

**ROCKTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 140**

**Board of Education Meeting**

**May 18, 2022**

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**1. Call to Order**

President Driggers called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

**2. Roll Call**

Cynthia Driggers, Mary Newman, Scott Robinson, Steve Harkess, Mike Plourde, Carson Breed, Kelsey Lueshen

Others Present: Glenn Terry, Kindyl Etnyre, Erin Hauser, Megan Forsythe, Justin Bonne, Autumn Czizek, Jacqui Thompson, Jenessa Fiduccia, Dan Enderle, April Graves, Cole Czaja and parents, Abigail Burke and parents, Abrianna Breed and parents

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Additions/Corrections to Agenda**

**5. Comments from the Community**

**6. Correspondence**

- Thank you card from the 1st Grade team for the staff appreciation gifts and the pandemic premium.
- Thank you card from Sally Southworth for the plant sent when her father passed.
- Thank you card from the 6th Grade Team for the pandemic premium.
- Thank you card from WPES for the staff appreciation gifts given during staff appreciation week and for the pandemic premium received.
- Thank you card from Patti Luevano for the pandemic premium received.
- Thank you card from the 7th grade team for everything done during staff appreciation week and for the pandemic premium received.
- Thank you card from Jackie Russell for all of the goodies supplied during staff appreciation week.
- Thank you card from Kristine Saey for the pandemic premium received and for treats received during staff appreciation week.
- Thank you card from the Kindergarten Team for the pandemic premium received and for the support given during the pandemic.
- 2-Bus suspensions at WPES
- 8-In school suspensions at WPES
- 1-Out of school suspension at WPES
- 1-Bus suspension at SMMS
- 1-In school suspension at SMMS
- 3-Out of school suspensions at SMMS

**7. Art Work Presentation**

Artwork created by Rockton School District students are presented to the Board of Education. Art teachers from each school selected a student's artwork to be presented to the Board. Students have granted permission for their artwork to be displayed in the District Office until they graduate high school at which time they may request the return of their framed pieces. This year's winners are:

- Cole Czaja-2nd Grade at Rockton Grade School
- Abigail Burke-3rd Grade at Whitman Post Elementary
- Abrianna Breed-8th Grade at Stephen Mack Middle School

**8. Executive Session**

- appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1),

Carson Breed motioned into executive session at 6:13 pm, seconded by Mary Newman. All in favor 7 ayes. Motion passed.

**9. Consent Items**

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

Financials: Approval of RSD #140 May 2022 bills \$497,609.17, Approval of April reports as follows: Cash Report, Revenue Report, Expenditure Report, Cash & Investment Report, Operating Funds Summary, Fund Balance Report, Treasurer's Report, Check Register, Activity Check Register, Payroll Gross Earnings \$731,688.51, Payroll Liabilities Paid \$399,873.88

- April 6, 2022 Committee of the Whole Minutes
- Approval of April 20, 2022 BOE Minutes
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative April 2022 Bills, Employment & Personnel Report
- Approval of WCSEC Cooperative April 2022 Financial Reports
- Approval of PTO Fundraisers 2022-2023 School Year

Cynthia Driggers motioned to approve the above referenced consent items, seconded by Carson Breed.

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

Motion Passed.

#### 10. **Approval of May Personnel**

##### **Certified New Hire**

Ashley Mumma, Middle School Math/Science Teacher @SMMS, Effective 2022-2023 SY

Jenna Arends, SPED Teacher @WPES/SMMS, Effective 2022-2023 SY

McKenzie Palmeri, SPED Teacher @WPES, Effective 2022-2023 SY

##### **Certified FT to PT**

Laura Erwin, SLP, FT to PT (3.5 days/week), Effective 2022-2023

##### **Certified Resignation**

Jennifer Bell, Early Childhood Teacher @RGS, Effective 5/27/2022

Jacqui Thompson, Assistant Principal @SMMS, Effective 5/12/2022

##### **Certified Stipend Resignation**

Jeanna Liikala-McAfee, Lunchroom Supv @SMMS, Effective with end of 21-22 SY

##### **Certified Summer School**

Mark Schroeder, Teacher, 7/25/22 - 8/5/22

Lucinda Balandis, Teacher, 7/25/22 - 8/5/22

Faith Fandel, Kindergarten Teacher

Nicole Cleaveland, First Grade Teacher

Taylor Williams, Second Grade Teacher

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

Ashley Mumma, Library Assistant @WPES, Effective end 21-22 SY (Transfer to Teacher)

Jenna Arends, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective end of 21-22 SY (Transfer to Teacher)

Braydin Gardner, Custodian @RGS, Effective 5/26/2022 (moving out of state)

Tiffany Foutch, Classroom Para @SMMS, Effective 5/19/2022 (cannot get a Para license due to name change - no documentation for high school diploma)

##### **Non-Certified New Hire**

Joseph Krumsee, 2nd Shift Custodian @SMMS, Effective 5/4/2022

Brian Cortez, 2nd Shift Custodian @RGS, Effective 5/31/2022

Lisa Burgan, Paraprofessional @ WPES

##### **Non-Certified Summer School**

Serena LaPonsie, Kindergarten Para

Jessica Polnow, 1st Grade Para

Emily Davis, 2nd Grade Para

##### **Non-Certified Summer Help**

Ethan Butler, Custodian/Technology Helper

Carson Breed motioned to approve 3 Certified New Hires, 1 Certified FT to PT, 2 Certified Resignations, 1 Certified Stipend Resignation, 5 Certified Summer School Stipends, 5 Non-Certified Resignations, 3 Non-Certified New Hires, 3 Non-Certified Summer School Hires, 1 Non-Certified Summer Help Hire, seconded by Steve Harkess.

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

Motion Passed.

**11. Approval of 2022-2023 BOE and COW Meeting Dates**

Scott Robinson motioned to approve the 2022-2023 BOE and C.O.W. meeting dates, seconded by Carson Breed.

All in favor 7 ayes. Motion passed.

**12. Approval of Waste/Recycle 3 yr contract**

Cynthia Driggers motioned to approve the 3 year joint Waste Disposal and Recycling Service Proposal commencing on July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2025, seconded by Carson Breed.

Roll Call: Cynthia Driggers, Mary Newman, Carson Breed, Scott Robinson, Kelsey Lueshen, Steve Harkess, Mike Flourde

Motion Passed.

**13. New Business**

Mr. Terry explained the process if a parent objects to a book that is currently in the school library.

**14. Superintendent's Report**

- Triple I Conference

Mr. Terry asked the BOE to think about whether or not they would want to attend Triple I in the fall.

The dates for reserving hotel accommodations open in June.

**15. Administrative Reports**

**RGS Administrative Report**

**May 18, 2022**

1. Kindyl Etnyre

- i. Thank you to Mr. Steve Jones and the Blues in the Schools program! Our teachers wait all year for this grand, musical experience.
- ii. RGS would like to thank Mrs. Annie Rohrer for her dedication to first grade, RGS, RSD and the craft of teaching! Annie brings her heart to the classroom every day. Her children are graced by love, compassion and strong instructional practices. Happy retirement!

2. Erin Hauser

- i. RGS has been busy with field trips throughout the month of May! It has been so wonderful to have this sense of normalcy back for our students. Beauty and the Beast play, Madison Zoo and Camp Winnebago are all We experiences some of our students have enjoyed to wrap up the year.
- ii. Thank you to Stephanie Ballard for organizing two amazing in-person kindergarten concerts!
- iii. PTO News - RGS celebrated the 2022 Fun Run on Tuesday! There were lots of smiles during this exciting event! We welcomed all spectators and it was an excellent turn out.

**WPES Administrative Report**

1. Forsythe

- a. Thank you to Mr. Newman for a fantastic 4<sup>th</sup> grade concert, to Mr. Enderle for continuing to share his passion for the arts with our school & community by putting together a last-minute WPES Art Show, and to Mr. Donaldson for all of his efforts to make tomorrow's field day happen!
- b. It's great to have field trips again! We started with a big one - at the end of April, 576 Whitman Post students & staff headed over to the new Beloit Sky Carps Stadium for a baseball game & their Education Day. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders explored adventures at Camp Winnebago this past month. 4<sup>th</sup> graders are headed to the Madison Zoo next week. We are also enjoying some "inter-building" field trips with our 5<sup>th</sup> graders checking out Stephen Mack this past Tuesday - thank you for the tour, Mrs. Czizek, Mrs. Thompson, & the SMMS team. And our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade team is looking forward to

giving a tour of WPES to our RGS 2<sup>nd</sup> grade friends on Monday to give them a glimpse of their new school.

2. Bonne

- a. We have been filling our schools with all types of fun events including Blues in the Schools last Thursday. We beat the heat by having each grade take turns hanging out in the shade and getting a history lesson on the origins of the Blues and listen to some live music. On Monday we had our Fun Run and the weather was perfect. In addition to the fundraising goals, we gave prizes to top runners in each class, to the top 3 boys and girls in each grade, and congrats to Ms. Brook's, Mrs. Jacobi, and Mr. Bigwoods classes for having the most overall average laps ran per grade level.
- b. Next week we will be celebrating the end of the quarter and the year with perseverance recognition awards. Students will be receiving recognition and a treat during lunch and special privileges throughout the day. As our culminating event for the year, all students will get to join in on "The Bash." We will have chips donated by Lays, and plenty of fun and games around campus including an inflatable obstacle course. Thanks to Ashley Jenkins, Laura Brooks, Kathy Sipe, Megan Genens, and Ruth King for being part of the committee and helping to plan the event.

**SMMS Administrative Report**

1. Autumn Czizek

- SMMS is once again hosting a Color Run as our Fun Run this year! Our run will be on Friday, May 20. We are incredibly excited to have this event back at SMMS!
- Retirees

2. Jacqui Thompson

- State Track Qualifiers
- Fine Arts Festival

**16. Members' Comments**

None

**17. Executive Session**

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Carson Breed motioned into executive session at 6:46 pm, seconded by Scott Robinson. All in favor 7 ayes.

**18. Adjournment**

Carson Breed motioned to adjourn at 7:25 pm, seconded by Steve Harkess. All in favor 7.

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Cynthia Driggers, President

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Mary Newman, Secretary