

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140
Board of Education Meeting
September 21, 2022

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Cynthia Driggers, Mary Newman, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson

Absent: Carson Breed

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kim Garst, Jen Bryant, Laura Lueshen, Kindyl Etnyre, Megan Forsythe, Justin Bonne, Autumn Czizek, DJ Nosbisch, Faith Fandel, Jenna Arends, Taylor Gruenberg, McKenzie Palmeri, Amanda Mathews, Brooklyn Earlywine, Amy Selover, Brianna Heitz, Brianna Meyer, Jamise Roberts, Olivia Spera, Lori Dittmar

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

The following discussion is added to Executive Session:

- Student discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9))

5. Comments from the Community

None

6. Correspondence

- 1-In schools suspension at WPES
- 9-In school suspensions at SMMS
- 2-Out of school suspensions at SMMS

7. RSD#140 Budget Hearing

Cynthia Driggers opened the public hearing for the RSD#140 Budget hearing at 6:01 pm. Information detailing the 2023 budget was published in the Beloit Daily News. There was no public comment. Cynthia Driggers closed the public hearing at 6:02 pm.

8. RSD#140 Budget Approval

Approval is recommended for the FY23 RSD#140 Budget.

Scott Robinson motioned to adopt FY23 RSD#140 Budget, seconded by Steve Harkess.

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

9. Introduction of New Teachers

RTA Co-Presidents, Laura Lueshen and Jen Bryant introduced the following new hire teachers to the BOE while playing an interactive game of two truths and a lie:

Faith Fandel, Jenna Arends, Taylor Gruenberg, McKenzie Palmeri, Amanda Mathews, Brooklyn Earlywine, Amy Selover, Brianna Heitz, Brianna Meyer, Jamise Roberts, Olivia Spera. Dalton Holcomb, Jessica Krause, Erinn Holloway and Carol Rowland were unable to attend.

10. Executive Session

- discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1))
- Student discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9))

Scott Robinson motioned into Executive Session at 6:10 pm, seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

11. Approval of Personnel

August

Certified New Hire

Amanda Mathews, 5th Grade Teacher @WPES, Effective 2022-2023 SY

Non-Certified New Hires

Kyle Lane, Technology Specialist, Effective 7/26/2022

Anna Yeager, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective 8/15/2022

Haylee Smith, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective 8/15/2022

Tanya Davidson, EC Para @RGS, Effective 8/15/2022

Emily Huddleston, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective 8/15/2022

Lindy Martens, EC Para @RGS, Effective 8/15/2022

Rachel Hanson, Ec Para @RGS, Effective 8/15/2022

Danyale Coney, 1:1 Para @SMMS, Effective 8/22/2022
Natalie Neal, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective 9/6/2022
Hannah Mayton, SPED 1:1/Classroom Para @WPES

Summer School Resignation

Emily Davis, Para, Found FT Position

Non-Certified Resignation

Samantha Kimmey, Para @SMMS, Effective 8/12/2022
Amanda Pfeifer, Classroom/1:1 Para @WPES, Effective 8/30/2022

Stipend Resignation

Beth Devries, ½ Peer Support Advisor, Effective 7/27/2022

Stipend New Hire

Heather Walker, 7th Grade VB Coach, Effective 2022-2023 SY
Olivia Spera, 8th Grade Lunch Duty, Split w/D. Kelly, Effective 2022-2023 SY
Luke McMillan, Peer Support Co-Advisor (w/Grimes), Effective 2022-2023 SY

September

Non-Certified Resignation

Kyla Chapman-Neal, Library Assistant, Effective 10/27/2022
Andria Treece, Food Service, Effective 9/23/2022

Non-Certified New Hire

Traci Schultz, RGS Food Service, Effective 9/26/2022
Marilyn Cramp, SMMS Food Service, Effective 9/26/2022
Edward Sundstedt, PT Delivery Driver/Light Maintenance, Effective 9/19/2022

Mike Plourde motioned to approve 1 Certified New Hires, 13 Non-Certified New Hires, 1-Summer School Resignation, 4 Non-Certified Resignations, 1 Stipend Resignation and 1 Stipend New Hire, seconded by Steve Harkess.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen

Motion Passed.

12. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Financials: Approval of RSD #140 September 2022 bills, Approval of August 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 August 24, 2022 BOE Minutes
- Approval of September 7, 2022 COW Minutes
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative August 2022 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative August 2022 Financial Reports

Mary Newman motioned to approve the above referenced consent items, seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

Roll Call: Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman, Mike Plourde, Steve Harkess, Cynthia Driggers

Motion Passed.

13. Approval of the Quote from Area Mechanical For The Installation of a Commercial Dishwasher at WPES

Approval is requested for the quote from Area Mechanical for the installation of the dishwasher at WPES in the amount of \$21,877.17.

Scott Robinson motioned to approve the quote from Area Mechanical in the amount of \$21,877.17 for construction and installation of a dishwasher at WPES, seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen

Motion Passed.

14. Approval of the Quote from Buckeye Power Sales for the Repair/Maintenance of the Generator at SMMS

Approval is sought for the quote from Buckeye Power Sales for the repair of the generator at SMMS in the amount of \$13,811.17.

Scott Robinson motioned to approve the quote from Buckeye Power Sales in the amount of \$13,811.17 for the repair/maintenance of the generator at SMMS, seconded by Kelsey Lueshen.

Roll Call: Kelsey Lueshen, Scott Robinson, Mary Newman, Mike Plourde, Steve Harkess, Cynthia Driggers

Motion Passed.

15. First Reading of Policy Changes

- 2:230 Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board
- 5:80 Court Duty
- 6:60 Curriculum Content
- 6:80 Teaching About Controversial Issues
- 6:290 Homework
- 7:270 Administering Medicine to Students
- 7:285 Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program

Mr. Terry advised the BOE that there was a small policy packet of changes this time around. Scott Robinson and Glenn Terry discussed the different policies listed above the changes that were recommended. Mr. Terry advised the BOE that there will be further discussion at the October Committee of the Whole meeting and the second reading and approval will be at the October BOE meeting.

16. New Business

None

17. Superintendent's Report

- IASA Conference
Mr. Terry advised the BOE that he will be attending the annual IASA Conference on September 28-30th. He will report how the conference went at the October Committee of the Whole meeting.
- Bond Sale
Mr. Terry advised the BOE that the bond sale was taking place on September 22, 2022 at 3pm.

Mr. Terry also advised the BOE that information from IASB for delegate nominations will be coming soon.

18. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report

September 21, 2022

1. Kindyl Etyre
 - i. Thank you to our PTO, NJHS volunteers, Mrs. Forsythe, Nancy GeRue, Sarah Sandoval, Mary Miller, Lyndsey Hansas and Lindsey Lancaster for organizing, advertising and working at our RGS movie night! It was a hit!
 - ii. Today was full of smiles at RGS! We love seeing the staff and students so excited about school pictures.
2. Erin Hauser
 - i. We are beyond excited that the Rockton Fire Department will be visiting RGS on October 6th and 14th. Firefighters will give a presentation and students will be able to look inside a firetruck. They will also receive hats and goodie bags. We are looking forward to having this tradition back!
 - ii. We are thrilled for our upcoming field trips this fall! First grade is heading to Cody's Farm on October 4th and 5th! This is a new field trip - we can't wait to hear how it goes! Second grade is heading to Severson Dells and Kindergarten will also be enjoying a trip to the pumpkin patch!

WPES Administrative Report

I. Forsythe

- a. WPES Fitness Club (formally known as Running Club) began last week! We have 84 - 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade students spending their Mondays & Wednesdays after school exercising together around the RGS/WPES campus. Thank you to our coaches - Taylor Jacobi, Amy Bigwood, and Andrea Leitner for rebranding the club to promote more fitness opportunities and excitement for our WPES students!
- b. PTO
 - i. Thank you for all the support from our community with this year's mum sale. We sold OVER our allotted limit but made it all work. A special thanks to Alex Backus and our volunteers for all their time and efforts to make this fundraiser a success!

- ii. Spirit Days begin with this Friday's Purple & Gold Day. Our Rockton PTO will promote a monthly spirit day this year with grade level contests for participation.

2. **Bonne**

- a. Our After School Reading and After School Math club began yesterday and will run most Tuesdays and Thursdays until December 15th. Thanks to all of our teachers who stepped up to provide this intervention to our students. (3rd ASR-Cari Benkovich Kathy Sipe, ASM-Taylor Williams, 4th ASR-Carol Rowland, ASM-Brianna Meyer, 5th ASR-Amanda Mathews, ASM-Megan Genens, Kristin Fish)
- b. WPES Fall Rec Nights will take place over the next month with a separate date for each grade level. These will be hosted at SMMS and are a great fundraising opportunity. All money raised will go the PTO to help reach our playground fundraising goal.

SMMS Administrative Report

1. Autumn Czizek
- SMMS Dance
 - Stacey and library
2. DJ Nösbisch
- ALICE Drill
 - Athletics


19. **Members' Comments**

Mary Newman thanked the Administrators and the teachers for donating their time to bringing rec nights/ dances and parents back into the classrooms possible.

20. **Adjournment**

Scott Robinson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm, seconded by Steve Harkess.


Cynthia Driggers, President


Mary Newmarr, Secretary