

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
Monday, September 11, 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, September 11, 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: Steve Bowman, Don Cuskey, Joshua Estreen, Abbey Fischer, Keven Jensen, Bert Richard, Bill Schmitzer
Absent- Doug Kucko, Gary Spear
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]:** Josh Estreen and Bill Schmitzer motioned to approve the regular session meeting minutes from Monday, August 28, 2017. All present voting yes. Approved.
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Abbey Fischer and Steve Bowman motioned 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. Stacey Lehman, Kindergarten Teacher at Tainter Elem., effective June 7, 2018
- D. Employment Recommendations:**
1. Peggy Slack, Playground Aide at Tainter Elem.
- COMMENDATIONS:**
- A. 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 September 2017, the board recognized Lauri Melby, former financial assistant-payroll/bookkeeper. Lauri was presented with a plaque along with a Chamber certificate.
- VII. REPORTS:**
- A. Social Media/Radio Advertising Update-Scott Falkner:** Technology and Communication Specialist Scott Falkner provided an update on district social media and radio advertising.

- B. 2016-2017 Pupil Services Update-Susan Strouf:** Director of Pupil Services Susan Strouf provided an update on 2016-2017 pupil services.
- C. Staff Development Plan-second reading-Randy Drost [action]:** The full board reviewed the Staff Development Plan as a first reading on Monday, August 28th. Bill Schmitzer and Abbey Fischer motion to approve the Staff Development Plan. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- D. BOE Finance Committee Meeting Update-Steve Bowman:** The BOE Finance Committee met on Wednesday, September 6, 2017. The committee discussed: band/student user fees; a music instrument fundraiser; an additional volleyball coach position; Barron County Mental Health Consortium; and kindergarten aide time. They also received an update on the clinic and reviewed/approved the monthly bills. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
- **RLHS/RLMS Band User Fees [action]:** The board reviewed the recommendation for RLHS/RLMS band user fees. Steve Bowman and Bert Richard motion to approve the RLHS/RLMS Band User Fees. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
 - **Amendment to the 2017-2018 Staffing Report:**
 - **Additional 2.5 hours, Kindergarten Aide at Tainter Elem. [action]:** Don Cuskey and Bill Schmitzer motion to approve the additional 2.5 hours, Kindergarten Aide at Tainter Elementary. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- E. BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting Update-Don Cuskey:** The BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee met on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. The committee received an update on the RLMS mechanical project and on the pool. They also discussed Jefferson Elementary. Don Cuskey provided an update from the meeting.

VIII. INFORMATION:

- A. Upcoming Meeting Schedule:** The Board reviewed a schedule of upcoming meetings/events.

IX. BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Bill Schmitzer commended the music boosters
- Keven Jensen commended the Rice Lake High School band on their rating at the Rutabaga Festival parade.

X. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS:

- There was a request for two student representatives to attend future board meetings.

XI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:

- Rice Lake Area Chamber of Commerce banquet is Thursday.
- The Feed our Kids Backpack Program kicked off last week.
- The Forrest Run is scheduled for Saturday, September 16, 2017.

- XII. MEETING ADJOURNED:** Don Cuskey and Abbey Fischer motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk