

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140

Board of Education Meeting

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

1. Call to Order

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

2. Roll Call

Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Katie Littlefield, Shawn Connors, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson

Absent: Mary Newman

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kim Garst, Tim Ehlers, Kindyl Etnyre, Erin Hauser, Megan Forsythe, Justin Bonne, Autumn Czizek, Jacqui Thompson, Lindy Daniels, Jenny Blocker, Milana Bergstrom, Chris McLellan

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

None

5. Comments from the Community

Milana Bergstrom addressed the BOE regarding 2 Resolutions that are being presented on November 23, 2019 by the Illinois Association of School Boards. Ms. Bergstrom asked that the BOE review the handouts she provided and consider opposing these Resolutions.

Chris McLellan addressed the BOE regarding a concern he had related to passing time allowed between classes at SMMS.

6. Correspondence

Katie Littlefield read the following correspondence:

- Thank you card from Erin Rollinson for the donation made towards the memorial in honor of her father-in-law who passed.
- Thank you card from Kelly Cleaveland for the flowers sent after her surgery.
- Thank you card from Paige Jaeger for the contribution made to Northern IL Hospice in honor of her grandmother who passed.
- 6 in-school suspensions at WPES;
- 7 in-school suspensions, 3 bus suspensions, 2 out-of-school suspensions at SMMS.

7. FY 2019 Audit Report and Approval

Jenny Blocker, CPA, The Benning Group, LLC presented a review of the district's audited financial statements for the fiscal year 2019 that ended June 30, 2019. Approval was recommended of the report after the presentation.

Gail Johnson motioned to approve FY 2019 Audit Report, seconded by Shawn Connors.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson

8. Lindy Daniels Presentation - Results of the IAR Testing

Lindy Daniels presented the Districts 2019 IAR Test results to the Board. The number of students who met or exceeded ELA standards decreased by 1% to 62% for the district. For math standards, the district percentage of students meeting or exceeding also decreased by 1% to 51%. RGS, WPES and SMMS received a designation of Commendable.

9. Brett Lundsten motioned to go into **Executive Session** at 7:00 pm 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 Josh Houghton.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson

10. Action on Items Arising Out of Closed Session

10.1 Approval of September 23, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the September 23, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain close, seconded by Brett Lundsten.
All in favor 6 ayes. Motion passed.

10.2 Approval of October 9, 2019 Committee of the Whole Closed Session Minutes

Brett Lundsten motioned to approve the October 9, 2019 Committee of the Whole Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain close, seconded by Chad Papke.
All in favor 6 ayes. Motion passed.

11. Consent Items

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Approval of Personnel
 - Non-Certified New Hires**
 - Lani Rostamo, Re-Hire, Reading Center Aide (replacing Emily Danielson), Effective 10/28/19
 - Non-Certified Resignations**
 - Emily Danielson, Reading Center Aide, Resigned Effective 10/25/19
 - Stipend Resignation Requests**
 - Alex Huffhines, Track and Field Coach, Effective 10/1/19
 - Rebecca Kramper, Play Director, Effective 9/15/19
 - Stipend New Hires/Transfers**
 - Lucinda Balandis, Geography Club Advisor, Effective 19-20 School Year
 - Carrie Human, moving from 7th to 8th Grade Volleyball Coach, Effective 20-21 School Year
 - Zachary Newman, Play Director, Effective 19-20 School Year
 - Certified FMLA Request**
 - Peyton Rotolo, 12 weeks FMLA, Birth Commencement 11/19/19
- Approval of RSD #140 October 2019 bills:\$104,531.30, October 2019 Payroll Liabilities \$431,543.61
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative October 2019 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative September 2019 Financial Reports
- Approval of WCSEC Teacher's Contract for Judy Bourgouin

- Approval of September 23, 2019 BOE Meeting
- Approval of October 9, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes

Gail Johnson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Brett Lundsten.

Roll Call: Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, Chad Papke, Josh Houghton

12. Approve HVAC Controller and EBI Software Upgrade

Approval was requested for the following upgrades to SMMS:

- Upgrade the panel controllers for CPU-02, CPU-06, CPU-09 and 3 Zone Managers less VAV Controllers with Honeywell Building Solutions in the amount of \$79,000.00;
- Upgrade EBI to latest revision on customer provided virtual network with Honeywell Building Solutions in the amount of \$18,880.00.

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the upgrades to the HVAC Controller and EBI software at SMMS with Honeywell Building Solutions in the amount of \$97,880.00 (HVAC Controller \$79,000.00 and EBI Software Upgrade \$18,880.00), seconded by Katie Littlefield.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Katie Littlefield, Brett Lundsten, Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson

13. Approval of Supplemental Property Tax Levy

Resolution authorizing a supplemental property tax levy to pay the principal of and interest on the outstanding General Obligation Limited School Bonds, Series 2013, and General Obligation Limited Refunding School Bonds, Series 2018, of the District.

