

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140

Board of Education Meeting

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

1. Call to Order

President Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2. Roll Call

Katie Littlefield, Shawn Connors, Josh Houghton, Chad Papke

Absent: Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kim Garst, Tim Ehlers, Mary Newman, Kindyl Etnyre, Megan Forsythe, Autumn Czizek, Matt Roer, Lindy Daniels, Gina Tuula, Gary Kovanda, Megan Gove

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments from the Community

None

5. Appoint Mary Newman

President Katie Littlefield administered the oath of office to newly appointed BOE member Mary Newman, who will serve in place of former BOE member, John Gibbons.

6. Gary Kovanda from Talcott Library Regarding the Referendum

Gary Kovanda and Megan Gove gave a presentation to the BOE regarding the upcoming Talcott Library referendum.

7. Correspondence

~~8. Executive Session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(1), Negotiations (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(2), Pending Litigation (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(11), Student discipline (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(9), Selection of a person to fill a public office (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(3), Other matters relating to individual students (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(10), Lease of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(5), Setting of sale price of real property (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(6), Sale or purchase of securities, investments or investment contracts (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(7) Lawfully closed meeting minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(e)(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(e)(16);~~

9. Approval of Personnel

CERTIFIED POSITIONS

Annette Rohrer- Letter of retirement effective at the end of the 2022 school year.

NON CERTIFIED POSITIONS

Madison Kemp - New Hire - Paraprofessional/SMMS

Dana Gulik - New Hire - Paraprofessional/WPES

Alejandra Van Paseuth/Human Resources Specialist - Resignation

Tori Klingemeyer - New Hire - Track Coach

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the above referenced Personnel, and was seconded by Chad Papke.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Katie Littlefield, Mary Newman, Shawn Connors

10. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Approval of RSD #140 February 2019 bills:\$305,396.21, January 2019 Expenditures, Revenue Report, January 2019 Operating Funds Summary, January 2019 Treasurer's Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative February 2019 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative January 2019 Financial Reports
- Approval of January 23, 2019 BOE Minutes
- Approval of February 13, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- Approval of two donated Toshiba eStudio 306 copiers

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Josh Houghton.

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Katie Littlefield, Mary Newman, Josh Houghton, Chad Papke

11. Strategic Plan Update

Mr. Terry updated the BOE on the District's current strategic plan. He elaborated on the steps being taken to account for the growth within our district. Mr. Terry also informed the BOE of the technology related professional development options that are being offered to staff.

12. E Rate Approval

Mr. Terry is requesting approval of the E Rate grant in the amount of \$48,848.74 as discussed at the February 13, 2019, Committee of the Whole meeting.

Chad Papke moved to approve the E Rate program for \$48,848.74, seconded by Josh Houghton.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman, Shawn Connors, Katie Littlefield

13. Policy Update

The following policies were reviewed and presented in January and are recommended for Board approval:

- 2:80-Board Member Oath and Conduct
- 2:120-Board Member Development
- 4:45-Insufficient Fund Checks and Debt Recovery
- 4:170-Safety
- 5:30-Hiring Process and Criteria

- 5:60-Expenses
- 5:220-Substitute Teachers
- 6:60-Curriculum Content
- 7:70-Attendance and Truancy
- 7:100-Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students
- 7:190-Student Behavior
- 7:260-Exemption from Physical Education
- 7:270-Administering Medicines to Students
- 7:290-Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention
- 7:305-Program for Managing Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the above listed policies, seconded by Chad Papke.

All in favor 5 ayes, Motion passed.

14. Architect Search Update

Katie Littlefield updated the BOE on the results of the architect search. The search was narrowed down to the top three firms, Wold, Cordogan Clark, and Arcon. Wold is the top ranked firm and will be making a presentation to the BOE at the next Committee of the Whole meeting on March 13, 2019.

15. New Business

Katie Littlefield updated the BOE on her conversation with Dave Kurlinkus, BOE President for Hononegah School District regarding Hononegah going 1:1 with technology. Mrs. Littlefield stated that more conversations would be happening in the future.

16. Superintendent's Report

- a. Mr. Terry updated the BOE on the quarterly FOIA request from Smart Procure.
- b. Postings have begun for certified positions for the 19-20 school year.
- c. Mr. Terry and the BOE discussed the current TIF areas, (Downtown, Wagon Wheel area and the area by ChemTool) and the length of time currently left in each TIF.

17. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report

February 27, 2019

1. PTO

- a. Parent Night Mixer @ Louie's Tap House (hors d'Oeuvres & pop/water provided)- Come learn about the PTO and meet the parents of RSD #140!
- b. All Box Tops are due March 1st.
- c. Order your Papa John's pizza on 02/28/2019!

2. Why is RGS our Happy Place?

- a. You are welcome to attend the following RGS Family Events: STEM Family Night (March 6) & RGS Scoopie Night (March 11).
- b. Shout out to Mrs. Ballard and the first grade students for entertaining us with *Cool Tunes* on February 18th!
- c. Thank you to Mrs. Lisa Rehfeldt & Mrs. Hubbell for organizing another successful preschool screening & kindergarten registration event!

WPES Administrative Report

1. Thank you to Susan Sherbon for sending Jenna Parrish and I to the Council for Exceptional Children Conference in Indianapolis at the end of January. It really

supported our inclusive practices with special education and gave us a lot of great ideas to bring back to Rockton.

2. Next week is Read Across America Week as RGS and WPES teachers have planned events throughout the coming week for our students to celebrate our love of reading.
3. Thank you to Amy Meier and Cari Benkovich for coordinating a trip for Rockton staff to see Hamilton in Chicago this past weekend. It's always great to spend time together outside of the school day!

SMMS Administrative Report–February 27, 2019

1. Girls basketball conference tournament results
2. Thank you to Mrs. Waugh and the student council for hosting our Valentine's dance. The dance was a success and students had a great time.
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4. Thank you to Lindy Daniels for setting up some great days for teachers to spend with Ben Sondgeroth about the implementation of technology in the classroom!
5. Mrs. Taylor and the incubator students revealed their products last Monday during their reveal night. The students had some great ideas this trimester and presented some great products!
6. Last Wednesday, we hosted a STEM Escape Room night where students were challenged with STEM scenarios in classrooms that were set up as escape rooms. We had over a 100 students participate!

18. Members' Comments

The BOE welcomed Mary Newman to the board.

19. Adjournment

Josh Houghton moved to adjourn at 7:11pm, seconded by Chad Papke. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:11pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School Music Room on March 20, 2019.

Katie Littlefield

Josh Houghton