

August 18, 2010

CORRECTED
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

The Regular Session meeting of the Rock Falls Township High School Board of Education was called to order on Wednesday, August 18, 2010, at 6:35 p.m. in the Conference Room at Rock Falls Township High School by Board President Wagner. Members present: Brackemeyer, Gaulrapp, Howard, Janssen, and Wagner. Members Absent: Jacobs and Nehrkorn.

President Wagner requested an approval of the agenda. All ayes: Brackemeyer, Gaulrapp, Howard, Janssen, and Wagner.

A motion was made by Brackemeyer and seconded by Gaulrapp to approve the Consent Agenda: Imprest Fund, Activity Fund, Financial Report, and Interfund Loans. July Supplemental Bills: Educational Fund \$176,461.74, Building Fund \$46,191.47, Bond and Interest Fund \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$2,926.21, Municipal Retirement Fund \$16,929.47, July 15, 2010 Payroll \$114,474.82, July 28, 2010 Payroll \$114,749.76, and Tort Fund \$1,184.87. August Current Bills: Education Fund \$107,131.05, Building Fund \$26,492.97, Bond and Interest \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$3,204.95, Debt Services Fund \$778.00, Health/Life Safety Fund \$80,597.83, and Tort Fund \$696.20. Approval was granted to hire Josh Glawe and Daniel Herrera as Teacher Aides. Chris Buikema was approved as Assistant Boys' Golf Coach, Brent Hughes was approved as Assistant Girls' Golf Coach, and Korby Paul was approved as Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach. Approval was granted for the Destruction of the Closed Session Meeting Audio Recording for February 18, 2009. All ayes: Brackemeyer, Gaulrapp, Howard, Janssen, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

A motion was made by Brackemeyer and seconded by Howard to enter into a Closed Session meeting to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific School District Employees at 6:36 p.m. All ayes: Gaulrapp, Howard, Janssen, Brackemeyer, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

Board Member Jacobs arrived at 6:43 p.m.

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Brackemeyer to adjourn the Closed Session meeting at 7:08 p.m. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Brackemeyer, Gaulrapp, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

The Open Session meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Hearing of Delegations, Representatives, Correspondence, and Audience Comments

Several members from the audience shared public comments as to why they felt that Dave Peugh should be hired as the Alternative School teacher and Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach.

Mr. McCord introduced the new employees: Derick Cox (Industrial Arts teacher), Derrick Lander (Technology Coordinator), and Stephanie Schmitt (English teacher).

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Superintendent's Report – Action Items

Motion by Brackemeyer and seconded by Jacobs to approve the Resignation of Kelley Wescott – Teacher Aide. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Brackemeyer, Gaulrapp, Howard, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Brackemeyer and seconded by Jacobs to approve the Employment of Scott Olson as Alternative School Teacher and Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach. Ayes: Brackemeyer, Jacobs, Gaulrapp, and Wagner. Nays: Howard and Janssen. **MOTION CARRIED**

Information Items

Building and Grounds

Mr. Scuffham updated the Board members on the Health/Life Safety projects that have been completed throughout the summer months.

Registration Report

Mr. McCord stated that a total of 708 students have registered.

Opening Days of School Activities, Staff Development, Teachers' Institute, and Freshman Orientation

Dr. Eichman updated the Board members on the various activities of the opening days of the 2010-2011 school year.

2010 Student Assessments

Dr. Eichman stated that Rock Falls High School did not make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for 2010. The junior students who took the Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE) in April, 2010, scored 54.0 percent in reading and 51.8 percent in math, falling below the state minimum target rate of 77.5%. This places RFHS in Federal Corrective Status, which will be addressed in the School Improvement Plan. Principal McCord shared the PLAN, the EXPLORE and the ACT test results, which indicated academic growth in several subject areas.

Calendar Items

Calendar Items were listed on the agenda.

Other

Education Jobs Fund Bill

Dr. Eichman stated that the State of Illinois is slated to receive \$415 million from the Education Jobs Fund Bill. Preliminary figures indicate that Rock Falls High School could receive \$230,584, which is to be used for salaries and benefits for teachers, including support staff. Many unanswered questions remain concerning the specific use of these new funds. The school district is waiting for guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education.

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Brackemeyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.
All ayes: Brackemeyer, Gaulrapp, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Wagner.

MOTION CARRIED

President

Secretary