



Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education

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MINUTES

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August 11, 2014

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

LOCATION: Thomas A. Lenk Educational Center, 510 Peach Street, Wisc. Rapids, WI 54494
Conf. Rm. A/B

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Krings, Larry Davis, Sandra Hett, Mary Rayome, John Benbow

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Anne Lee, Katie Medina

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Colleen Dickmann, Daniel Weigand, Kathi Stebbins-Hintz, Ryan Christianson, Trudy DeSimons, Ed Allison

MEDIA PRESENT: Jesse Austin – River Cities Community Access

President John Krings called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by John Benbow to approve special closed session Board of Education meeting minutes of July 14, 2014; regular Board of Education meeting minutes of July 14, 2014; and special open and closed session Board of Education meeting minutes of August 4, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from Citizens and Delegations

None.

Committee Reports

A. Business Services Committee – August 4, 2014. Report given by John Benbow.

Mr. Benbow reviewed the following consent agenda items brought before the Board through the Business Services Committee, and asked if there were any motions to be held:

BS-1 Approval of a proposal for the 66.03.01 cooperative agreement for students attending the Virtual program from the Stevens Point School District.

BS-2 Approval of a proposal for the purchase of custodial supplies as listed on the Custodial Supply Bid Summary.

Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Larry Davis to approve consent agenda items BS 1-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Benbow provided updates and reports on purchases made from Saxon Homeschool (Houghton Mifflin) for annual elementary math consumable workbooks to accompany the Math Expressions program; Building Blocks Learning Center rent for housing the Early Childhood program for 2014-15; and VeriTime time and attendance management software. The Committee requested verification of the monthly charges for phone service charged by Building Blocks Learning Center in addition to the increase for rent, and to place the VeriTime software proposal on the August 11, 2014 Board agenda for possible action.

Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the balance of the Business Services Committee report and minutes of the regular August 4, 2014 Business Services Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports (continued)**B. Personnel Services Committee – August 4, 2014.** Report given by Sandra Hett.

Ms. Hett reviewed the following consent agenda items brought before the Board through the Personnel Services Committee, and asked if there were any motions to be held.

- PS-1 Approval of the professional staff resignation request of Duane Braun (Technology Education – Lincoln/East), pending receipt of \$300.00 in liquidated damages.
- PS-2 Approval of the professional staff resignation request of John Bemis (Teacher – River Cities), pending receipt of \$500.00 in liquidated damages.
- PS-3 Approval of the support staff resignation requests of Christina Strand (Special Ed Aide – Woodside), and Michael Lytle (Custodian – East).
- PS-4 Approval of the professional staff appointments of Leah Boon (Counselor – Mead), Jennifer Gaska (Special Ed – THINK), and Jeremy Radtke (Technology Education – Lincoln/East).
- PS-5 Approval of the support staff appointments of Kathleen Pyburn (Cashier – East), Keith Wosick (Relief Custodian – District), and Dennis Fenske (Night Custodian – East).

Motion by Sandra Hett, seconded by Mary Rayome to approve consent agenda items PS 1-5. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sandra Hett, seconded by Mary Rayome to approve regular Personnel Services Committee meeting minutes of August 4, 2014 as presented, and special open and closed session Personnel Services Committee meeting minutes of August 6, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Educational Services Committee – August 4, 2014. Report given by Mary Rayome.

Ms. Rayome reviewed the following consent agenda items brought before the Board through the Educational Services Committee, and asked if there were any motions to be held:

- ES-1 Approval of the recommended changes to Board Policy 347 RULE (1) – Guidelines for the Control and Maintenance of Student Records, and 347 EXHIBIT – Request to Disclose Directory Information, for first reading.
- ES-2 Approval of releasing all juniors and seniors at 12:30 p.m. on October 30, 2014, for the administration of the WKCE to sophomores.

Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by Larry Davis to approve consent agenda items ES 1-2. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Rayome provided updates and reports on:

- A course recently taught by Rick Merdan, Business-Education Partnership Committee member; and Ronald Rasmussen, Principal of Lincoln; to local educators called *Business and Education: A Partnership*.
- Professional Development activities planned for September 26, 2014, including an assembly of professional staff to hear and work directly with keynote speaker Rick Wormeli. Mr. Wormeli's instruction will be critical and inspiring as the need for common assessments across grade levels and disciplines becomes more paramount for teachers, including requirements of Student Learning Objectives (SLOs), more rigorous state assessments, building expectations for Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) and the movement toward standardized grading.
- A summarized report on the District's annual seclusion and/or restraint incidents for the 2013-14 school year.

Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by Larry Davis to approve the balance of the Educational Services Committee report and minutes of the August 4, 2014, Educational Services Committee meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

None.

Legislative Agenda

Ms. Rayome provided the following updates:

- Primary elections are set for Tuesday, August 12th.
- Concerns about property taxes have prompted lawmakers to look at other ways to fund the state's 16 technical college districts, which encompass 48 campuses. As they look at funding changes, they are also considering changes that could reduce local control of technical colleges. A special Legislative Council Study Committee is looking into both aspects of technical colleges.
- State Supt. Tony Evers announced the award of grants totaling more than \$8.1 million to support 51 charter schools in Wisconsin for the 2014-15 school year. Funding for these charter school awards is provided through a multi-year federal grant Wisconsin won in 2009 worth a total of \$86 million. In 1993, Wisconsin became one of the first states to authorize the creation of charter schools, and has continually ranked in the top 10 states nationwide for the number of charter schools. During the 2013-14 school year, 242 charter schools were in operation serving 45,078 students. Charter schools are public schools and are accountable to the locally elected school board or authorizing agency that approved their charter contract. Charter schools must employ licensed teachers, involve parents, administer statewide tests, and comply with federal regulations that govern all public schools.

Bills

Motion by Mary Rayome, seconded by Larry Davis to note July, 2014 receipts in the amount of \$1,173,876.75 and approve June, 2014 disbursements in the amount of \$254,864.46 from June, 2013-14 books; and July, 2014 disbursements in the amount of \$2,673,837.39 from July, 2014-15 books. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

New BusinessEmployee Retirements, Resignations, and Appointments

Ryan Christianson, Director of Human Resources, presented the following recommended resignation and appointment:

<i>Resignation:</i>	Jayson Jackson Title VII Indian Education Coordinator - District Effective August 4, 2014
<i>Appointment:</i>	Cassandra Magle Grade 3 Teacher - Mead (1.0 FTE) <i>one-year contract</i> Salary: \$36,500.00

Motion by Larry Davis, seconded by Mary Rayome to approve of the recommended resignation of Jayson Jackson, and appointment of Cassandra Magle. Motion carried unanimously.

VeriTime Electronic Time Tracking and Processing Software

Daniel Weigand, Director of Business Services, reviewed the proposal made to the Business Services Committee on August 4, 2014 to purchase and implement the VeriTime electronic time tracking and processing software. Mr. Benbow explained that following the presentation at the Business Services Committee meeting, the Committee is in favor of implementing the time tracking system. The Board had an opportunity to ask questions concerning the recommendation.

Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Larry Davis to approve of the purchase and implementation of the VeriTime attendance management software system at an annual subscription fee of \$8,500.00 and a one-time cost of \$3,100.00 for implementation, configuration, training, scanners and bar code software. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Custodial, Maintenance, and Computer Technicians AFSCME Local 1075 Tentative Agreement

Ryan Christianson explained that the Personnel Services Committee has been meeting with the Custodial, Maintenance, and Computer Technicians Local 1075 bargaining unit for negotiations. The parties have reached a

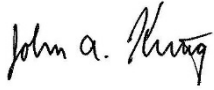
tentative agreement of a 1.46% wage increase for employees effective July 1, 2014 which is being recommended for Board approval.

Motion by John Benbow, seconded by Larry Davis to approve of the tentative agreement reached with the Custodial, Maintenance, and Computer Technicians AFSCME Local 1075 which calls for a 1.46% wage increase effective July 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

Calendar

Calendar items were reviewed.

President Krings adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.



John A. Krings – President

Maurine Hodgson – Secretary

Larry Davis – Clerk