

Wisconsin Rapids Board of Education

Personnel Services Committee

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Sandra Hett, Chair Anne Lee Mary Rayome John Krings, President

October 5, 2015

Location: Board of Education, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Conference Room C

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Sandra Hett, Anne Lee, and Mary Rayome

Administration Present: Ryan Christianson and Glenn Haupt

Call to Order

Committee Chair, Sandra Hett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Actionable Items

A. Resignations

PS – 1 A motion was made by Anne Lee and seconded by Mary Rayome to recommend approval of the following professional staff resignation pursuant to receipt of liquidated damages:

Joel Kuehnhold Location: Lincoln High School

Position: Agriculture Teacher

On a roll call vote, motion passed 2 - 1. Sandra Hett voted no.

PS – 2 A motion was made by Mary Rayome and seconded by Anne Lee to recommend approval of the following support staff resignation:

Dana Freeman Location: Woodside Elementary School

Position: Special Education Aide

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Retirement

PS – 3 A motion by Anne Lee and seconded by Mary Rayome to recommend approval of the following professional staff early retirement request:

Nina Pelo Location: Lincoln High School

Position: Language Arts

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Appointments

PS – 4 A motion by Mary Rayome and seconded by Anne Lee to recommend approval of the following support staff appointments:

Hannah Larkin Location: East Junior High School

Position: Faculty Clerk/In-House Aide

Karey Netz Location: Woodside Elementary School

Position: Special Education Aide

Cheryl Hayes Location: Woodside Elementary School

Position: Special Education Aide

Julie Lieber Location: WRAMS

Position: Instructional Aide

Samantha Richardson Location: East Junior High School

Position: Special Education Aide

Dana Laskowski Location: Woodside Elementary School

Position: Special Education Aide

Christine Staffon Location: Vesper Community Academy

Position: Secretary

Jennifer Molepske Location: Mead Elementary School

Position: Health/Office Aide

Kristeen Ratsch Location: WRAMS

Position: Special Education Aide – One on One

Julie Olsen Location: Vesper Community Academy

Position: Health/Office Aide

Yvonne Bujanowski Location: Vesper Community Academy

Position: Library Aide/Noon Aide/Instructional Aide

Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Updates and Reports

A. Employee Assistance Program

Mr. Christianson updated the Committee on the school district's utilization of the Employee Assistance Program (EAP).

B. Handbook and Contract Changes

The Committee reviewed Handbook and individual contract language related to liquidated damages for breach of contract by professional staff and discussed the possibility of increasing the amounts which currently range from \$300 to \$750. The Committee endorsed having the administration work on a proposal to increase the monetary requirements for liquidated damages. A proposal will be brought back for consideration and possible action at a future meeting.

The Committee discussed current Handbook language regarding the post-employment insurance benefit for professional staff, relative to mid-year early retirement requests. The Committee expressed concern about potential future early retirement requests if it were to include a retirement date that would occur prior to the end of the contracted school year. The Committee requested that the administration work on a potential revision to Professional Staff Employee Handbook language that would require professional staff to work the full contracted year, in the year of their retirement, in order for them to be eligible to receive the post-employment insurance benefit. A proposal for revisions will be developed and brought back for consideration and possible action at a future meeting.

V. Consent Agenda

Motions: PS - 1 Professional Staff Resignation

PS - 2 Support Staff Resignation
PS - 3 Professional Early Retirement
PS - 4 Support Staff Appointments

VI. Adjournment

Ms. Hett adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.