

April 24, 2019

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

The Regular Session meeting of the Rock Falls Township High School Board of Education was called to order on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, at 7:04 p.m. in Room 137 at Rock Falls Township High School by President Gaulrapp. Members present: Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lewis, Lillpop, and Lewis.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the Final Meeting of the Retiring Board of Education).

A motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Jacobs to enter into a Closed Session meeting to discuss: The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific School District Employees and or Public Office; and Matters Related to Litigation at 6:45 p.m. All ayes: Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, and Gaulrapp. Also in attendance were: Superintendent Ron McCord and Administrative Assistant Toni Cain.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen to adjourn the Closed Session meeting at 7:03 p.m. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, and Gaulrapp.

MOTION CARRIED

Open session resumed at 7:04 p.m.

A motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Jacobs to approve the agenda. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, Howard, and Gaulrapp.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen to approve the Consent Agenda: Imprest Fund Report, Financial Reports, and Interfund Loan Report, the March Supplemental Bills: Education Fund \$82,135.06, O & M Fund \$14,707.91, Bond and Interest Fund \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$287.18, Municipal Retirement Fund \$0.00. March 15, 2019 Payroll \$133,015.79, March 28, 2019 Payroll \$134,407.60, Health/Life Safety Fund \$0.00, Debt Services Fund \$0.00, Tort Fund \$0.00 and Working Cash \$0.00, Capital Projects \$0.00, April Bills: Education Fund \$102,077.96, O & M Fund \$47,536.01, Bond and Interest \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$29,410.79, Working Cash Fund \$0.00, Debt Services Fund \$0.00, Health/Life Safety Fund \$0.00, Tort Fund \$11,090.25 and Capital Projects Fund \$6,797.87. Approval was also granted for the following items:

- Personnel – Resignation Kathy Hollowell Night Custodian; Employment Daniel Moore, Custodian effective April 8, 2019; Victor Betts Night Custodian, and Joshua Radford Assistant Football Coach.
- Suspension Summary Report from March 1, 2019 through March 29, 2019.
- Destruction of Closed Session Meeting Audio Recording – None
- Approval of the First Reading of School Board Policy Amendments – PRESS Plus Issue 100, February/March 2019.
- Approval of PE Waiver Student List – None

All ayes: Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, and Gaulrapp.

MOTION CARRIED

Hearing of Representatives, Correspondence, and Audience Comments

Amy Sigel attended the meeting in place of Derick Cox for the Teachers' Association.

Dave Janssen made a request to the Board Members to get his key back for the Fitness Center. He is no longer a strength coach for RFHS, but he would still like to use the facility and help students.

School-wide Spotlight

Rhonda Neal presented information from the Cafeteria.

Student Activity

Heather Shore presented information from the Art Club.

Committee Reports

The Policy Committee met on April 3, 2019 to discuss PRESS Plus Issue 100, February/March 2019.

The Superintendent's Report – Action Items

Items Resulting from Closed Session

Motion by Janssen and seconded by Matt Lillpop to approve the Contract Extension for Principal, Mike Berentes, for the 2019-2020 School Year. All ayes: Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Howard to approve the Contract Extension for Assistant Principal, Vicki Dunphy, for the 2019-2020 School Year. All ayes: Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Carlson and seconded by Janssen to approve Non-Certified Employees' Salary Increase for the 2019-2020 School Year. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Howard to approve the Intent to Retire for Suzanne Burger (effective at the end of the 2021-2022 School Year). All ayes: Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Carlson to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Sterling Public Schools for renewal of Swim Team Co-op Program. All ayes: Lillpop, Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Information Items

First Reading of 2019-2020 Student Handbook Revisions

Mrs. Dunphy presented the first reading of the 2019-2020 Student Handbook Revisions.

2019 Financial Profile

Mr. McCord reported that RFHS received a Financial Profile Score of 3.80 which places the district in the highest category of Financial Recognition based upon the 2017-2018 Annual Finance Report Data.

Spring Sports Participation Report

Mr. Montgomery presented the Spring Sports Participation Report.

Summer Camp Schedule

Mr. Montgomery presented the Summer Camp Schedule.

2019-2020 School Calendar Update

Mr. McCord informed the Board Members that originally April 15, 2020 was scheduled to be a Half-Day School Improvement Day. However, due to State Wide Testing scheduled on that day, April 15, 2020 will become a full day of attendance. The Half-Day School Improvement Day will be moved to April 14, 2020.

Property Tax Relief Grant Update

RFHS Board Members have applied for and received a Property Tax Relief Grant from the Illinois State Board of Education in the amount of \$488,141.59, based on an abatement of \$507,601.85 in taxes. It is anticipated that RFHS should receive the Property Tax Relief Grant with the May, 2019 Evidence Based Fund Payment.

12th Avenue Bridge Closure (IDOT) June 14, 2019 – August 5, 2019

Mr. McCord updated the Board Members on the 12th Avenue Bridge Closure.

FOIA Request

None

Calendar Items

Calendar Items were listed on the agenda.

Other

Handouts

Mr. McCord gave the Board Members handouts for the following items: New Board Member Workshop pamphlet; Email - Educational Seminar – Benefits of a Health Saving Account (HSA); Athletic/Activities Calendar for April 29, 2019 – May 4, 2019; Email - Second chance: View the Trends in Collective Bargaining Workshop; IASB Legislative Alert (101-3); Email - Primetime Webinar focuses on student mental health; Email - That's a School Board Thing; Email - IPPFA Benefits; IASB 2019-2020 Joint Annual Conference Information; Resolution 2019 Delegate Assembly; Email - IASB – New Board Members; Here is the First Step.

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Matt Lillpop to enter into a Closed Session meeting to discuss: The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific School District Employees at 7:46 p.m. All ayes: Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, and Gaulrapp. Also in attendance were: Superintendent Ron McCord, Athletic/Activities Director Mr. Montgomery, Principal Berentes, Coach Bryan Berogan, and Administrative Assistant Toni Cain.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen to adjourn the Closed Session meeting at 8:00 p.m. All ayes: Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Lewis, and Gaulrapp.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Carlson and seconded by Jacobs to adjourn the Regular Session meeting at 8:00 p.m. All ayes: Lewis, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, and Gaulrapp.

MOTION CARRIED

President

Secretary