

November 18, 2009

## REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

The Regular Session meeting of the Rock Falls Township High School Board of Education was called to order on Wednesday, November 18, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 137 at Rock Falls Township High School by Board President Wagner. Members present: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Nehrkorn, and Wagner. Members absent: Brackemeyer and Gaulrapp.

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

A motion was made by Nehrkorn and seconded by Howard to approve the Consent Agenda: Imprest Fund, Activity Fund, Financial Report, and Interfund Loans. October Supplemental Bills: Educational Fund \$233,935.56, Building Fund \$28,868.67, Bond and Interest Fund \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$2,938.66, Municipal Retirement Fund \$22,102.42, October 15, 2009 Payroll \$135,130.68, October 28, 2009 Payroll \$133,829.87, and Tort Fund \$45.50. November Current Bills: Educational Fund \$68,261.38, Building Fund \$12,697.49, Bond and Interest \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$35,024.03, Debt Services Fund \$0.00, Health/Life Safety Fund \$15,025.00, and Tort Fund \$1,697.50. The following Personnel Items were approved: Korby Paul, Volunteer Assistant Girls Basketball Coach, Julie Vinson and Marsha Newman, Volunteer Cheerleading Coach (temporary). The Second Reading of the following School Board Policy Amendments (PRESS Plus 67 – July, 2009) were approved: Policy 2:70-E – Checklist for Filling Board Vacancies by Appointment (NEW), Policy 2:260 – Uniform Grievance Procedure, Policy 5:220 – Substitute Teachers, and Policy 6:15 – School Accountability. The First Reading of the following School Board Policy Amendments (PRESS Plus, Issue 68 – September, 2009) were approved: Policy 2:20 – Powers and Duties of the School Board/Board of Education (Rewritten), Policy 2:40 – Board Member Qualifications, Policy 2:70-E – Checklist for Filling Board Vacancy by Appointment, Policy 2:110 – Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers, Policy 3:40 – Superintendent, Policy 4:30 – Revenue and Investments, Policy 4:40 – Incurring Debt, Policy 4:100 – Insurance Management, Policy 4:110 – Transportation, Policy 4:140 – Waiver of Student Fees, Policy 5:30 – Hiring Process and Criteria, Policy 5:90 – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting, Policy 5:100 – Staff Development Program, Policy 5:120 – Ethics, Policy 5:250 – Professional Personnel – Leaves of Absence, Policy 5:280 – Educational Support Personnel – Duties and Qualifications, Policy 5:330 – Educational Support Personnel – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, Leaves, Policy 6:110 – Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program, Policy 6:300 – Graduation Requirements, Policy 6:310 – Credit for Alternative Courses and Programs, and Course Substitutions, Policy 6:320 – High School Credit for Proficiency, Policy 6:340 – Student Testing and Assessment Program (Rewritten), Policy 7:190 – Student Discipline, Policy 7:240 – Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities, and Policy 7:300 – Extracurricular Athletics. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Nehrkorn, Howard, and Wagner.

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Hearing of Delegations, Representatives, Correspondence, and Audience Comments or Questions  
Mrs. McKanna thanked the Board of Education members for the treats provided to the staff for American Education Week.

### Academic Spotlight

Brent Hughes presented information from the Industrial Arts and Driver's Education Departments.

### Student Activity

Stephanie Kischuk presented information regarding the Speech Team.

### Committee Reports

The Athletic Committee met on November 17, 2009.

The Policy Committee met on November 2, 2009.

The Finance Committee met on November 10, 2009.

#### Superintendent's Report – Action Items

Stephanie Ramsey, School District Auditor with Gorenz and Associates Certified Public Accountants, presented the FY 2009 Audit.

Motion by Janssen and seconded by Jacobs to approve the FY 2009 Audit. All ayes: Janssen, Nehrkorn, Howard, Jacobs, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Nehrkorn to approve the Resolution to Levy 2009 Property Taxes. All ayes: Nehrkorn, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Howard to approve the Resolution to Increase Imprest Fund Allotment. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Nehrkorn, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen to approve the Resolution Amending WRVS Joint Agreement. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Nehrkorn, Howard, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

#### Superintendent's Report – Information Items

##### Annual Building Inspection Report

The Annual Building Inspection was conducted on September 29, 2009. Dr. Eichman reported that the Field Notice Violations cited were minor. A letter addressing the citations has been sent to the Regional Office of Education.

##### Parent/Teacher Conference Review

Mr. McCord stated that approximately 100 families attended Parent/Teacher Conferences. This total is down about 20 families from last year.

##### Red Cross Blood Mobile Update

Mr. McCord reported that the National Honor Society sponsored a Blood Drive on October 22, 2009. There were 30 individuals who volunteered to donate blood. However, the Red Cross could only accept 24 of the donations. Twenty-one new donors participated in the drive.

##### School Board Retreat

The School Board Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, February 6, 2010, at 7:30 a.m. The location has yet to be determined.

##### Annual School Board Member Day

Dr. Eichman acknowledged that November 14, 2009, was the Annual School Board Member Day. Board members were thanked for their time and dedication to RFHS.

##### American Education Week

Staff members and Board members were invited to stop by the Main Office for special treats on Tuesday, November 17, in observance of American Education Week.

##### IASA/IASB/IASBO Joint Annual Conference

The Joint Annual Conference will be held in Chicago on November 20-22, 2009. Board members received conference materials in their School Board Packets.

##### Calendar Items

Calendar Items were listed on the Board agenda.

##### Other

Dr. Eichman informed Board members that she had received correspondence from the Illinois State Board of Education acknowledging that they have received the PE Waiver paperwork. The PE Waiver paperwork will be delivered to the General Assembly in late February, 2010.

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Nehr Korn to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. All ayes: Janssen, Nehr Korn, Howard, Jacobs, and Wagner. **MOTION CARRIED**

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President

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Secretary