

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140

Board of Education Meeting

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Katie Littlefield, Shawn Connors, Chad Papke, Brett Lundsten, Josh Houghton, Mary Newman, Cynthia Driggers
Others Present: Glenn Terry, Tim Ehlers, Lindy Daniels, Gina Tuula, Kelly Baumgartner, Cheryl Butler

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

Strike #8

5. Comments from the Community

None

6. Correspondence

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

7. Executive Session

Brett Lundsten motioned into Executive Session at 6:02pm, 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 Mary Newman.

~~8. Action On Items Arising Out Of Closed Session~~

9. Policy Report

First Reading of the Following Policies:

- 4:80 Accounting and Audits
- 4:90 Activity Funds
- 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program
- 7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students
- 7:140 Search and Seizure
- 7:300 Extracurricular Athletics

10. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Approval of Personnel
 - Certified Employment Changes
 - Mindi Clark , WPES STEM, expanded from 63% to 100%
 - Non-Certified New Hire
 - Andrea Stevenson, 5th Grade SPED Paraprofessional, Effective 1/5/2021
 - Christena Rollins, Custodian @ SMMS, Effective 2/1/2021
 - Non-Certified Resignation
 - William West, Custodian @SMMS, Effective 1/15/2021
- Approval of RSD #140 January 2021 bills \$506,612.41, December 2020 Payroll Liabilities \$599,719.15, December Activity Expenditures \$6,887.80, December Revenue Report, December Operating Funds Summary, December 2020 Treasurer's Report
- Approval of December 16, 2020, 2020 BOE Minutes
- Approval of January 6, 2021 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- Approval of January 13, 2021 Special Purpose Minutes

- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative December 2020 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative December 2020 Financial Reports
- Approval of Nurse PEL MOU
- Approval of Sarah Moore's Director Employment Agreement with the Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the above referenced consent agenda, seconded by Mary Newman

Roll Call: Mary Newman, Chad Papke, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Josh Houghton, Shawn Connors, Cynthia Driggers

Motion passed.

11. Approval To Go Out To Bid For Parking Lot Work At Both Campuses

Brett Lundsten motioned to approve going out to bid for parking lot work to be completed at both campuses, seconded by Chad Papke.

All in favor, 7 ayes. Motion passed.

12. Approval of 3 Year Extension to the RTA Collective Bargaining Agreement

Katie Littlefield motioned to approve the three (3) year RTA Collective Bargaining Agreement beginning 2021-2022 school year, seconded by Brett Lundsten.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers-yes, Shawn Connors-no, Chad Papke-no, Brett Lundsten-yes, Mary Newman-yes, Josh Houghton-no, Katie Littlefield-yes

4-yes 3-no, Motion passed.

13. Gail Johnson's Memorial

Kelly Baumgartner and Cheryl Butler had a discussion with the BOE regarding ideas on creating "Gail's Trail", an interactive storywalk to honor Gail Johnson's memory. There was discussion regarding the location of the storywalk, and the logistics of how it would work. Mrs. Baumgartner stated that they would roll out a "pilot" of the storywalk in the spring. This would give them a chance to see how the students react and use the storywalk. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the upkeep and maintenance of this project. Mr. Terry informed the BOE that he has had a discussion with Mr. Johnson, Gail's husband regarding the ideas surrounding the storywalk and he is in favor of them all. It was decided that Mrs. Baumgartner and Mrs. Butler will update the BOE periodically leading up to the "pilot" and then thereafter once the direction of the storywalk has been decided.

14. COVID

Mr. Terry reported to the BOE that there were zero positive cases the prior week, and one case this week. He also advised the BOE that per his conversation with Dr. Martell, the vaccine would be available to teachers as early as February. There has been talks of having a vaccination site located at a central location for the Hononegah Nations group.

15. New Business

- Graduation/Honors Night
Mr. Terry informed the BOE that Autumn Czizek and Jacqui Thompson are working on how honors night will work and how graduation will look.
- Future Graduations
Mr. Terry and the BOE had a brief discussion regarding the future of an actual 8th grade graduation ceremony.

16. Superintendent's Report

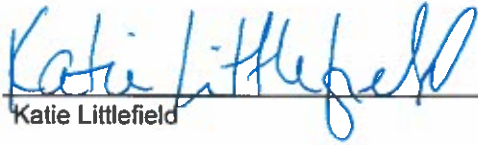
- Calendar 2021-2022
Mr. Terry reminded the BOE that they have already approved the 2021-2022 calendar. However, there could be changes once we get more guidance from the state regarding the 21-22 school year..
- Copier Contract
Mr. Terry informed the BOE that he has received two proposals and is anticipating a third from companies regarding a new copier contract.
- Facility Tax
The BOE and Mr. Terry had a brief discussion regarding the proposed facility tax being an option for the district since the Rockford School District is now taking a more serious look at it.

17. **Members' Comments**

Katie Littlefield thanked the RTA for the way negotiations were handled.

18. **Adjournment**

Brett Lundsten moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm, seconded by Mary Newman.


Katie Littlefield


Mary Newman

