

1. Call to Order

President Driggers called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. Roll Call

Cynthia Driggers, Carson Breed, Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Steve Harkess
Others Present: Glenn Terry, Megan Forsythe, Justin Bonne, Kindyl Etnyre, Autumn Czizek,
Jacqui Thompson, Kelsey Lueshen, Mike Plourde

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

None

5. Comments from the Community

None

6. Appointment of New Board Members

President Cynthia Driggers administered the oath of office to newly appointed BOE Members,
Kelsey Lueshen and Mike Plourde

7. Correspondence

8. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Approval of Personnel
 - **Certified New Hire**
Courtney Rohs, English/SS Teacher @SMMS, Effective with 2021-2022 SY
Taylor Rotolo, Speech Language Pathologist, Effective with 2021-2022 SY
 - **Non-Certified New Hire**
 - **Non-Certified Resignation/Retire**
Jenna Arends, Para @SMMS, End of School Year
Wayne Williamson, PT District Custodian/Food Delivery Driver, End of School Year
Joyce Metcalf, Food Service @SMMS, End of School Year
Katarina Parsonage, Title I Para @RGS, End of School Year
Lori Farris, SPED Para @WPES, End of School Year
Clarissa Metz, SPED Para @RGS, End of School Year
Andrea Stevenson, SPED Para @WPES, End of School Year
- Approval of RSD #140 May 2021 bills \$334,984.54, May 2021 Payroll Liabilities \$398,027.87, May Activity Expenditures \$344.56, April Revenue Report, April Operating Funds Summary, April 2021 Treasurer's Report
- Approval of April 21, 2021 BOE Minutes
- Approval of May 5, 2021 COW Minutes
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative April 2021 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative April 2021 Financial Reports
- Approval of PTO fundraisers for the 2021-2022 school year. Board approval is recommended for the fundraising events that have been planned by the PTO.

Carson Breed motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Scott Robinson

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers-aye, Mary Newman-aye, Carson Breed-aye, Scott Robinson-aye, Steve Harkess-aye, Kelsey Lueshen-aye, Mike Plourde-abstain

9. Approval Donation of Scoreboard/Scorer's Table from Booster Club

Carson Breed approved the donation from the Booster Club of a Scoreboard/Scorer's Table, seconded by Mary Newman. All in favor 7 ayes. Motion passed.

10. Approval of SMMS Soffit Work

Tim Ehlers is asking for approval for the removal/repair work to be completed on the soffit/overhang on the loading dock at SMMS.

Cynthia Driggers motioned to approve Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. proposal in the amount of \$24,070.00, seconded by Steve Harkess.

Roll Call: Carson Breed-aye, Scott Robinson-aye, Steve Harkess-aye, Cynthia Driggers-aye, Mary Newman-aye, Kelsey Lueshen-abstain, Mike Plourde-abstain

11. COVID

Mr. Terry reported to the BOE that as of now there are zero positive cases for the week. Mr.

Terry also advised that he has submitted the following items for reimbursement under the Esser II:

- Payment to staff for additional work that needed to be completed over the summer due to prepare for the return to in person learning;
- Hiring of 5 additional paraprofessionals to deal with COVID related restrictions;
- Subscription for GoGuardian;
- More cafeteria tables to allow for social distancing;
- Purchase of an additional server;
- Purchase of additional computers;
- Various HVAC repairs throughout the district;
- The new Chiller at SMMS;
- Control board upgrades/replacements;
- Repairs various technologies;
- Lockers at WPES;
- Edgenuity Curriculum
 - Mr. Terry discussed the pros and cons of the ROE potentially providing remote instruction for the 21-22 school year.
- RGS Specials Schedule
 - Kindyl Etnyre reported to the BOE that currently music, art and library are being taught on a trimester basis. For example, first trimester-kindergarten received music, second trimester-second grade received music and third trimester-first grade received music. Mrs. Etnyre

reported that next year the current 5 day rotation will go to a 6 day rotation, two days for each grade level special with library happening one time per week for all grade levels.

- WPES Specials Schedule
 - Megan Forsythe reported to the BOE that currently students at each grade level are receiving 6 music, 6 art, 6 physical education and 3 library/stem per 15-day rotation with 40 minute classes. Mrs. Forsythe reported that next year specials will be on a 20 day rotation with 7 of each special, as well as a library checkout, each of which will be reduced to 35 minutes. These changes will keep the total number of minutes for all specials the same, while supporting the added number of sections into our schedule.
- Graduation and Honors Night
 - Autumn Czizek and Jacqui Thompson presented to the BOE how graduation and honors night will be held this year due to the restrictions that are in place. There will be an outside graduation walk where students will be assigned a time to be able to walk through. Photo opportunities will be available for families and a stage will be set up for each student to walk across to accept their diploma.
- 21-22 Busing
 - Mr. Terry reported that Hononegah Nations had a meeting with Ladel Cass from First Student regarding adjustments for dealing with pandemic restrictions in 21-22. No changes will be able to be made until the state releases guidance for 21-22
- 21-22 Remote Learners
 - Mr. Terry reported that the State of Illinois is advising that all schools will begin with in person learning for the 2021-2022 school year and that remote learning options will be limited to students that have serious medical conditions. The area superintendents are working with the WCHD to define those circumstances.