Shawn Connors motioned to approve the Supplemental Property Tax Levy, seconded by Katie Littlefield.

Roll Call: Gail Johnson, Shawn Connors, Brett Lundsten, Katie Littlefield, Chad Papke, Josh Houghton

14. New Business

a. Growth Committee

Mr. Terry shared with the BOE new demographic information regarding future enrollment and building capacity. The Board will have further discussions about this at the November COW meeting and the possibility of a Growth Committee.

15. Superintendent's Report

None

16. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report

October 23, 2019

1. Kindyl Etnyre

- PTO: #ReadingisDinomite - Please join us for a 'roaring' good time on Thursday, October 24th from 6-7:30 PM in the RGS gym for family reading night. Thanks to Kristin Schmidt and her parent committee for making this night happen!**

- b. **RGS - Congratulations to Mrs. Halom and Mrs. LaPonsie on earning the Gold Circle of Quality for our Preschool for All program. Their care and dedication shines daily!**
- 2. **Erin Hauser**
- a. **RGS Events and Field Trips:**
 - i. **Kindergarten visited the Apple Orchard this month, 1st grade will be visiting Skelly's Farm on October 28th and 2nd grade is visiting Severson Dells this week (October 23, 24, and 25).**
 - ii. **RGS/WPES had the ALICE evacuation drill on October 9th. Students and staff evacuated to ChemTool after practicing the event of an intruder in the building. RGS/WPES evacuated and returned to school in 32 minutes! Great work, staff and students!**
- b. **We are rockin' great character this year! Mrs. Etnyre and Mrs. Hauser visited every classroom this past week. We presented a story, activity promoting respectful choices, said our character pledge, and shared a fun rockstar video to encourage students to show respectful, responsible, and safe behavior each day. Students who are rockin' great character can be nominated each week by a staff member. Students who are recognized earn a certificate and get their picture taken in front of the RGS character display.**

WPES Administrative Report

1. Megan Forsythe

- a. **Thank you to Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Bigwood, along with several other staff volunteers, for a fantastic fall session of Running Club. And congratulations to our running club coaches, some of our WPES running club members, and Mr. Boelte for completing the Jaimie Cox Memorial 5K run on a very cold morning!**
- b. **A shout out to the teachers and administrators for putting themselves in a very sticky situation to give students an experience to remember as they turned us into human sundaes! A special shout out to Kindyl for all of her time and energy she put into this year's Fun Run.**

2. Justin Bonne

- a. **We've had some great field trips already this year. 3rd Grade went to see Matilda at Rockford University on the 10th. Also, half of 3rd grade went to Cave of the Mounds yesterday and the remaining classes will attend that trip coming up on the 30th. Coming up, 4th grade will be going to see You're a Good Man Charlie Brown at the Hononegah Performing Arts Center.**
- b. **On the 11th, the American Legion will perform in the gym to celebrate family members who are Veterans. We will have a slideshow for students family members who have served along with a performance from Maggie Peterson on trumpet and our choir to honor them..**

SMMS Administrative Report

1. Autumn Czizek

- a. **Congratulations to the students selected to participate in the ILMEA District 8 Festival ensemble. We had five students (Noah Blythe, William Hardwick, Elizabeth Krampfer, Corissa Maurer, and Kailey Meadors) that were selected.**

We appreciate the hard work and dedication that goes into preparing for this event and are so glad they are representing SMMS!

- b. Our 2019 Class Act Assembly will be on Thursday, November 7 at 1:40. Our Peer Support students and teachers are hard at work on putting a great assembly together to deliver our Class Act theme for the year.
- 2. Jacqui Thompson
 - a. Fall Sports have come to a close and our teams at SMMS all finished strong. The Cross Country team sent seven girls to State (**Skylar Geary, Isabella Grasley, Jordan Johnston, Chelsey Klengenmyer, Sophia Plourde, Isabella Trout, & Kayla Tubbs**). The 8th grade soccer team finished as conference champs and the 7th grade team finished in third place. Both teams placed second in the conference tournament. In addition, the 8th grade and 7th grade volleyball teams finished 3rd in the regular season. At the conference tournament 8th grade finished 2nd and 7th grade finished in 5th.
 - b. This week at Stephen Mack we are supporting breast cancer awareness month with the Pink Penny Wars. Homeroom teachers all have a gallon jug in their classrooms to collect money donations from students. Points are given to homerooms based on the amount of pennies students collect, and taken away for silver coins found in each jug. Students are going to town bringing in all sorts of coins to “sabotage” other homerooms while raising money in their classrooms at the same time!

17. Members' Comments

Gail Johnson thanked Katie Littlefield for her leadership abilities. Brett Lundsten thanked Lindy Daniels for her presentation and also thanked Kim Garst for all of the work she has done to straighten out the accounts and the discrepancies.

18. Adjournment

Brett Lundsten motioned to adjourn at 7:48 pm, seconded by Chad Papke.

All in favor 6 ayes. Motion passed.

Katie Littlefield

Gail Johnson