

ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140

Board of Education Meeting

Monday, September 23, 2019

1. Call to Order

Vice-President Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman, Shawn Connors, Brett Lundsten, Gail Johnson

Absent: Katie Littlefield

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kim Garst, Tim Ehlers, Kindyl Etnyre, Erin Hauser, Megan Forsythe, Justin Bonne, Autumn Czizek, Jacqui Thompson, Lindy Daniels, Nick Boelte, Mindy Clark, Nicole Cleaveland, Kristin Fish, Ashleigh Hannel, Cyndy Heckman, Kristi Holstein, Amy Hommema, Sarah Padhye, Kristin Schmidt, Alexis Swanborg, Aimie Wingert

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda

None

5. Comments from the Community

Aimie Wingert introduced herself and asked for a hearing to allow her children to return to school. She stated that she and her children do reside within the district and are living with her brother.

Mrs. Johnson thanked her for speaking and stated that the BOE would talk in closed session and someone would get back to her in a few days with the Board's decision.

6. Correspondence

FMLA request from Peyton Rotolo for maternity leave.

Thank you card from Kris Saey for the plant sent when her mother passed.

Thank you card from Barb Kubat for the floral arrangement sent after her back surgery.

Thank you card from Rebecca Scheppmann for the flowers and teddy bear sent after the birth of her son, Logan.

4 in-school suspensions at SMMS;

4 students at WPES were given both in-school and out-of-school suspensions

7. RSD #140 Budget Hearing

Gail Johnson opened the public hearing for the RSD#140 Budget at 6:08pm. No one commented. Gail Johnson closed the public hearing at 6:08 pm.

8. RSD #140 Budget Approval

Approval was recommended for the FY20 RSD #140 Budget.

Shawn Connors moved to adopt the FY20 RSD#140 Budget, seconded by Brett Lundsten.

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Brett Lundsten, Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman, Gail Johnson

9. Introduction of New RSD #140 Teachers

Lindy Daniels and Justin Bonne introduced the new teachers to the BOE by playing a game.

10. Shawn Connors motioned into **Executive Session** at 6:30pm 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 Chad Papke.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman, Brett Lundsten, Shawn Connors, Gail Johnson

Josh Houghton motioned back into open session at 6:55pm, seconded by Shawn Connors. All in favor 6 ayes. Motion passed.

Gail Johnson, Vice-President asked for nominations for president pro tem to conduct the board of education meeting of the Rockton School District #140 following the absence of the President and Vice-President, the following were nominated:

- Shawn Connors

Vice-President Johnson asked if there were any further nominations. Vice-President Johnson called for a vote on the candidate by a show of hands.

Results:

Shawn Connors-6 ayes, 0 nays.

Shawn Connors was elected president pro tem by an unanimous vote.

Gail Johnson left at 6:56pm.

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

11.1 Approval of July 31, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the July 31, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Brett Lundsten.

All in favor 5 ayes. Motion passed

11.2 Approval of August 12, 2019 Special Purpose Closed Session Minutes

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the August 12, 2019 Special Purpose Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Brett Lundsten.

All in favor 5 ayes. Motion passed.

11.3 Approval of August 21, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes

Josh Houghton motioned to approve the August 21, 2019 BOE Closed Session Minutes, and recommended they are to remain closed, seconded by Brett Lundsten

12. **Consent Items**

Items recommended for the consent agenda are:

- Approval of Personnel
- Approval of RSD #140 September 2019 bills:\$188,447.58, September 2019 Payroll Liabilities \$304,959.36, July 2019 Expenditures, July 2019 Revenue Report, July 2019 Operating Funds Summary, July 2019 Treasurer's Report

- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative September 2019 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative August 2019 Financial Reports
- Approval of WCSEC Teacher's Contract for Judy Bourgouin
- Approval of August 12, 2019 Special Purpose Minutes
- Approval of August 21, 2019 BOE Meeting
- Approval of September 11, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes

Mary Newman motioned to approve the above referenced consent agenda, seconded by Chad Papke.

