board members are requested to review the investment performance by appropriate and creditable standards for the investment type.

## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

### **WCHD Voluntary Vaccination Program**

Information regarding the plans for the Winnebago County Health Department's H1N1 vaccination program was shared. A H1N1 influenza consent form for children will be sent home October 29<sup>th</sup>. The voluntary vaccination program is tentatively planned to begin the week of November 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Many Thanks to PTO**

Despite very difficult weather conditions, the PTO conducted a successful annual "Fun Run". Approximately \$31,000 has been collected. We are especially grateful for their commitment and efforts to enrich our school community.

### **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Class Act Assembly**

SMMS staff has created a fun assembly with a powerful message for young and old. The presentation is on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:40 to 2:35 p.m. at SMMS gym.

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Dr. Browning reported:**

- The RGS Halloween parade is Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Report card day is October 29<sup>th</sup>.
- RGS is expecting nine new students this week.

- She enjoys observing the second grade 'Daily Five' program.

Mr. Rollinson reported:

- Veteran's Day ceremony is November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- WPES Harvest parties are October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Red Ribbon week is being celebrated at WPES.

Mrs. Etnyre reported:

- Soccer and volleyball teams had a successful season.
- Eighth grade Explore test was administered October 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Class Act assembly is October 29<sup>th</sup>.
- The Student Council costume dance is October 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Terry reported:

- PTO allocated \$6,000 for mini grants.
- Fourth grade students attended a field trip to Midway Village.
- New teacher staff presented during SIP day and did a great job.

Mrs. Daniels reported:

- She is participating in a reading committee with teachers from each grade level.

Mrs. Praneis 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.

**MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

- Mrs. Michowski thanked teachers who attended the board meeting.

**NEXT BOE MEETING**

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School library on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mrs. Michowski moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m., seconded by Mr. Midgett, carried unanimously.

Approved date: November 18, 2009

President: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_