

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
Monday, October 9, 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, October 9, 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, Joshua Estreen, Abbey Fischer, Keven Jensen, Doug Kucko, Bert Richard, Bill Schmitzer, Gary Spear
Absent- Don Cuskey
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]:** Gary Spear and Bill Schmitzer motioned to approve the regular session meeting minutes from Monday, September 25, 2017. All present voting yes. Approved.
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Doug Kucko and Abbey Fischer motioned to approve the consent agenda. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- A. Monthly Budget**
- B. Monthly Board Bills**
- C. Employment Resignations:**
1. Rena Einum, Student Services/Financial Secretary at RLHS, for retirement purposes, 23 years of service, effective January 1, 2018.
 2. Connie Demers, Playground Aide at Tainter Elem.
 3. Craig Anderson, Boys' Swim Team Co-Head Coach
 4. Nick Merkt, Boys' Swim Team Co-Head Coach
 5. Jeremy Musil, Head Wrestling Coach
- D. Employment Recommendations:**
1. Lacy Groth, Principal's Secretary at RLHS
 2. Eve Konijnenburg, Lunch/Playground Aide at Hilltop Elem.
 3. Rachelle Dostal, Noon Aide at RLMS
 4. Coltan Ellis, Assistant Hockey Coach

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 October 2017, the board recognized Jennifer Jensen, Physical Education Teacher at Tainter Elem. Jennifer was presented with a plaque along with a Chamber certificate.

VII. REPORTS:

- A. National School Lunch Week Oct. 9-13, 2017-Keven Jensen [action]:** Keven Jensen shared the proclamation for the National School Lunch Week. Bill Schmitzer and Steve Bowman motion to approve October 9-13, 2017 as National School Lunch Week. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
- B. Social Emotional Learning Survey Update-Randy Drost:** District Administrator Randy Drost reviewed the results of the compiled staff survey and reviewed additional information on social emotional learning.
- C. Mental Health Consortium Update-Randy Drost:** The board reviewed a revised Barron County Consortium Partnership Memo of Understanding as well as possible billing options.
- D. BOE Public Relations Committee Meeting Update-Bert Richard:** The BOE Public Relations Committee met on Monday, October 9, 2017. The committee received an update on possible radio ads as well as social media advertising. They reviewed the revised draft Marketing Plan. In addition, the committee reviewed new signs throughout the district and quotes for additional signs. They also discussed options for an outdoor LCD display sign. Bert Richard provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 11, 2017.
- E. BOE Finance Committee Meeting Update-Steve Bowman:** The BOE Finance Committee met on Monday, October 9, 2017. The committee received an update on health insurance and the staff clinic; discussed the 2017-18 budget and projected tax levy; and reviewed the annual meeting document along with the budget, tax, and public depository resolution. In addition, the committee reviewed the teacher compensation program and reviewed the monthly bills. Steve Bowman provided an update from the meeting.
- F. BOE Curriculum Committee Meeting Update-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Curriculum Committee met on Tuesday, September 26, 2017. The committee received an elementary art update; discussed the 2017-2018 Curriculum Plan; and discussed the plan for annual Board of Education Curriculum Committee topics. Keven Jensen provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 17, 2017.
- G. BOE Policy Committee Meeting Update-first reading-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Policy Committee met on Thursday, September 28, 2017. The committee recommended the following policies go to the full board for a first reading: #330 Policy, Curriculum Development and Improvement; #330 Rule, Curriculum Development and Evaluation Guidelines; #341.21 Policy, School Wellness Policy on Physical Activity and Nutrition; #341.21 Rule (1), School Nutrition Standards; #442.2 Policy, Student Conduct on School Buses; and #442.2 Rule, School Bus Rider Rules and Procedures.

Authorization to research legal counsel [action]: The Board of Education asked Randy to research options for legal counsel. No action is needed until a recommendation is brought forth for approval.

VIII. INFORMATION:

- A. Educator Licensing:** The board reviewed information on the recent news regarding educator licensing in the state of Wisconsin.
- B. Communications Committee Minutes:** The board reviewed the draft Communications Committee meeting minutes from Tuesday, September 26, 2017. Bill Schmitzer

mentioned that in the Employee Handbook it states that these meetings will take place on Mondays. This language will need to be modified.

C. Third Friday Enrollment-September 15, 2017: The board reviewed the third Friday student enrollment numbers from Friday, September 15, 2017 and for comparison, the second Friday student enrollment numbers from Friday, January 13, 2017. The board reviewed a chart showing the history of district enrollment.

D. Upcoming Meeting Schedule: The Board reviewed a schedule of upcoming meetings/events.

IX. BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Kudos to the Homecoming talent show student support.

X. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS: NA

XI. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS:

- Randy reminded board members of the WASB Education Convention scheduled for January 16-19, 2018.

XII. MEETING ADJOURNED: Steve Bowman and Gary Spear motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk