

February 19, 2020

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

The Regular Session meeting of the Rock Falls Township High School Board of Education was called to order on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 137 at Rock Falls Township High School by President Gaulrapp. Members present: Gaulrapp, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen. Board Members Absent: Carlson, Lewis, and Lillpop.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen 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; Matters Related to Student Discipline; and Matters Related to Litigation at 6:35 p.m. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Gaulrapp. Absent: Board Members Carlson, Lewis, and Lillpop. Also in attendance were: Superintendent Ron McCord, Principal Mike Berentes, Assistant Principal Vicki Dunphy, Hearing Officer Rich Montgomery, and Superintendent Administrative Assistant Toni Cain. **MOTION CARRIED**

Board Member Lillpop entered the Closed Session Meeting at 6:52 p.m.

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen to adjourn the Closed Session meeting at 7:02 p.m. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Open Session Resumed at 7:03 p.m.

Superintendent McCord informed the Board Members the February 19, 2020 Board Agenda would need to be amended. On the original agenda Action Item 3. 3.1 was placed under the wrong heading on the agenda. It was placed under Section G by mistake. The amended agenda will have this item under Section I Superintendent's Report – Action Items. Superintendent McCord also informed the Board Members that the addition of Jose Oquendo Volunteer Boys/Girls Track Coach was made to the consent agenda under personnel item F.14.

A motion was made by Janssen and seconded by Howard to approve the amended agenda. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Howard, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

A motion was made by Howard and seconded by Jacobs to approve the January 15, 2020 Regular and Closed Session Board Minutes; and the February 10, 2020 Finance Committee Minutes. Consent Agenda: Imprest Fund Report, Financial Reports, and Interfund Loan Report, the January Supplemental Bills: Education Fund \$99,517.41, O & M Fund \$14,150.64, Bond and Interest Fund \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$395.58, Municipal Retirement Fund \$0.00. January 15, 2020 Payroll \$131,083.42, January 28, 2020 Payroll \$136,298.41, Health/Life Safety Fund \$0.00, Debt Services Fund \$0.00 Tort Fund \$691.00 and Working Cash \$0.00, Capital Projects \$0.00, February Bills: Education Fund \$72,557.45, O & M Fund \$15,096.04, Bond and Interest \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$28,092.44, Working Cash Fund \$0.00, Debt Services Fund \$0.00 Health/Life Safety Fund \$0.00, Tort Fund \$8,840.07, and Capital Projects Fund \$2,981.45. Approval was also granted for the following items:

- Personnel – Employment of Volunteer Boys/Girls Track Coach Jose Oquendo.
- Suspension Summary for January 6, 2020 through January 31, 2020.
- Destruction of Closed Session Meeting Audio Recordings from July 18, 2018 and August 15, 2018.
- Approval of the School Board Policy Amendments – PRESS Plus Issue – None.
- Approval of PE Waiver Student List for 2019-2020 Second Semester - None.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Hearing of Representatives, Correspondence, and Audience Comments
No report from the Association President Derick Cox.

Academic Spotlight

Derick Cox presented information from the Industrial Technology Department.

Activity Spotlight

Deena Gallentine presented information from the Math Team.

Committee Reports

The Finance Committee met on February 10, 2020 to discuss Matters Related to Personnel.

The Superintendent's Report – Action Items

Motion by Janssen and seconded by Lillpop to approve the Employment of Alexander Leaf Business Teacher beginning 2020-2021 school year. All ayes: Lillpop, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Lillpop to approve the Revised 2020-2021 School Fees. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

Items Resulting from Closed Session

Motion by Janssen and seconded by Jacobs to approve the Expulsion of Student #984265436 for the Remainder of the 2019-2020 School Year and the Entire 2020-2021 School Year. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Lillpop, Howard, and Gaulrapp.

MOTION CARRIED

Information Items

2019-2020 Certified and Support Staff Seniority List

The Seniority Lists were provided to the Board Members.

Whiteside County Statement of Economic Interest

Mr. McCord reminded the Board Members to complete and return the Statement of Economic Interest Form to Toni Cain.

Bond Paying Agent & Registrar Services Change

Mr. McCord stated the Bank of New York Mellon closed its St. Louis office. RFHS was contacted by Matthew Biere who previously handled the schools accounts at the Bank of New York Mellon. Mr. Biere has offered to continue to provide the same level of service on the bond accounts at his new bank Zions Bank in St. Louis. By switching to Zions Bank, RFHS will save \$250.00 per bond issuance. This item will be on the March Board Agenda.

FOIA Request

Mr. Nathan Mihelich, Illinois Retired Teachers Association, requested the name and email address of any certified staff members who are retiring this year.

Calendar Items

Calendar Items were listed on the agenda.

Other

Mr. McCord spoke with Russ Siefken and Betty Clementz. It has been decided that the Relay for Life usually held at Hinders Field (depending on the weather) will now be permanently held at Westwood. By moving it indoors at Westwood, the event will no longer be cancelled due to weather.

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Howard to adjourn the Regular Session meeting at 7:25 p.m. All ayes: Janssen, Lillpop, Howard, Jacobs, and Gaulrapp. **MOTION CARRIED**

President

Secretary