

**ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140**

**Board of Education**

**Wednesday, July 31, 2019**

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**1. Call to Order**

President Littlefield called the meeting to order at 6:01pm

**2. Roll Call**

Katie Littlefield, Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman

Absent: Brett Lundsten

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Gina Tuula, Dan Kritta from Wold

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda**

- 11.5 is being eliminated. No action will be taken on this.

**5. Comments from the Community**

None

**6. WCSEC Budget Hearing**

Katie Littlefield opened the public hearing for the WCSEC Budget Hearing at 6:02 pm.

Information detailing the 2020 budget was published in the Herald in June. There was no public comment.

Katie Littlefield closed the public hearing at 6:03 pm. Shawn Connors moved to adopt the 2020 Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative budget presented, seconded by Gail Johnson.

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

**7. Hearing for Calendar Waiver**

Katie Littlefield opened the public hearing for the Waiver Application for the Modification of the School Code at 6:03pm. Said modification would allow the district to hold two full days of School Improvement in-service days, rather than four half-day school improvement and in-service days. There was no public comment.

Katie Littlefield closed the public hearing at 6:03 pm. Mary Newman moved to approve the Waiver Application for Modification of the School Code, seconded by Shawn Connors.

All in favor 6 ayes. Waiver Approved.

**8. Presentation by Wold Architects**

Dan Kritta from Wold presented the results from the Facility Utilization Study they conducted. This included estimated enrollment capacity at each building when considering classroom space as well as gym, library, cafeteria, and hallway spaces.

**9. Correspondence**

No Correspondence

10. Chad Papke motioned into **Executive Session** at 6:45pm 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 Shawn Connors.

Gail Johnson moved to return to open session at 7:16pm, seconded by Chad Papke.

## 11. **Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session**

### 11.1 Approval of Personnel

#### **Certified New Hire**

Justin Bonne, Assistant Principal @WPES, Effective with the 19-20 SY

Jessica Robinson, EC SPED Teacher @RGS, Effective with the 19-20 SY

Sarah Padhye, 7th Grade English/Social Studies Teacher @SMMS, Effective with the 19-20 SY

#### **Certified Transfer**

Erin Hauser, Assistant Principal @RGS, Effective with the 19-20 SY

#### **Certified Resignation**

Susan Sherbon, Special Ed Administrator, Resignation end of 18-19 SY

Craig Carter, 7th Grade English/SS Teacher, Resignation end of 18-19 SY

#### **Non-Certified New Hires**

Kristi Luna, 1:1 Paraprofessional @WPES, Effective with the 19-20 SY

Joyce (Lana) Metcalf, Food Service @WPES, Effective with the 19-20 SY

Justin Moriarty, Custodian, Effective 8/5/19

#### **Non-Certified Transfers**

Elaine Maurer, 1:1 Para, RGS to WPES, Effective with the 19-20 SY

#### **Non-Certified Resignation**

Lani Rostamo, Paraprofessional @RGS, Resignation effective 7/24/19

#### **Non-Certified Termination**

Kerry Fleming, Custodian @SMMS on W/C, Terminated effective 7/31/19 due to restrictions

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the above referenced Personnel and was seconded by Josh Houghton.

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

### 11.2 Approval of April 24, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the April 24, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes, and recommend they are to remain closed, seconded by Shawn Connors.

All in favor 6 ayes, motion passed.

### 11.3 Approval of May 29, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes

Gail Johnson motioned to approve the May 29, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes, and recommend they are to remain closed, seconded by Mary Newman.

All in favor 6 ayes, motion passed.

### 11.4 Approval of July 9, 2019 C.O.W. Closed Session Minutes

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the July 9, 2019 C.O.W. Closed Session Minutes, and recommend they are to remain closed, seconded by Mary Newman.  
All in favor 6 ayes, motion passed.

#### ~~11.5 Approval of Resolution Authorizing District Representative to Bid for Real Estate~~

~~\_\_\_\_\_ made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing District Representative to Bid for Real Estate, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_.~~

~~Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson, Mary Newman, Chad Papke, Josh Houghton, Katie Littlefield~~

## **12. Consent Items**

**Items recommended for the consent agenda are:**

- Approval of RSD #140 July 2019 bills:\$424,972.35, June 2019 Expenditures, June 2019 Revenue Report, June 2019 Operating Funds Summary, June 2019 Treasurer's Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative July 2019 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative June 2019 Financial Reports
- Approval of July 1, 2019 BOE Minutes
- Approval of 2019-2020 Student Handbook
- Approval of 2019-2020 Employee Handbook

Gail Johnson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Shawn Connors.

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

## **13. Policy**

The following policies were presented for a first reading:

- 2:140-Communications To and From the Board
- 2:230-Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board
- 4:30-Revenue and Investments
- 4:110-Transportation
- 5:180-Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity
- 5:330-Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays and Leaves
- 6:15-School Accountability
- 6:340-Student Testing and Assessment Program

## **14. Approval of Bread and Milk Contracts**

Approval was requested on the bid from our bread and milk vendors. This is a joint district agreement involving Hononegah, Kinnikinnick, Prairie Hill, Shirland and South Beloit school districts.

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the bread and milk contracts for Alpha Baking Company and Muller-Pinehurst Dairy, seconded by Chad Papke.

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

## **15. Approval of Pizza Bids**

Approval was requested on the bid from Sam's Ristorante.

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the pizza bid from Sam's Ristorante, seconded by Chad Papke.

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

**16. Approve Superintendent Contract Extension**

Approval was requested for a one year extension to be added to Mr. Terry's contract.

Mary Newman motioned to add a one year extension to Mr. Terry's contract, seconded by Gail Johnson.

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

**17. Approval of Kim Garst for ISC Alternate Representative**

Chad Papke motioned to approve Kim Garst for ISC Alternate Representative, seconded by Shawn Connors.

All in favor 6 ayes, motion passed.

**18. Enrollment Review**

Mr. Terry reported that enrollment for each building had only changed slightly from May. At this point no additional sections are being recommended.

**19. New Business**

- Welcome Back Breakfast @ SMMS on August 19, 2019

**20. Superintendent's Report**

- Mr. Terry reported to the BOE that he had just returned from the Administrative Retreat at Starved Rock. He indicated that he felt it was a successful trip of Administrators including the new Assistant Principals from each building.
- Mr. Terry informed the BOE that Pearson had a security breach. However, he felt that the impact on the District would be minimal.
- Mr. Terry reported that the following had either been started or was close to completion:
  - Courtyard wall at RGS will be completed the week of August 5th;
  - All of the cabinets at SMMS had been installed;
  - The canopy painting at WPES will begin August 8th;
  - N-Trak had completed everything on the punch list and final payment was being made.

**21. Members' Comments**

Gail Johnson shared with the BOE that the church in Shirland is collecting bottle caps for a recycling project. If the church collects enough plastic caps, the caps can be melted down to make a bench.

**22. Adjournment**

Josh Houghton motioned to adjourn at 7:38 pm, seconded by Katie Littlefield. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:38pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School Music Room on August 21, 2019.

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Katie Littlefield

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Mary Newman