

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140
ROCKTON, ILLINOIS 61072

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 27, 2010 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 27, 2010 at the Rockton Grade School Library in Rockton, Illinois, within the boundaries of said District.

President Mrs. Warren called the meeting to order at 6:02 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 6:40 p.m. and left at 8:10 p.m.

Others present: Superintendent Jean Harezlak, Principals Barb Browning, Scott Rollinson, Kindyl Etnyre, Assistant Principals Glenn Terry, Shaun Newmes, RTA Representative/Teacher Gail Johnson, Business Manager Julia Saunders, and various guests.

Closed Session

Mr. Schubert moved to enter closed session at 6:03 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), Pending litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

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

Mrs. Warren moved to return to open session at 7:12 p.m., seconded by Mr. Schubert.

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

FY2010 Audit Report

Julia Saunders, Business Manager, reviewed FY10 audit prepared by auditor Gary Meier, Siepert & Co. LLP, of the district's audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2010 that ended June 30, 2010. BOE members requested that Superintendent Harezlak thank auditor Meier for his offer to attend November BOE meeting but did not believe it was necessary at this time.

Mr. Schubert moved to approve the district's audited financial statements for FY10 that ended June 30, 2010 as presented, seconded Mrs. Praneis, carried unanimously.

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

2010 ISAT Results

A review of the ISAT results from the assessment completed in March 2010 was presented by Lindy Daniels, Curriculum Coordinator.

Correspondence

- Thank you card from family and friends of Kimberlee Lang for dedicating the SMMS track and field in memory of her.
- Thank you card from Karen Binger for the flowers sent after surgery.
- Thank you e-mail from Al Persson for flowers, cards, gifts sent in memory of his wife.
- Four letters of in-school suspension, five letters of out of school suspension, and five letters of bus suspension.

Board Reflections

Napier, Jessica Renee, (Summer 2008), Careers of the Future, *Converge Magazine* was discussed.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Strategic Planning Task Force

Rockton's Strategic Planning Team met on October 14, 2010 to review progress on the current plan implementation and offer suggestions for future planning. A summary report of the meeting will be presented at the January BOE meeting.

School Improvement Planning Day

Teacher evaluations for the September 24, 2010 SIP day were provided.

Many Thanks to PTO

The sunshine and warm breezes set the stage for a very successful PTO "Fun Run" fundraiser. Our students raised \$41,849 for their schools. We are especially grateful for PTO's commitment and efforts to enrich our school community.

Dedication of Lang Memorial Fields

On Saturday, October 16, 2010, family and friends gathered at SMMS to dedicate the track and field in memory of an extraordinary parent volunteer, Kimberlee Lang.

IASB Report to Membership

The October 2010 IASB report was distributed.

Other

- Acknowledged award winning picture of sunset by Mr. Midgett.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dr. Browning reported:

- Student teacher did fundraiser from Noah's Ark.
- Halloween parade is October 29th.
- Survey regarding foreign language program will be sent on School Messenger.
- Second grade will not participate in forensics this year.

Mr. Terry reported:

- PTO did an amazing job at the Fun Run on October 1st.
- Two hundred forty students painted pumpkins for their first quarter reward.

Mr. Rollinson reported:

- Celebrating Red Ribbon Week at WPES has been very successful.
- WPES students have been attending field trips.
- Invited BOE members to attend Veteran's Day assembly on November 11th.

Mrs. Etnyre reported:

- Halloween Dance is Friday, October 29th.
- NJHS is collecting cans for the food pantry.
- Class Act assembly was October 15th.
- Pick-A-Time program to schedule parent-teacher conferences is now available.

Mr. Newmes reported:

- The PTO Fun Run “Sumo” wrestling assembly was fun.
- Congratulated volleyball team who placed first place.
- Congratulated soccer teams, 8th grade placed first and 7th grade placed third.

MEMBERS’ COMMENTS

- Mrs. Michowski loved the sumo wrestling assembly.
- Mr. Midgett thanked Superintendent Harezlak for handling challenging issues in the district.

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mr. Schubert. Gail Johnson shared story about students using new Spanish vocabulary in her classroom. Regular session resumed.

NEXT BOE MEETING

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School library on Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Michowski moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Neece, carried unanimously.

Approved date: November 17, 2010

President: _____

Secretary: _____