

**RICE LAKE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
700 AUGUSTA STREET  
RICE LAKE, WI 54868**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR SESSION  
Monday, March 27, 2017  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**MINUTES**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education of the Rice Lake Area School District met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 27, 2017 in the Board Room of the Rice Lake Area School District Administration Building, 700 Augusta Street, Rice Lake, Wisconsin, with Keven Jensen, President presiding.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Present - Board Members: Tami Alberg, Steve Bowman, Don Cuskey, Joshua Estreen, Keven Jensen, Doug Kucko, Bert Richard, Bill Schmitzer, Gary Spear  
Absent- NA  
Others Present- Randy Drost, superintendent; Micci Booth, student representative
- III. **NOTICE OF POSTING:** President, Keven Jensen announced the Board hereby finds communication and public notice of the open meeting, as required by section 19.84 of the Wisconsin Statutes, had been properly given by the presiding officer's designee, Patrick Blackaller. Such a notice and agenda to the official newspaper, the Rice Lake Chronotype, to the Eau Claire Leader-Telegram, and to radio stations WJMC and WAQE, indicating the date, time, and place of the meeting and such notice was given more than 24 hours prior to the meeting.
- IV. **APPEARANCES:** No appearances were made.
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES [action]:** Doug Kucko and Bill Schmitzer motioned to approve the regular session and closed session meeting minutes from Monday, March 13, 2017. All present voting yes. Approved.
- VI. **CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Gary Spear and Doug Kucko motioned to approve the consent agenda. All present voting yes. Motion approved.  
**A. Employment Resignations:**  
1. Holly Eckhoff, Playground Aide at Tainter Elem.  
**B. Employment Recommendations:** N/A
- VII. **COMMENDATIONS:**  
**A. RLASD Student Recognition:** Building principals and staff commended the following students and identified their areas of achievement for the month of March 2017.

<b>Student</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Parent(s):</b>
Dorothy Grundin	RLMS	6	Jennifer and Eric Grundin
Andy Tschernach	Haugen Elem.	K	John and Breanna Tschernach
Dominik Jones	Tainter Elem.	K	Michael and Amber Jones
Alexandra (Allie) Bearhart	RLHS	12	Ranelle Dupont

## VIII. REPORTS:

- A. Child Development Day Update-Amber Redlich:** Pupil Services Secretary Amber Redlich provided an update on Child Development Day held on Friday, March 10, 2017.
- B. 2017-2018 Preliminary Staffing Report-first reading-Patrick Blackaller:** Administrators provided an update on the preliminary 2017-2018 Staffing Report.
- C. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY BORROWING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000,000 PURSUANT TO SECTION 67.12(8), WIS. STATS. -Patrick Blackaller [action]:** The board reviewed the resolution.

Gary Spear and Doug Kucko motion to adopt the RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY BORROWING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000,000 PURSUANT TO SECTION 67.12(8), WIS. STATS. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

- D. Safety Committee Meeting Update-Josh Estreen:** The Safety Committee met on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. The committee reviewed and discussed the quick reference sheets; as well as the administrative quick reference guide flipcharts. They also discussed conducting a tabletop exercise. Josh Estreen provided an update from the meeting.
- E. BOE Curriculum Committee Meeting Update-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Curriculum Committee met on Tuesday, March 21, 2017. The committee discussed 8-12 social studies realignment; and reviewed a 6-12 curriculum writing process. They also received a bilingual/ESL presentation. Keven Jensen provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
- **Override BOE Rule #331, New Course Procedures and Timeline [action]:** The board reviewed a new course proposal pertaining to changes in the social studies curriculum for 2017-2018 at the 8<sup>th</sup> grade level. The timeline to implement this for the 2017-18 school year required an override of Board of Education Rule #331, New Course Procedures and Timeline. Don Cuskey and Gary Spear motion to approve US History be taught in 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade for 2017-2018 and beginning with 2018 only to be taught in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
  - **School Assignment [action]:** A proposal was brought forth and discussed to assign elementary Bilingual/ESL students for the 2017-2018 school year so that they are located in one elementary school instead of two. Bert Richard and Bill Schmitzer motion to approve the school assignments as proposed. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- F. BOE Policy Committee Meeting Update-first reading-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Policy Committee met on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. The committee reviewed the following policies and they are now going to the full board as a first reading: #652 Policy, Revenues from Investments; #672 Policy, Purchasing; #672 Rule, Purchasing Guidelines; #672.2 Policy, Quantity Purchasing; #672.3 Policy, Local Purchasing; #731.1 Policy, Locker Room Privacy; #751 Policy, Student Transportation Services; #751 Rule, Student Transportation Guidelines; #751.4

~~Policy, Student Transportation in Alternative Vehicles~~; #821.5 Policy, District Use of Social Media; #840 Policy, Public Gifts to the Schools; #840 Rule, Guidelines for Accepting Gifts to the Schools; #850 Policy, Public Solicitations; #850 Rule, Guidelines for Lottery/Lottery-Type Activities; #860 Policy, Visitors in the Schools; #860 Rule, Visitors to the Schools Procedures

Keven Jensen provide an update from the meeting. Also, Randy Drost shared that he is recommending policy #751.1 go back to the committee for more discussion.

**IX. INFORMATION:**

**A. Five-year School Self-Evaluation Summary for Status of Pupil**

**Nondiscrimination (PI 9.06):** Randy Drost reviewed the information as prepared by Director of Pupil Services Susan Strouf.

**B. Feed My People Update:** Randy Drost provided an update on the progress of the group. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. The Boys and Girls Club will be sponsoring the program. Steve Bowman shared that Noon Rotary will match the first \$5,000 in donations. Currently, \$3,000 from outside sources has been pledged.

**C. Upcoming Meeting Schedule:** The Board reviewed a schedule of upcoming meetings.

**X. BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- Bill Schmitzer commended the French Club for a successful garage sale held last weekend.

**XI. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS:**

- Student Representative Micci Booth questioned when the tennis court refinishing would be complete.
- Solo Ensemble is Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Prom will be held in one month, April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> is Community Service Day.

**XII. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:**

- Randy Drost commended Dr. Dipesh Navsaria on his presentations held on Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup> for staff and the community on early brain and child development.

**XIII. MEETING ADJOURNED:** Bill Schmitzer and Doug Kucko motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk