

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140
ROCKTON, ILLINOIS 61072

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2011 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Rockton School District No. 140 was held on October 25, 2011, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Rockton Grade School Library, 1050 East Union Street, Rockton, IL 61072.

President Mrs. Warren called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

	<u>Meason</u>	<u>Michowski</u>	<u>Midgett</u>	<u>Neece</u>	<u>Praneis</u>	<u>Schubert</u>	<u>Warren</u>
Roll Call	ABS	P	P	P	P	P	P

Others present: Superintendent Mike Greenlee, Principals Glenn Terry, Scott Rollinson, Kindyl Etnyre, Assistant Principals Cheri Fuller, Shaun Newmes, and RGS teacher Marge Guerrero.

Closed Session

Mrs. Michowski moved to enter executive session at 6:16 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. Praneis.

Neece, Praneis, Schubert, Midgett, Michowski, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Mr. Schubert moved to return to open session at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Praneis.
Midgett, Neece, Schubert, Michowski, Praneis, Warren – 6 ayes

FY2011 Audit Report

Auditor Gary Meier, Siepert & Co. LLP, presented a review of the district's audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2011 that ended June 30, 2011.

Mr. Schubert moved to approve the district's audited financial statements for FY11 that ended June 30, 2011 as presented, seconded by Mrs. Praneis.
Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Praneis, Michowski, Warren – 6 ayes
Motion carried.

Chevron Audit

Last spring, the Chevron Energy Solutions Company went through the facilities of the Rockton School District and evaluated the district's efficiency. Chevron Senior Manager, Sharon Uslan, presented a report on the findings.

2011 ISAT Results

A review of the ISAT results from the assessment completed in March 2011 was presented by Lindy Daniels, Curriculum Coordinator.

Correspondence

- Two letters of out-of-school suspensions and five letters of in-school suspensions.

Comments from Community

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

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Warren removed Satellite bills from consent agenda for separate motion.

Mrs. Neece moved to approve revised consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

Items included:

1. September 28, 2011 Regular meeting minutes, October 5, 2011, October 11, 2011, October 19, 2011 Finance Task Force meeting minutes, October 12, 2011 County School Facility Tax meeting minutes
2. October bills, November payroll, September treasurer’s report
3. Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative action

Schubert, Neece, Midgett, Praneis, Michowski, Warren – 6 ayes

Motion carried.

Mr. Midgett moved to approve Satellite bills as presented, seconded by Mrs. Neece.

Schubert, Midgett, Praneis, Warren, Neece, Michowski-abstain – 5 ayes and 1 abstain

Motion carried.

Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Schubert, seconded by Mrs. Neece, to approve the following personnel report.

a. Employment

Non-Certified

- Kelly Carlsson RGS teacher assistant – part-time

b. Resignation

Non-Certified

- Ellen Krantz RGS teacher assistant – part-time

c. Paternity Leave - FMLA

Certified

- David Lynch SMMS teacher

Neece, Schubert, Midgett, Praneis, Michowski, Warren – 6 ayes

Motion carried.

Closed Session Minutes

Mrs. Warren moved to approve the September 28, 2011 regular closed session minutes, seconded by Mr. Schubert.

All voted aye – 6

Motion carried.

Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session

None

Policy Committee Report:

Mrs. Neece moved to approve the following policy changes, seconded by Mrs. Praneis.

- o 1:10 – School District Legal Status
- o 1:20 – District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements
- o 2:10 – School District Governance
- o 3:10 – Goals and Objectives
- o 3:30 – Chain of Command
- o 3:70 – Succession of Authority
- o 5:125 – Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct

- o 7:100 – Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunization; and Exclusion of Students

All voted aye – 6
Motion carried.

Quarterly Investment Report

As per BOE policy, 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.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- **1% Sales Tax:** Board members Larry Schubert, Chanice Michowski, Bill Midgett, and Superintendent Greenlee attended a 1% Sales Tax informational meeting on October 12th at the ROE. The 1% Sales Tax is an alternative for schools to raise revenue, but it comes with many factors to consider before moving forward.
- **PTO/ Booster Club Storage Shed:** The cement floor has been poured and construction will begin on November 9th.
- **Honeywell Software at SMMS:** The new software for the heating and cooling at SMMS has been installed. Honeywell is now working out some software glitches.
- **Finance Task Force:** The Finance Task Force committee has met three times. The topics of discussion have been: Understanding the Budget, Identifying what is a Priority, and Generating Ideas of Possible Cost Savings.
- **School Improvement Planning Day:** Teacher evaluations for the September 23, 2011 SIP day were provided.
- **Other:** The White house is scheduled to be burned by the fire department on November 5th.

UPCOMING DATES

- October 27 – Report Card Day
- November 10 and 17 – Parent Conferences
- November 11 – Veteran’s Day (No school)
- November 16 – Board of Education Meeting (Location will be at RGS Cafeteria)

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Mr. Terry

- Provided update on PTO Fun Run pledges.
- Noted long-term substitutes Angela Schmidt and Jill Nicosia did a wonderful job.
- Halloween parade and parties are October 31st.

Mrs. Fuller

- On October 12th, the Carrie Lynn Children’s Center provided an informational presentation to first grade students about the “touching rule.”
- First grade students will be attending a field trip to Skelly’s Market on Friday, October 28th.
- First quarter reward trip to Showplace 14 is Monday, November 7th.
- Reported a book study group will be held at WPES.

Mr. Rollinson

- Fourth grade students will be attending a field trip to Midway Village on October 27th and October 28th.
- Thanked Cheri Fuller for work done for the first quarter reward.
- Veteran's Day ceremony is Thursday, November 10th at 8 a.m.
- Report card day is Thursday, October 27th.
- Thanked Rebecca Rathe and Amanda Pueblo for work done during Red Ribbon Week.

Mrs. Etnyre

- Choir will be attending field trip to Mary Poppins on Wednesday, October 26th.
- SMMS band will be playing Halloween songs at SMMS on Monday, October 31st.
- Student Council Halloween dance is Friday, November 4th.
- NJHS handball tournament is Wednesday, November 9th.
- Shared thank you from Illinois Jets for use of the track.

Mr. Newmes

- Soccer and volleyball teams had a great season.
- Eighth grade students took the EXPLORE test at HHS on October 25th.
- Class Act assembly is Friday, October 28th.

Mrs. Daniels

- Teachers are positive about the Common Core State Standards and are ready for the transition.

MEMBERS' COMMENTS

- Mrs. Michowski asked about mulch for the playground at WPES.

Comments from Community

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NEXT BOE MEETING

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School **cafeteria** on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Praneis moved to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Michowski.
All voted aye – 6
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Approved date: November 16, 2011

President: _____

Secretary: _____