

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held April 25, 2018

The Board of Education
Rockton School District No. 140

1. Call to Order

President Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Chad Papke, Stacey Heiar, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors

Absent: Josh Houghton

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Sue Miller, Kim Garst, Kindyl Etnyre, Matt Roer, Susan Sherbon, Dan Baumgartner, Gina Tuula

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Community

Alan Moring who has twins at SMMS commented on the wonderful Upmann Woods trip. He went on to thank everyone involved and especially the teachers for providing the kids with this great opportunity.

5. Quiz Bowl

The SMMS Quiz Bowl team was unable to attend the meeting.

- 6.** Shawn Connors motioned into Executive Session 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 Chad Papke.

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, Stacey Heiar, Chad Papke

Brett Lundsten moved to return to open session at 8:20pm, second by Stacey Heiar

Roll Call: Chad Papke, Stacey Heiar, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors

7. Student Disciplinary Matter Regarding Student No. 20590

This matter was resolved prior to the Board meeting.

8. Action on Items Arising out of Closed Session

Shawn Connors motioned to Approve the following Personnel, and was seconded by Chad Papke.

8.1 Approval of Personnel

CERTIFIED STAFF

Bryan Collins (Resign)- Lunchroom Supervision

Erin Hauser (Transfer)-Special Ed teacher to 1st Grade Teacher

Ashley Jenkins (Resign)-3rd grade teacher

Taylor Lewis (Hire)-3rd Grade teacher

Lindsay Campbell (Transfer)-Kindergarten to 1st Grade Teacher

Erin Hauser (Hire)- 7th Grade girls basketball coach effective FY19

NON-CERTIFIED STAFF

Leslie Keehn (Resign)-Pre-K para effective May 24, 2018

Brenda Herron (Hire)-Food Service SMMS Effective 4/16/2018

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Chad Papke, Stacey Heiar, Katie Littlefield

8.2 Approval of March 21, Regular Closed Minutes

Brett Lundsten motioned to approve the March 21, 2018 Regular Closed Minutes and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Stacey Heiar.

All in favor 6 ayes, Motion passed

8.3 Approval of April 11, 2018, C.O.W. Closed Minutes

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the April 11, 2018 C.O.W. Closed Minutes and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Chad Papke.

All in favor 6 ayes, Motion passed

9. Correspondence

- 9 letters-In-School Suspension
- 4 letters-Out of School Suspension
- Thank you card from Pam Cushing for the flower arrangement sent after her surgery.
- Thank you card from Molly Lengjak for the plant sent after her mother's passing.
- Thank you card from Kristin Carroll and Beth DeVries for the approval of additional social work services for the District.

10. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Approval of RSD #140 April bills, April payroll, April's treasurer's report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative March Financial Report

- Approval of March 14 Committee of the Whole Minutes and March 21, 2018 Open Session Minutes, April 11, 2018 Committee of the Whole Minutes, April 12, 2018 Special Purpose Meeting Minutes

Gail Johnson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Brett Lundsten.

Roll Call: Chad Papke, Stacey Heiar, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors

11. Enrollment Review and Potential Additional Staffing

Gail Johnson motion to approve the creation of an additional section of 4th grade, seconded by Stacey Heiar.

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, Stacey Heiar, Chad Papke

12. Request Approval of Technology Fee

Mr. Terry is recommending that the Board approve a \$25 technology fee to be included in 18-19 registration. This fee will help pay for expanding student opportunities with technology.

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the \$25.00 technology fee to be included in 18-19 registration, seconded by Chad Papke.

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, Stacey Heiar, Chad Papke

13. Request Approval of District Office and Administrator Salary Increases

Mr. Terry is requesting approval of raises for district office staff and administrators as discussed at the COW meeting and closed session.

Gail Johnson to approve the raises for the district office staff and administrators as discussed in closed session and C.O.W. meeting, seconded by Stacey Heiar.

Roll Call: Chad Papke, Stacey Heiar, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors

14. Parking Lot Project Update

Mr. Terry updated the Board that the construction will not start until after Memorial Day.

15. New Business

Chad Papke brought up the different goals that were formed in the strategic planning meeting. Chad asked if board members had any further thoughts on the goals. Glenn shared how after meeting with administrators some of the items were clarified.

16. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Terry reported that he had received 3 FOIA requests from the following entities:

- FOIA Request from IUOE Local 150
- FOIA Request from the Shriver Center
- FOIA Request from SmartProcure

Mr. Terry also reported that he did speak at the last Asphalt plant hearing at the Winnebago County Planning and Development meeting. He stated that he tried to emphasize that our BOE along with the Rockton Village and Township Boards were opposed. He also gave testimony that we have children who attend the different schools who have respiratory issues and who would be outside during school hours.