Roll Call: Shawn Connors, Brett Lundsten, Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman

13. Approval To Go Out To Bid For SMMS Ice Bank/Chiller Replacement

Josh Houghton motioned to approve going out to bid for SMMS Ice Bank/Chiller replacement, seconded by Shawn Connors.

Roll Call: Josh Houghton, Chad Papke, Mary Newman, Brett Lundsten, Shawn Connors

14. New Business

None

15. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Terry reported to the BOE that he would be attending the IASA Conference in Springfield this week, and would be gone from Wednesday afternoon until late Friday afternoon.

16. Administrative Reports

RGS Administrative Report

September 23, 2019

Kindyl Etnyre

- PTO - Thank you to all the families and staff members who made our welcome back to school picnic a success! The PTO is donating \$1000.00 to the ALS Foundation in memory of Mr. Kris Grahnke.**
- RGS - Thank you to Hope Free Church for painting our library this summer. We also appreciate Mr. Enderle's creative additions to the treehouse mural. Please stop by and check out the mini-makeover!**

Erin Hauser

- Upcoming Events: The Rockton Fire Department will be visiting RGS on October 7th, 8th, and 10th to do a lesson for our students. Students can also view the fire trucks! We are also scheduled with our Intruder/Evacuation Drill for October 9th at 1:00. We recently did a walk through at Chem-Tool with new staff members and any other staff members that needed a refresher.**
- We are rockin' great character this year! Mrs. Etnyre and Mrs. Hauser will be completing lessons in classrooms with activities and stories related to our first character theme: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe! Teachers will nominate a student who is showing great character each week and their names will be read on the RGS Friday morning announcements!**
 - Be Respectful, Be Responsible & Be Safe (1st trimester)**

- ii. Caring (2nd trimester)
- iii. Perseverance & Growth Mindset (3rd trimester)
- e. Thank you BOE, for supporting the new AP positions!

WPES Administrative Report

Megan Forsythe

- a. Thank you to Ecolab for donating volunteer hours and funds to add a “genius bar” to our new STEM lab - and a shout out to Mindy Clark and Kelly Baumgartner for planning and designing this new space for our school. Come check it out!
- b. Shedding shells at Whitman Post in so many ways - new STEM class, 3rd grade platooning, & many megabytes of technology integration to enrich student learning!

Justin Bonne

- c. We started after school reading and after school math RtI on Sept 10th, and it has been going really well for all of the 30 kids we help. Thank you to 3rd grade: Nick Boelte, Kathy Sipe, Sheila Ball, and Cari Benkovich. 4th grade: Ruth King and Tristi Kriegler, 5th Grade: Mindy Clark, Jay Bigwood, and Kaila Strubhart for taking the time after school to help our kids.
- d. We have had a number of clubs recently start both before and after school including: STEM for Kids, Running Club, Ukulele Club, and Choir. Thanks to Leah Carter, Amy Bigwood, Zach Newman, and Stem Donna Curtis for providing these opportunities at Whitman Post.

SMMS Administrative Report

Autumn Czizek

- a. Thank you to the PTO for sponsoring such a fun event with our color run Fun Run! The students loved it and it was a great way to change up the middle school's Fun Run.
- b. The SMMS band performed at the Hononegah Homecoming Football Game on Friday night. Thank you to our band students and Mr. Mayer for all of the work put in to prepare for this event! We were even the lucky recipients of a concert for the office staff!

Jacqui Thompson

- c. Last week we were joined by the Rockton Police Department for our annual ALICE Drill. Teachers and students practiced barricading and evacuating classrooms in the event an intruder would enter the building. Everyone performed all aspects of the drill with integrity and respect.
- d. Thank you to Sarah Padhye and the student council for putting on the Back to the Mack dance. Students and parent chaperones were in high attendance. We sold out of every single food and drink item there was to offer! The kids had a blast hopping from indoor and outdoor activities while listening to the dynamic DJ Eiss.

17. Members' Comments


None

18. Adjournment

Josh Houghton moved to adjourn at 7:10pm, seconded by Chad Papke. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10pm. The next regular Board meeting will be held at Rockton Grade School Music Room on October 23, 2019.


Shawn Connors


Mary Newman