

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT #139
APPROVED MINUTES
OF REGULAR SCHOOL
BOARD MEETING
JULY 19, 2018**

Chairperson Folkema called the Regular School Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in Room 201 at the Rush City High School.

Roll Call

Board Members present: Scott Tryon, Stefanie Folkema, Matt Meissner, Jennifer Widell, Becky LaMont, Teri Umbreit. Others in attendance: Brent Stavig, High School Principal; Staci Souhan, CE Jacobson Principal; Laureen Frost, Business Manager; Jeanne Korf, Facilities Director, and other interested parties.

Approval of Regular School Board Meeting Agenda

Motion #07118 by Umbreit seconded by Tryon approving the Regular School Board Meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion #07218 by Tryon seconded by Widell approving the following Consent Agenda items:

Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting of June 28, 2018

Bills, obligations, and invoices totaling \$1,115,973.25 for Rush City and \$636,905.39 for SCRED.

Approve Personnel

Rush City ISD #139

Employment of Susan Kilian (Thomas), Elementary Music Teacher to begin Fall 2018.

Employment of Melissa Raymond, Elementary Title One Teacher, to begin Fall 2018.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Item(s) Removed From Consent Agenda

N/A

Recognition/Policy Review

Policy Review – First Reading

None

Policy Review - Second Reading:

Policy #903 – Visitors to School District Buildings and Sites

Annual Policy Review:

Policy #410 Family and Medical Leave

Policy #413 Harassment and Violence

Policy #414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse

Policy #506 Student Discipline

Policy #514 Bully Prevention

Policy #522 Student Sex Non-discrimination

Policy #524 Internet Acceptable Use and Safety

Policy #616 School District System Accountability

Policy #806 Crisis Management

Motion #07318 by Widell seconded by Meissner to approve second readings and annual review. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Information

Motion #07418 by Umbreit seconded by Tryon to approve List of Fundraisers. Motion carried unanimously.

Laureen Frost provided a brief update regarding preparation for the audit.

Motion #07518 by Umbreit seconded by Meissner designating Business Manager and Superintendent for making electronic fund transfers for Rush City School District.

Communications

None

Reports

Positive Points – High School

Priority Area 1: Achieve Academic Excellence

- Staff handbook updates

- o Guidance and consistency for staff

- o Clear expectations

Priority Area 2: Foster a Positive and Safe Environment

- PBIS Team is registered and prepared for August training.

- Media Center Transformation

- o Southern free standing shelves moved out

- o Cleaning and assembling furniture this week

- o Vision and proposal for additional staff, possibilities include:

- Maker-spaces

- Zero Hour – Guided independent studies

- School store

- Enhance peer tutor program and student assistance

Priority Area 3: Financial Stability to Support the District Mission

- Continue to seek ways to reduce expenditures while enhancing opportunities for our learners.

- Seek grant opportunities

Priority Area 4: Strengthen Community Relationships

- Continue to be visible and involved with community activities and organizations throughout the summer

Current Challenge

- Media Center Transformation

- 18/19 Planning

- Help as I am able to welcome and assist new staff

Positive Points – CE Jacobson

Priority Area 1: Achieve Academic Excellence

- Our continued focus for 2018-2019 will be on quality instruction and improving our professional practice to improve student achievement.

- We will pay particular attention to consistency when implementing all curriculum and structures with fidelity.

Priority Area 2: Foster a Positive and Safe Environment

- We will be reviewing the school safety practices. I am looking forward to working with the new SRO.

- I will focus on getting to know my colleagues in and out of the classroom.

Priority Area 3: Financial Stability to Support the District Mission

- I am reviewing budget items and ensuring we are aligned to meet our student and staff needs while staying fiscally responsible.

- We have hired or are in the process of hiring four staff members:

- o Music Teacher

- o ADSIS Coordinator

- o Title Teacher

- o EC Para/Kindergarten Interventionist

Priority Area 4: Strengthen Community Relationships

- I plan to participate in the Chicago County Parade with the PTO group on Saturday.

- I am hoping to get more information and join the Tiger Classic in some fashion.

Challenges:

- Seeing positive change without adding any new initiatives.

- Tiger-Care door security in the morning.

Updates

None

Meetings Attended

None

Old Business

A. Motion #07618 by Tryon seconded by Umbreit approving TIES Resolution for Member Districts Approving Reorganization.

B. Motion #07718 by Tryon seconded by Umbreit approving District Health Insurance Plan.

Role call results: In favor Members Folkema, Umbreit, Tryon, Widell and LaMont. Member Meissner abstained from vote. Motion carried.

New Business

A. Jeanne Korf presented Long Term Facilities Maintenance Plan to include FY19 LTFM & Health Safety Plan, LTFM 10 Year Expenditure Plan, FY19 LTFM Ten-Year Revenue Projection.

B. Motion #07818 by Tryon seconded by LaMont to approve the FY19 LTFM Ten-Year Revenue Projection. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Statement of Assurances were distributed to all School Board Members.

D. CE Jacobson Staff and Student Handbooks presented by Principal Souhan for School Board review.

E. High School Student and Staff Handbooks presented by Principal Stavig for School Board review.

F. Activities Student / Parent and Coaches Handbooks were shared with the school board for review

G. Transportation Handbook was shared with the School Board for review.

H. Motion #07918 by Tryon seconded by Umbreit to approve the MSHSL Volunteer Coaches for Fall Season 2018. Motion carried unanimously

I. Motion #071018 by Meissner seconded by LaMont designating Staci Souhan as Title One Program LEA for Rush City School District. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Motion #071118 by Tryon seconded by LaMont approving Rush City School District Referendum Resolution. All School Board Members voted in favor approving the Referendum of \$900 per pupil unit for seven years.

Calendar

Regular School Board Meeting

High School Room 201 8/16/18

5:30 PM

Adjournment

Motion #071218 by Umbreit seconded by LaMont adjourning the Regular Board meeting at 6:35 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Tryon, Clerk

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