Finally, Mr. Terry reported that he and Sue Miller had looked at some companies who are offering some solar possibilities through Rock Energy, which would be at no cost for the District.

17. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report

April 25, 2018

1. PTO

- a. All are invited to Galactic Neon Nite on Friday, May 4 from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM at SMMS. Activities include: dancing, face painting, a treat walk, concession stand and photo opportunities with Chewbacca and a Stormtrooper.
- b. On Wednesday, May 16th, PTO will be honoring all of our volunteers with a sweet treat from Dairyhaus.
- c. Staff Appreciation Week

2. And for the W.I.N.

- a. Lisa Rehfeldt and Cheryl Daubert are rays of sunshine at RGS! We are forever grateful for their service and smiles.
- b. Thank you to Mya and Tom Shook for providing reading support and a 'furry' shoulder for many students to lean on!
- c. Upcoming RGS happenings:
 - i. 05/03: RGS & WPES Art Show 5:30-8 PM
 - ii. 05/04: Kindergarten Field Trip to Camp Winnebago
 - iii. 05/16: 2nd grade visits WPES
 - iv. 05/17: RGS Field Day
 - v. 05/22: 1st Grade Field Trip to Madison Zoo
 - vi. 05/21: SMMS Grad Walk @ RGS and WPES 1:30 PM

WPES Administrative Report

4/25/18

1. Thank you to Laura Benkovich and Kelly Baumgartner for organizing our first ever community book talk! The selected book was *Wishtree* and members who joined can respond to questions and share thoughts about the book on a closed Facebook group. Just another great way to share our love of reading with our kids!
2. We had a very successful Rec Night on Friday the 13th and wanted to thank our Booster Club, as well as all of the parent and teacher volunteers, for donating their time to creating a fun night for our kids.
3. Whitman Post is so fortunate to have two amazing women welcoming all who come through our school doors. Thank you to our wonderful administrative professionals, Donna Hayenga and Kelly Gilliam, for all you do!
4. Hope to see you at some of the upcoming events:
 - a. Fri., April 27th: Golden Apple Banquet (welcome Mr. Tuula on the red carpet at 5:30)
 - b. Wed., May 2nd: Pace Setter Race, 3:15 p.m.
 - c. Thur., May 3rd: RGS/WPES Art Show, 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

d. Mon., May 21st: WPES Field Day

SMMS Administrative Report

April 25, 2018

1. Seventh Grade students had a wonderful time at Upham Woods this year. Thank you to all of the staff for organizing such a great trip for our students! And thank you to all of our parents and staff for chaperoning.
2. Fine Arts Festival is on May 17. Please feel free to join us for an evening of great music and a show of some great student projects!
3. NJHS Induction is taking place this evening. We are inducting 34 new members this evening and are so proud of their accomplishment!
4. Thank you to Jenny Middleton and Tina Bottensek for all of their hard work and dedication to our students, staff and community. We are lucky to have them!

Special Education Administrative Report

3/21/18

1. We celebrated School Social Worker Appreciation Month the first full week of March. In honor of that I would like to recognize Rebecca Scheppman, Kristin Carroll, and Beth DeVries for all they do for our students. They provide counseling for students with and without IEPs, as well as play a major role in our character development programs in each of the buildings. They are the go-to people when students are in a crisis and are a wealth of information when looking for community resources.
2. RGS staff is promoting awareness for Down's Syndrome Awareness Week by wearing t-shirts and mix matched socks. In April, we will light it up blue for Autism Awareness by wearing our autism awareness t's. It's a great time and way to talk with the students about accepting all kinds of differences in our classrooms.
3. We are doing 2 more days of preK screening this week. Thank you to Mrs. Rehfeldt and Mrs. Hubbell for all their hard work contacting parents to set up appointments. Also, thank you to Mr. Keegan Ray for all of the hard work that he has put into this process and to Laura Lueshen for helping with the screening.

18. Comments from the Community

None

19. Members' Comments

Gail Johnson took a moment to thank the Administrators for joining in the Special Purpose Meeting for Strategic Planning which took place on April 12, 2018. She stated that it was a joy to have them be a part of the meeting and found there feedback and ideas to be of great value.

20. Adjournment

Brett Lundsten moved to adjourn at 8:47pm, seconded by Chad Papke. 6 ayes, Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School Music Room on May 23, 2018.