

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
Monday, August 8, 2016
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

MINUTES

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education of the Rice Lake School District met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 2016 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
- 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]:** Keven Jensen and Bill Schmitzer motioned to approve the regular session meeting minutes from Monday, July 11, 2016; and the special session meeting minutes from Monday, July 18, 2016. All present voting yes. Approved.
- VI. **CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Steve Bowman and Josh Estreen motion to approve the consent agenda. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- A. Monthly Budget and Cash Reconciliation Report**
- B. Monthly Board Bills**
- C. Employment Resignations:**
1. Jenny Shipley, Speech/Language Pathologist
 2. Austin Pacholke, Noon Playground Aide at RLMS
 3. Melanie Herring, Varsity Assistant Girls' Soccer Coach at RLHS
 4. Abby Bushendorf, JV Volleyball Coach at RLHS
 5. Annie West, Varsity Volleyball Assistant Coach at RLHS
- D. Employment Recommendations:**
1. Elizabeth Stoltz, 2nd Grade Teacher at Hilltop Elem.
 2. Dawn Schmitz, 50% Title I Teacher at Hilltop Elem.
 - ~~3. Laurine Karstens, 4th Grade Teacher at Tainter Elem.~~
 4. Lisa Roethel, Speech/Language Pathologist at Tainter Elem.
 5. Laurie Busch, Montessori Aide at Tainter Elem.
 6. Becki George, Elementary Library Media Specialist
 7. Kelsey Kinderman, Art Teacher at RLMS

8. Brandon Speros, 67% World Language/Cultures Teacher & 3.5 hours/day Special Education Paraprofessional at RLMS
9. Heidi Rieckert, 7-hour Special Education Paraprofessional at RLMS
10. Tracey Mofle, 7-hour Special Education Paraprofessional at RLMS
11. Bennett Brown, 7-hour Special Education Paraprofessional at RLHS
12. Steven Adams, Math Teacher at NLRA and RLHS
13. Jared Sasada, 8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach
14. Max Niemcewicz, Assistant Varsity Boys' Basketball Coach

Laurine Karstens declined the position. In addition, Bill Schmitzer and Gary Spear questioned if Brandon Speros was certified as a foreign language teacher and if there were more qualified applicants.

VII. REPORTS:

- A. Report to the Board of Instances of Seclusion and Restraint 2015-2016 School Year-Susan Strouf:** Director of Pupil Services Susan Strouf provided an update on the 2015-2016 Instances of Seclusion and Restraint. Gary Spear questioned why all reports were in two schools.
- B. BOE Finance Committee Update-Steve Bowman:** The BOE Finance Committee met on Monday, August 8, 2016. The committee discussed the district audit; a transportation shuttle driver; and reviewed the OPEB report. They also reviewed and approved the monthly bills. Steve Bowman provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2016.
- C. BOE Negotiations Committee Update-Steve Bowman:** The BOE Negotiations Committee met on Thursday, July 14, 2016. The committee discussed teacher negotiations as well as substitute and seasonal staff wage rates. Steve Bowman provided an update from the meeting.
- D. BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee Update-Don Cuskey:** The BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee met on Tuesday, July 19th. The committee reviewed a high school concessions request; received an update on the referendum project; discussed the five year plan, as well as the Jefferson project and summer projects. Don Cuskey provided an update from the meeting.
- E. BOE Public Relations Committee Update-Doug Kucko:** The BOE Public Relations Committee met on Thursday, August 4, 2016. The committee received an update on the social media proposal/communications specialist position; received an update from the web team as well as the logo/rebranding subcommittee and the marketing plan subcommittee. They also discussed WI Public Relations Association memberships. Doug Kucko provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is tentatively set for Monday, August 22, 2016 with the time to be determined.
- F. BOE Policy Committee Update-first reading-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Policy Committee met on Tuesday, July 12, 2016. The committee reviewed the following policies, which are now going to the full board as a first reading. Policy #223, Administrator Development Opportunities; Policy #330, Curriculum Development and Evaluation; Rule #330, Curriculum Development and Evaluation Guidelines; Policy #333, Parent Rights and District Programs/Activities; Policy # 342.5, Gifted and Talented Program; Rule # 342.5, Gifted and Talented Procedures; Policy # 343.2, Youth Options; Policy #344.5, High School Graduation Policy; Rule #344.5, Requirements for Graduation; Policy #345, Examination and Grading; Policy #345.2, Virtual School Grading Systems; Policy #346, Assessment Program; Policy #360.1,

Interlibrary Loan (Resource Sharing); Policy # 361, Selection of Textbooks and Other Instructional Materials; Rule #361, Procedures for selection of Instructional Materials; Exhibit (1) # 361, Parent letter on the use of controversial materials and available alternate materials in the classroom; Exhibit (2) #361, Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Materials; Exhibit (3) #361, Checklist for School Media Advisory Committee's Reconsideration of Instructional Material-Nonfiction; Exhibit (4) # 361, Checklist for School Media Advisory Committee's Reconsideration of Instructional Material-Fiction and Other Literary Forms; Exhibit (5) #361, School Response to Complaint; Policy #362, School Counseling Policy; Policy #453, Student Immunization; Policy #462, Wisconsin Technical Excellence Scholarship. Keven Jensen provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2016.

A few revisions were recommended for Policy #342.5, Gifted and Talented Program; Rule #342.5, Gifted and Talented Procedures; Policy #343.2, Youth Options Program; Policy #344.5, High School Graduation Policy; Rule #344.5, Requirements for Graduation; and Policy #362, School Counseling Policy.

VIII. INFORMATION:

A. WASB Resolutions Adopted by Delegate Assemblies 2016: The board reviewed WASB Resolutions adopted by the Delegate Assemblies.

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

IX. BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: NA

X. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS: Superintendent Randy Drost shared that the administrative team has been working to narrow district priorities.

XI. MEETING ADJOURNED: Gary Spear and Doug Kucko motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk