

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
Monday, April 10, 2017
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

MINUTES

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education of the Rice Lake Area School District met in regular session at 7:01 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 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, Bill Schmitzer, Gary Spear
Absent- Doug Kucko, Bert Richard
Others Present- Randy Drost, superintendent; Isabelle Thurston, 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]:** Bill Schmitzer and Don Cuskey motioned to approve the regular session meeting minutes from Monday, March 27, 2017. All present voting yes. Approved.
- VI. **CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Steve Bowman and Bill Schmitzer motioned to approve the consent agenda. All present voting yes. Don Cuskey abstained. Motion approved.
- A. Monthly Budget and Cash Reconciliation Report**
- B. Monthly Board Bills**
- C. Employment Resignations:**
1. Stanley Koenig, Custodian at RLMS, for retirement purposes, 17 years of service, effective May 31, 2017.
 2. Kelly Prytz, MS Yearbook Advisor, effective June 8, 2017
 3. Angela Stoykovich, MS Yearbook Advisor, effective June 8, 2017
- D. Employment Recommendations:**
1. Jackie Giedd, Special Education Work Experience Teacher, effective the 2017-2018 school year
 2. Kathy Dellinger, Part-time Classroom/Noon Aide at Tainter Elem.
 3. Alex Cuskey, Boys' Golf Assistant Coach for 2016-2017

COMMENDATIONS:

E. Staff Excellence Award: Each month a staff member is nominated by the administrative team to be recognized for their excellence in the education of children in the RLASD. For the month of April 2017 the board recognized Dan Smith, District Maintenance. Dan was presented with a plaque along with a Chamber certificate.

F. Tami Alberg Service to the Board of Education-Keven Jensen/Randy Drost: The Board commended Tami Alberg for her service on the Board of Education.

VII. REPORTS:

A. BOE Finance Committee Meeting Update-Steve Bowman: The BOE Finance Committee met on Thursday, April 6, 2017. The committee discussed an ESL Program; reviewed a proposed bus contract; and received an update on health insurance and the district budget. They also discussed performance contracting and reviewed and approved the monthly bills. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2017.

- **2017-2018 Bus Contract Rate Approval [action]:** Bill Schmitzer and Don Cuskey motion to approve the 2017-2018 bus contract rates. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

B. 2017-2018 Staffing Report-second reading-Patrick Blackaller [action]: The Board reviewed the preliminary 2017-2018 Staffing Report at the March 27, 2017 board meeting. Don Cuskey and Steve Bowman motion to approve the 2017-2018 Staffing Report with the revisions made as recommended by the BOE Finance Committee. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

(Bert Richard entered the meeting at 7:28 p.m.)

C. Northern Lakes Regional Academy Contract-Randy Drost: Randy Drost reviewed the last contract signed in 2012 as well as a proposed contract for 2017.

It was requested that more information be presented for the community at the next meeting. In addition, Jeremy "Pete" Peterson and Mark Beise will attend the next meeting to provide more information. This will be an action item at the April 24, 2017 Board of Education meeting.

D. BOE Negotiations Committee Meeting Update-Steve Bowman: The BOE Negotiations Committee met on Monday, March 27, 2017. The committee discussed staff negotiations. Steve Bowman provided an update from the meeting.

E. BOE Policy Committee Meeting Update-second reading-Keven Jensen [action]: The Board of Education reviewed the following policies as a first reading on Monday, March 27, 2017: #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; #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 in the Schools Procedures

Josh Estreen and Don Cuskey motion to approve the policies as recommended. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

VIII. INFORMATION:

A. April 1, 2017 RLHS Solo Ensemble Results: The board reviewed the April 1, 2017 Rice Lake High School Solo Ensemble Results.

B. April 4, 2017 School Board Election Results: The board reviewed the canvassed election results from April 4, 2017.

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

IX. BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Bill Schmitzer commended Curt Pacholke for his work on conducting a parent survey regarding parent/teacher conferences and getting this scheduled for May 8th.

X. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS:

- Isabelle Thurston shared her experience with job shadowing staff at the Rice Lake Middle School and Tainter Elementary. She shared her appreciation for the new logo being incorporated throughout the district as well as the use of the “Warrior Way” throughout the schools.

XI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:

- Randy Drost shared information on the upcoming Joint Finance Committee session scheduled for Tuesday, April 18th at Spooner High School.

XII. CLOSED SESSION: Don Cuskey and Tami Alberg motioned to move into Closed Session. All present voting yes. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned into Closed Session at 7:44 p.m.

XIII. OPEN SESSION: Steve Bowman and Don Cuskey motioned to reconvene into Open Session. All present voting yes. Approved. The meeting was moved into open session at 8:00 p.m.

XIV. ACTION: Steve Bowman and Don Cuskey motion to approve raising wages of contracted staff by 2.57%. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

XV. MEETING ADJOURNED: Tami Alberg and Steve Bowman motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk