

1. **Call to Order**

President Driggers called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

2. **Roll Call**

Cynthia Driggers, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Luashen, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde
Others Present: Glenn Terry, Mary Vosberg-RTA, Kindyl Etnyre, Megan Forsythe, Autumn Czizek

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Additions/Corrections to Agenda**

5. **Comments from the Community**

Mary Vosberg thanked the BOE for the lunch that was provided to staff.

6. **Levy Hearing**

Cynthia Driggers opened the tax levy public hearing at 6:04 pm. There was no public comment. Cynthia Driggers closed the public hearing at 6:04 pm.

7. **Approval of 2022 Tax Levy**

Steve Harkess motioned to approve the 2022 Tax Levy, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Kelsey Luashen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman, Cynthia Driggers, Carson Breed, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde
Motion Passed.

8. **Correspondence**

December correspondence:

- Thank you cards from RGS, WPES & SMMS for stocking the retreat rooms with snacks!
- Thank you card from Jessica Peight for the donation made to Rock City Fire Department in memory of her brother.
- 1-out of school suspension at RGS.
- 1-in school suspension at SMMS

9. **Executive Session**

- discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))

Steve Harkess motioned to move into Executive Session at 6:06 pm, seconded by Mike Plourde.

10. **Approval of Personnel**

Non-Certified New Hire

Sarah Sandoval, EC Para @RGS, Effective 12/12/22

Extended Child Rearing Leave Unpaid

Sam Hawkinson, Extended Leave through 22-23SY

Tania Mutton, Extended Leave through 22-23SY

Non-Certified Resignation

Danyale Coney, 1:1 Para @SMMS, Effective 11/18/2022

Haylee Smith, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective 12/2/2022

Building SUB

Keri Solverson, WPES Building SUB, Effective 1/2/2023

Unpaid Medical Leave of Absence

Jennafer Parrish, Dr Approved Medical Leave of Absence, Unpaid, Unknown indefinite

Scott Robinson motioned to approve 2 Non-Certified New Hires, 2-extended Child Rearing Leaves Unpaid, 2-Non-Certified Resignations, 1-Building Sub Hire, 1-Unpaid Medical Leave of Absence, seconded by Kelsey Luashen.

Roll Call: Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen, Mike Plourde, Steve Harkess, Carson Breed, Cynthia Driggers
Motion Passed.

11. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Financials: Approval of RSD #140 December 2022 bills \$229,416.49, ~~Approval of November reports as follows: Cash Report, Revenue Report, Expenditure Report, Cash & Investment Report, Operating Funds Summary, Fund Balance Report, Treasurer's Report, Check Register, Activity Check Register, Payroll Gross Earnings, Payroll Liabilities Paid~~
- Approval of November 16, 2022 BOE Minutes
- ~~Approval of WCSEG Cooperative November 2022 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report~~
- ~~Approval of WCSEG Cooperative November 2022 Financial Reports~~
- ASR/ASM and Fitness Club Job Descriptions

Steve Harkess motioned to approve the above referenced consent items, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Carson Breed, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman
Motion Passed.

12. Approval to Go Out To Bid On Work For RGS Kitchen

Scott Robinson motioned to go out to bid to update RGS kitchen, seconded by Carson Breed.

All in favor, 7 ayes. Motion Passed.

13. Approval of SMMS Camera Upgrade

Approval is sought for the upgrades to the SMMS camera system in the amount of \$24,992.00 per the quote from Omni Technologies.

Mike Plourde motioned to approve the quote from Omni Technologies in the amount of \$24,992.00 for SMMS camera upgrades, seconded by Steve Harkess.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen
Motion Passed.

14. Approve To Purchase and Support for Installation of 24 VAV boxes for SMMS HVAC

Approval is sought for the purchase/support installation of 24 VAV boxes for SMMS HVAC from Honeywell International.

Carson Breed motioned to approve the quote from Honeywell International in the amount of \$50,433.30 for the purchase and support for installation of 24 VAV boxes for SMMS HVAC, seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

Roll Call: Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman, Mike Plourde, Steve Harkess, Carson Breed, Cynthia Driggers
Motion Passed.

15. Approval of SMMS 10 yr Life Safety Survey and Use of Life Safety Funds

Scott Robinson motioned to approve the SMMS 10 year Life Safety Survey and Use of Life Safety Funds for needed repairs, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson
Motion Passed.

16. Approval of CD Rates

Approval is sought to invest 5.5 million in a 6 month CD at no less than 4.25% ARP.

Steve Harkess approved investing 5.5 million in a 6 month CD at no less than 4.25% ARP, seconded by Mike Plourde.

Roll Call: Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman, Mike Plourde, Steve Harkess, Carson Breed, Cynthia Driggers
Motion Passed.

17. Approval of the Purchase of 177 Chromebooks

Approval is sought for the purchase of 177 Chromebooks from SHI, Inc., per their quote in the amount of \$53,225.00.

Kelsey Lueshen motioned to approve the quote from SHI, Inc., in the amount of \$53,225.00 for the purchase of 177 Chromebooks, seconded by Steve Harkess.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Carson Breed, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman
Motion Passed.

18. New Business

- Canceled committee of the whole meeting that was scheduled for January 4, 2023.

19. Superintendent's Report

- **Triple I**
Mr. Terry reported to the BOE that he attended several legislative sessions while at Triple I in Chicago. The State of Illinois is reporting that finances are doing well and that the EBF will be fully funded for FY24. Mr. Robinson updated the Board regarding the Delegate Assembly.
- **Property Tax Relief Grant**
Mr. Terry reported that he has filed for the Property Tax Relief Grant. He advised the BOE that it is highly unlikely that the district will receive any funds from this grant since the district is listed low on the list.
- **PRESS Release**
Mr. Terry advised the BOE that PRESS has released policy revisions. The committee will meet after the winter break to go through the changes that will need to be made and a first reading will happen at January's BOE meeting.
- **FOIA**
Mr. Terry advised the BOE that he received a FOIA request from Local Labs regarding the BOE members.

20. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report
December 14, 2022

1. **Kindyl Elnyre**
 - i. There is nothing like being in an elementary school the week before the holidays! Our students are immersed in engaging events: Grinch Day activities, Polar Express experiences, Christmas celebrations around the world, kindness challenges, winter concerts, Santa visits, elf sightings, Williams Tree Farm field trips and spirit days! We wish you and your family the same Joy!
 - ii. Congratulations to our 2022/2023 yearbook cover winners, Amber (2nd GR-Mrs. Rollinson) and Eric (2nd GR-Mrs. Engelsen)!
2. **Erin Hauser**
 - i. Enjoying her time with Molly! Erin will return in January 2023.

WPES Administrative Report

1. **Forsythe**
 - a. Our Whitman Post Choir, as well as our 3rd graders and 5th graders, put on a couple of fantastic performances last week! Thank you to WPES Choir Director, Ms. Ballard, and our music teacher, Mr. Newman, for getting our kiddos ready for these shows. These performances made for a couple of entertaining evenings!
 - b. WPES iReady Challenge: Goal that focused on their personalized learning lessons were met so PJ day w/ popcorn & a movie on the Monday we return from break!
 - c. Wimpy's Fund: Thank you to our Wimpy's Committee, Christie Miklas, Paige VanSistine, Amy Bigwood, and Laura Brooks for organizing a fun spirit week, successful candy cane sales, and coordinating all of our Wimpy's shoppers! A shout out to our 5th grade students and teachers who helped with the sales during lunch times - we raised \$2,177 in just two days of candy cane sales!
 - d. PTO Updates

- i. Holiday Shoppe was a hit! Thank you to Cindy Zeiter, the NJHS volunteers, the Hononegah girl's basketball team, and all of the helpers for putting together such a fun Saturday morning for our students.
- ii. Elf Selfies have been a hit this week! Check out the Padlet to see all the smiling faces each day at each of our schools. Thank you to Sarah Sandoval for organizing this and for the BOE for joining our PTO to add this festive fun in the days leading up to winter break!

2. **Bonne**

- a. Merry Christmas! (Home with a sick kid.)

SMMS Administrative Report

3. **Autumn Czizek**

- The SMMS Band put on a wonderful performance last week for their December concert. Thank you to Mr. McMillan and our band students for an amazing show. They have put so much time and effort into their instruments and working together as a team! They did a great job!
- Thank you to Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Way, Mrs. Balandis and Mrs. Heckman for organizing our Wimpy's fundraising this year. We had a great turn out for candy cane sales and dress up days that ended with "Anything But a Backpack Day" where students were able to participate by carrying their books in anything except a backpack. We had a lot of creative items that doubled as backpacks last Friday. It was a fun day!

21. Members' Comments

Cynthia Driggers and Mary Newman commented on the fun that had when they were judging decorated doors at SMMS. Mike Plourde thanked the Administrators for all of the events that have taken place this year for students and families.

22. Adjournment

Carson Breed to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm, seconded by Cynthia Driggers.


Cynthia Driggers, President


Mary Newman, Secretary