12. New Business

None

13. Superintendent's Report

- Triple III Conference
Mr. Terry advised the BOE that the annual Triple III Conference has been announced for November of 2021 and advised the members to consider attending this event.

14. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report

May 19, 2021

1. Kindyl Etnyre
 - a. RGS:

- i. Blues in the School is even cooler when you are outside! Looking forward to our assemblies next week. Thank you to Steve Jones and Wheatbread Johnson for continuing to return to RGS!
- ii. Our 2nd graders will be touring and meeting the lovely 3rd grade staff on June 1st. They are ready!
- iii. RGS would like to share our gratitude with the BOE and the Rockton PTO for taking the time to celebrate all those individuals involved in public education. We felt the appreciation!

2. Erin Hauser

- i. This week, we had our first pandemic Fun Run! From a virtual live stream to all online donations, we made this unique event one to remember! If RGS and WPES raise \$5000 each to help fund our new playgrounds, principals will be camping out on the RGS roof!
- ii. PTO held elections last week and only had one (*) change to their board positions.
 - a. President - Abby Czaja
 - b. Vice-President- Alix Backus
 - c. Secretary - Hillary Fleming
 - d. Treasurer - Tanya Davidson
 - e. Directors of Public Relations - Nancy GeRue & Brittany Welsh*

WPES Administrative Report

1. Megan Forsythe

- a. We are setting up our students for the final iReady Challenges! We have a school wide challenge for the month of May with incentives of celebrations to finish the year set for lunch times on June 2nd. We will also have "the summer six" iReady challenge for students to complete before we return to school (6 lessons of reading & 6 lessons of math) that we worked with teachers to set up these goals.
- b. The passage of time has felt so off as we are unable to hold all of our typical end of year activities in more connected ways (Wax Museum, Pace Setter Race, field day, The Bash, etc) . We're happy to find ways to still add some end of year celebrations as teachers schedule their class picnics for the final days of school, we hold our Fun Run, Mr. D still has students engage in field day activities during PE classes, etc. Thank you to our teachers for continuing to find creative (but still safe) ways to celebrate our year.

2. Justin Bonne

- a. Blues in the Schools is underway at WPES! Steve Jones and Wheatbread Johnson kicked off the first of their outdoor lessons on Monday and Tuesday and had amazing presentations for all of our in-person learners. Next Tuesday, they will hold a virtual performance for our remote classes. They bring such great energy as they tell about the history and influence of blues music and then play interactive songs that get the students and staff dancing and singing along.
- b. Last week we wrapped up our Kids Heart Challenge and had ninety-six students participate in the challenge. These students fundraised a total of just under \$9,500. Mrs. Negri's class took the top spot in Fifth grade, Mrs. Leitner's won 4th, and Mr. Boelte's class raised not only the most in third but the most overall by bringing in over \$1,100.

While we had several students collect generous amounts of money, our top earner was Kaitlin Gerue who raised \$437.67. We are so proud of our students and Mr. Donaldson for having such a successful fundraiser to help raise awareness for heart health.

SMMS Administrative Report

1. Autumn Czizek

- Graduation
- Congratulations to our 2020 NJHS Inductees! New members were inducted during a virtual ceremony on Wednesday, May 12. Thank you to Mrs. Way, Mrs. Lewis and the NJHS officers for organizing the event.

2. Jacqui Thompson

- Last week we finished up all state testing! This week we will also wrap up our Spring iReady diagnostic testing. We'd like to make a shout out to James Hall and Lindy Daniels for helping with both of these processes this year. In a less than ideal year, we appreciate how seamlessly all of the testing went.
- At SMMS we are preparing for a modified field day to close out the school year. Students will still remain in cohorts, but different activities will take place including outdoor PE activities, chalk art, bubbles, a water balloon catch, and a virtual talent show. Additionally, teachers will be presenting students with end of the year awards.

15. Members' Comments

Mary Newman addressed the Administrators stating that they have done an amazing job and thanked them for all their hard work. She also welcomed the new BOE members.

16. Executive Session

17. Adjournment

Steve Harkess moved to adjourn at 7:10 pm, seconded by Mary Newman. All in favor 7 ayes.
Motion Carried.


Cynthia Driggers, President


Mary Newman, Secretary