

Minutes of Regular Meeting Held January 23, 2013

The Board of Education Rockton School District #140

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Rockton School District No.140 was held on January 23, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Rockton Grade School Cafeteria, 1050 East Union Street, Rockton, IL 61072.

1. **Call to Order** by President Brenda Warren at 6:03 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
Present: Chanice Michowski, Bill Midgett, Laura Neece, Sarah Praneis, Larry Schubert, Brenda Warren.

Jim Meason arrived at 6:09 p.m.

Others present: Superintendent Mike Greenlee, Principals Glenn Terry, Scott Rollinson, Kindyl Etnyre, Assistant Principal Shaun Newmes and various other guests.

3. Mr. Schubert moved to go into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. 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), and Lawfully Closed Meeting Minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) Seconded by Mrs. Neece.

Roll call, all ayes, motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Schubert moved to return to open session at 6:22 p.m. Second by Mrs. Praneis. All ayes, Motion carried 7-0.

4. **Pledge of Allegiance**
5. **Correspondence**
 - Thank you card from Joyce Fitzsimmons for the flower arrangement in honor of her father, Charles Jones.
 - Thank you card from Mike Greenlee for the cookie bouquet sent after he had surgery.
 - Three letters of in-school suspension and one letter of out-of-school suspension.

6. **Comments from the Community:**

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting to audience input, seconded by Mrs. Praneis. No one wished to address the Board. Regular Session resumed.

7. **FY13 Amended Budget**

The district amended budget hearing was called to order at 6:25 p.m. by the President Mrs. Warren. Mrs. Warren moved to open the meeting for public input, seconded by Mrs. Michowski, carried unanimously. No one wished to address the board, so Mrs. Warren moved to close the budget hearing. Superintendent Greenlee announced the amended budget information reflected updated revenues, expenditures and anticipated balances for FY13. The amended budget had been placed on display for public review since December 20, 2012.

Mr. Schubert moved to approve the 2012-2013 Amended Budget as presented, seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

Mr. Schubert, Mr. Meason, Mr. Midgett, Mrs. Neece, Mrs. Praneis, Mrs. Michowski and Mrs. Warren. - All ayes, motion carried 7-0.

8. **PMA Presentation**

Greg Kubitz from PMA presented a power point presentation of the district's financial history and trends, current budget figures, as well as financial projections for the next several years. Mr. Kubitz also showed the board a few scenarios of how the budget would change if you changed assumptions.

9. **Consent Items**

Mrs. Warren moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

Items included:

1. December 19, 2012 regular meeting minutes
- 2 January bills, February Payroll, December treasurer's report
3. Winnebago county Special Education Cooperative Action

Schubert, Neece Meason, Praneis, Michowski, Midgett, Warren – All ayes, Motion carried 7-0.

10. **Personnel**

A motion was made by Mrs. Warren, seconded by Mrs. Neece to approve the following employments for the 2012-13 school year

Non Certified - Deb Vischulis – 2 Hour ELL Teacher Asst. (Temporary) - RGS

Neece, Meason, Schubert, Praneis, Michowski, Midgett, Warren – All ayes, Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Mrs. Warren, seconded by Mrs. Praneis to approve the following resignation

Sue Walsh– SMMS Choir

All ayes, Motion approved.

11. **Approval of the Winnebago County Special Education Director's Contract**

Kim Moore will be the new Special Education Director for the COOP. Kim comes to us from North Boone and she previously worked in the COOP as well. I am recommending the board approve the contract for the new director.

A motion was made by Mr. Midgett, seconded by Mr. Schubert to approve the following employment for the Winnebago County School Education Cooperative for the FY2014 school year.

Kim Moore, Special Education Coop Director

Schubert, Neece Meason, Praneis, Michowski, Midgett, Warren – All ayes, Motion carried 7-0.

12. **Closed Session Minutes**

Mrs. Warren moved to approve the December 19, 2012 regular closed session minutes, January 9, 2013 special purpose closed session minutes, January 16, 2013 special purpose closed session minutes. December 19, 2012 and January 16, 2013 minutes can be opened and January 9, 2013 minutes are to remain closed, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

Neece, Schubert, Meason, Praneis, Michowski, Midgett, Warren – All ayes Motion carried 7-0.

13. **Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session**

None

14. **Quarterly Investment Review**

The quarterly investment report of the district's investment portfolio was provided.

Board members are requested to review the investment performance by appropriate and creditable standards for the investment type. Mr. Greenlee will meet with PMA to review their investment strategies.

15. **Superintendents Report**

- REEF is hosting the fifth annual 'Trivia Night' on February 2, 2013 at SMMS as a fundraiser. REEF has arranged for an enjoyable evening of family fun that will hopefully generate funds to support their valuable teacher grant program.
- Bus Bids are due the 25th. The superintendents will get together on Jan. 28th to open them. They will then spend time to analyze them and bring back a recommendation in February or March.
- A sample calendar has been given to staff. Superintendent Greenlee would like staff input on using Feb 21st or 28th as emergency days instead of tacking them on at the end of the school year.

16. **Administrative Reports**

A. Mr. Terry

- Team planning days introduced Tri State Rubrics.
- Implemented Singapore Math Strategies.
- Announced upcoming 1st grade concert on February 12, 2013

A. Mr. Rollinson

- Thanked Lindy Daniels for putting on a successful SIP day.
- WPES would also be incorporating Singapore Math in their curriculum.
- Wanted to thank Zach Newman for raising \$1500 in fun raiser

C. Mr. Newmes

- Valentine's Day dance will be a formal dance held on February 8, 2013 from 6-8 p.m.
- This week was No Name Calling week at SMMS.
- The play Seussical Jr. will be Feb 8th for the student and Feb 9th open to the public at South Beloit High School.

D. Mrs. Etnyre

- Wanted to thank Sue Walsh for job well done with the choir and that Sue would also be going with the student to see Music Man
- Announced 8th Grade orientation on 1-28-13 at HHS at 7:00p.m.
- Movie night at SMMS for RGS will be on February 15, 2013
- Announced the first competition for Science Olympiad and their next competition will be March 14th.
- This semester SMMS has a student teacher, Ashley McCarty in their building.

16. **Comments from the Community**

Mrs. Warren moved to suspend the regular order of business and open the meeting for audience input, seconded by Mrs. Neece.

Mark Donaldson wanted to thank the principals for all their hard work to help the teachers this year with the increase class sizes.

17. **Members' Comments:**

Mr. Midgett proposed an idea to see if the board would be interested in getting a booth at RoRo to enhance our communication with the public. Estimated cost would be \$200 to \$400. They would get donations to cover most of the cost. Would use info from the PMA reports for pamphlets that would be handed out at RoRo

Mrs. Warren publicly thanked Mr. Midgett and Mrs. Johnson for all their time and hard work to handle the district's public retail

18. Mrs. Warren moved to go into Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. 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), and Lawfully Closed Meeting Minutes (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) Seconded by Mrs. Neece.

Midgett, Neece, Praneis, Michowski, Schubert, Meason, Warren – All ayes, Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Schubert moved to return to open session at 8:46 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

Michowski, Meason, Midgett, Neece, Praneis, Schubert, Warren – All ayes Motion carried 7-0.

19. **Adjournment**

Mr. Midgett moved to adjourn, second by Mrs. Michowski - 7 ayes Motion carried.

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held at the Rockton Grade School Library on Wednesday, February, 27, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Approved date: February 27, 2013

President: _____

Secretary: _____