

May 17, 2017

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

The Regular Session meeting of the Rock Falls Township High School Board of Education was called to order on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, at 6:15 p.m. in Room 137 at Rock Falls Township High School by President Gaulrapp. Members present: Carlson, Gaulrapp, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Lewis. Absent: Board Member Mulvaney.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Election of Officers and Terms of Office – Election of Board President (Continued from the April 26, 2017 Reorganizational Meeting of Newly-Elected Board of Education)

Merle Gaulrapp was nominated for the office of President to serve for a two-year term. Mike Lewis was nominated for the office of President to serve for a two-year term.

After a voice vote, Board Members Howard, Jacobs, and Gaulrapp voted for Gaulrapp. Board Members Carlson, Janssen, and Lewis voted for Lewis.

Superintendent McCord asked if either Board Member Gaulrapp or Board Member Lewis would like to step down as a candidate. Neither candidate volunteered to step down. Per the IASB a flip of the coin would determine the Board President. Board Member Lewis won the flip of the coin so he will be the Board President until the next Reorganizational Meeting in April 2019.

A motion was made by Jacobs and seconded by Carlson 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; Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; Litigation affecting the public body that is probable or imminent at 6:23 p.m. All ayes: Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp and Lewis. Also in attendance were: Superintendent Ron McCord, Principal Mike Berentes, and Supt. Administrative Assistant Toni Cain. **MOTION CARRIED**

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

Open session resumed at 7:03 p.m.

A motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Janssen to approve the agenda. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, and Lewis. **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. April Supplemental Bills: Education Fund \$233,995.43, O & M Fund \$0.00, Bond and Interest Fund \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$914.23, Municipal Retirement Fund \$0.00, April 13, 2017 Payroll \$123,320.37, April 26, 2017 Payroll \$125,177.58, Health/Life Safety Fund \$0.00, Debt Services Fund \$0.00, Tort Fund \$18,664.72 and Working Cash \$0.00,

Capital Projects \$0.00. May Current Bills: Education Fund \$107,243.54, O & M Fund \$45,581.45, Bond and Interest \$0.00, Transportation Fund \$26,245.99, Working Cash Fund \$0.00, Debt Services Fund \$0.00, Health/Life Safety Fund \$0.00, Tort Fund \$15,054.86 and Capital Projects Fund \$63,049.53. Approval was also granted for the following items:

- Personnel – Building and Grounds Summer Help Full-Time (Denise Mosher, Kim Bellows, Mindy Teske, Paul Chromek, Debbie Loy, and Mark Johnson) and Part-Time (Amanda Hollowell, Doris Fortney, Vincent Teske, Logan Pillars is replacing Rollie Elder, Jordan Giddings, Michael Berentes, and adding Darcy Feather to the list).
- Suspension Summary Report
- Destruction of Closed Session Meeting Audio Recording from October 21, 2015
- Approval of Second Reading of School Board Policy Amendments – PRESS Plus Issue 94, March 2017.

Policy: 2:100 Board Member Conflict of Interest
 3:70 Succession of Authority
 4:15 Identity Protection
 4:130-E Free and Reduced-Price Food Services; Meal Charge
 Notifications
 5:120 Employee Ethics; Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
 5:230 Maintaining Student Discipline
 5:285 Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle
 Drivers
 5:300 Schedules and Employment Year
 6:70 Teaching About Religions
 7:100 Health and Eye Examinations; Immunization; and Exclusion of
 Students

Policies Under 5-Year Review (No Change)

Policy: 4:180 Pandemic Preparedness
 5:70 Religious Holidays
 5:80 Court Duty
 5:110 Recognition for Service
 5:140 Solicitations By or From Staff
 5:210 Resignations
 5:320 Evaluation
 6:185 Remote Educational Program (N/A to RFHS)

All ayes: Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Hearing of Representatives, Correspondence, and Audience Comments

Deena Gallentine informed the Board Members that the May Board meeting would be her last one as the President of the Association. Kelly Schaefer and Amy Sigel will be the new co-Presidents for the 2017-2018 school year.

A student addressed the Board Members in regards to a dress code violation with her prom dress and her belief in the unfairness of her consequences.

Academic Spotlight

Lori Kyger presented information from the English Department.

Student Activity

Lori Kyger presented information from the National Honor Society.

Senior Survey Presentation

The senior class completed a survey. Four senior students presented the results of that survey to the Board Members. Questions ranged from academic, workforce, trade schools, attending extracurricular events, increase participation in clubs, updates to the building, changes to the cafeteria, and students overall experience at RFHS.

Committee Reports

The Finance Committee met on Monday, May 15, 2017, to discuss Superintendent's Report – Action Items I. 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, and 4.

The Superintendent's Report – Action Items

Motion by Howard and seconded by Janssen to approve the Second Reading of 2017-2018 Student Handbook Revisions. All ayes: Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Carlson to approve the 2017-2018 Bus Contract Renewal with First Student. All ayes: Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Action Items Resulted from Closed Session

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Janssen to approve the 2017-2022 Teachers' Collective Bargaining Agreement. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Gaulrapp and seconded by Carlson to approve the 2017-2018 Contract Revision and Extension for Principal. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Gaulrapp to approve the 2017-2018 Contract Extension for Assistant Principal. All ayes: Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Janssen and seconded by Carlson to approve the 2017-2018 Non-Certified Employee 5% (Five) Salary Increase. All ayes: Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Jacobs and seconded by Carlson to approve the Employment of Band/Choir Director – Patrick Anderson. All ayes: Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Janssen and seconded by Jacobs to approve the Five-Year Lease Agreement with Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc. for the Lease of Three (3) New (2017) Activity Buses. All ayes: Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, and Lewis. **MOTION CARRIED**

Information Items

Summer School Update

The following classes are being offered for summer school: Math, English, and Classroom Driver's Education.

Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2017-2018

Mr. McCord presented the Board of Education Meeting dates for the 2017-2018 school year.

Building and Grounds Summer Projects Update

Bryan Berogan updated the Board Members on the summer projects. Installing air-conditioning in classrooms, band room addition, and the main office remodel will begin May 24, 2017.

School Board Committee Assignments

Mr. McCord stated Board President Lewis would report back on the new committee assignments. These will be effective for the next two years until the April 2019 Board Election.

Recent FOIA Requests

The Illinois Retired Teachers' Association requested the names and addresses of the retiring staff and email addresses for all staff members.

Calendar Items

Calendar Items were listed on the agenda.

Other

Please see Toni Cain for your graduation robes.

A motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Gaulrapp to enter into a Closed Session meeting to discuss: Litigation affecting the public body that is probable or imminent at 7:47 p.m. All ayes: Jacobs, Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, and Lewis. Also in attendance were: Superintendent Ron McCord and Supt. Administrative Assistant Toni Cain.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Carlson and seconded by Jacobs to adjourn the Closed Session meeting at 8:20 p.m. All ayes: Janssen, Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, and Lewis.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Carlson and seconded by Jacobs to adjourn the Regular Session meeting at 8:21 p.m. All ayes: Gaulrapp, Carlson, Howard, Jacobs, Janssen, and Lewis.

MOTION CARRIED

President

Secretary