

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR SESSION  
Monday, October 24, 2016  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

**REVISED MINUTES** (11-14-16)

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Education of the Rice Lake School District met in regular session at 7:02 p.m. on Monday, October 24, 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: Steve Bowman, Don Cuskey, Joshua Estreen, Keven Jensen, Doug Kucko, Bert Richard, Bill Schmitzer, Gary Spear  
Absent- Tami Alberg  
Others Present –Randy Drost, Superintendent
- III. NOTICE OF POSTING:** President, Keven Jensen announced the Board hereby finds communication and public notice of the opening 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:** Angela Beranek encouraged the board to continue with the French trip.  
  
(Tami Alberg entered the meeting at 7:10 p.m.)
- V. 2016-2017 Tax Levy and 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 Tax Comparison:** Patrick Blackaller reviewed the equalized valuation, the district's share and the levy amount by each township and municipality.
- VI. ADOPTION OF THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET [action]:** Keven Jensen stated the resolution for adoption of budget:

WHEREAS, a proposed budget has been prepared to provide for the operation and maintenance of the schools of the district and to provide for retirement of its indebtedness;

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held and public comment received on the proposed budget for the July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, fiscal year as required by Wisconsin Statute 65.90 (4);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a General Fund 10 expenditure budget of \$26,773,872.00, Special Project Fund 20 budget of \$4,222,735.00, Non-Referendum Debt Service Fund 38 budget of \$26,250.00, Referendum Debt Service Fund 39 budget of \$2,366,112.00, Capital Projects Fund 49 budget of \$313,000, Food Service Fund 50 budget of \$1,013,190.00, Community Service Fund 80 Budget of \$157,295.00 totaling \$34,872,454.00 in expenditures in all funds be adopted.

Steve Bowman and Doug Kucko motion to approve the adoption of the 2016-2017 school budget. By roll call vote, all present voting yes. Approved.

**VII. ADOPTION OF 2016-2017 TAX LEVY RESOLUTION [action]:** Keven Jensen stated, WHEREAS, after due and careful consideration, it has been found that the amount of \$15,187,900.00 in addition to all other school revenues, will be necessary to maintain the general operation of the Rice Lake Area School District, and \$429,750.00 for the retirement of bonds and long-term loans, and for the development of community service programming \$157,295.00, making a total of \$15,774,945.00 for the period beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, the Rice Lake Area School District is able to charge back to the various municipalities \$3,011.00 in uncollected personal property tax due the District from prior years;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the amount of \$15,777,956.00 be spread upon the tax rolls of the City of Rice Lake, Village of Haugen, and the Towns of Barron, Bear Lake, Cedar Lake, Doyle, Oak Grove, Rice Lake, Stanford, Stanley, and Sumner in Barron County; Birchwood; Long Lake; and Saronia in Washburn County; and such area as comprises the Rice Lake Area School District.

Doug Kucko and Bill Schmitzer motion to approve the adoption of the 2016-2017 tax levy resolution. By roll call vote, all present voting yes. Motion carried.

**VIII. RESOLUTIONS FOR PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES [action]:**

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes 120.44 and 120.12 (7) require the school board of a unified school district to designate public depositories;

Keven Jensen designates any banking institution or savings and loan association located within the school district, and the local Governmental Pooled Investment Fund as qualified public depositories for the school district under Chapter 34 of the Wisconsin Statutes and requires that all deposits in banking institutions or savings and loan associations over \$500,000.00 be collateralized.

Don Cuskey and Steve Bowman motion to approve the resolution for public depositories. By roll call vote, all present voting yes. Motion carried.

**IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES [action]:** Josh Estreen and Bill Schmitzer motioned to approve the Regular Session meeting minutes from Monday, October 10, 2016. All present voting yes. Approved.

**X. CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Doug Kucko and Bert Richard motion to approve the consent agenda. All present voting yes. Approved.

**A. Employment Resignations:**

1. Jared Sasada, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math/Science Teacher and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach, effective November 4, 2016
2. Kari Hudson, Science Olympiad Co-Coach
3. Diana Larson, Noon Aide at Hilltop Elem.

**B. Employment Recommendations:**

1. Kristy Thurs, Warriorettes Assistant Coach
2. Victor Drost, Head Wrestling Coach at RLMS
3. Heather Erickson, Gymnastics Assistant Coach

**XI. COMMENDATIONS:**

**A. RLASD Student Recognition:** Building principals and staff commended the following students and identified their areas of achievement for the month of October 2016.

Student	School	Grade	Parent(s):
John Borofka	Haugen Elem.	3	Paul and Danette Borofka
Eric Dong	RLHS	12	Yong Dong
Jaydon Ekern	Tainter Elem.	3	Cody Ekern and Jessica Salo
Morgan Stephens	Hilltop Elem.	3	Jason and Tina Stephens
Sasha Anderson	RLMS	7	Steven and Joani Anderson

**XII. REPORTS:**

- A. COPS Grant Update-Randy Drost:** The City of Rice Lake did not receive the grant. The City will still fund 25 percent for an officer. The Rice Lake Area School District portion would be \$65,000 annually, which is 75 percent. The board would like to talk with the Rice Lake Police Department to see how to move forward with this potential position.
- B. RLASD Safety Committee Update-Joshua Estreen:** The District Safety Committee met on Tuesday, October 11, 2016. The committee discussed building safety concerns and quick reference guide flipcharts. They reviewed individual building safety plans and discussed safety drills in the buildings for the year. Randy Drost provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.
- C. BOE Public Relations Committee Update-Doug Kucko:** The BOE Public Relations Committee met on Thursday, October 13, 2016. The committee received an update on signage throughout the district. They also discussed the development of a marketing plan. Doug Kucko provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
- D. BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee Update-Don Cuskey:** The BOE Buildings and Grounds Committee met on Monday, October 17, 2016. The committee received a referendum project update and discussed the Jefferson Elementary project. Don Cuskey provided an update from the meeting.
- E. BOE Curriculum Committee Update-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Curriculum Committee met on Tuesday, October 18, 2016. The committee received an elementary update; discussed the approval of accounting textbooks; received information on a French trip; and received an update on staff development. Keven Jensen provided an update from the meeting. The committee is seeking board approval on the accounting textbooks and the French trip.

Steve Bowman and Bert Richard motion to approve the accounting textbooks. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

There was discussion on the French trip centered on State Statute 118.12. Randy Drost reported that he had talked with Bob Butler from WASB, and Bob Butler recommended the district pay the company for the chaperone trips, and the company reimburse the district for the cost. Steve Bowman and Gary Spear motion to approve the French trip with the understanding that language changes to board policy #351 will be made. Tami Alberg, Steve Bowman, Don Cuskey, Joshua Estreen, Keven Jensen, Doug Kucko, Bill Schmitzer, and Gary Spear voting yes. Bert Richard opposed. Motion approved. Randy will work on the exact language revisions for board policy#351.

- F. BOE Policy Committee Update-first reading-Keven Jensen:** The BOE Policy Committee met on Tuesday, October 11, 2016. The committee is recommending the following policies go to the full board as a first reading. Policy #442, Student Conduct; and Rule #442, Student Code of Conduct was pulled and will go back to the Board Policy Committee.

<p><b>Policy #330</b>, Curriculum, Development and Improvement (revise)  <b>Rule #330</b>, Curriculum Development and Evaluation Guidelines (new)  <b>Policy #361</b>, Selection of Textbooks and Other Classroom Instructional Materials and Resources (review)  <b>Rule #361</b>, Procedures for the Selection and Reconsideration of Classroom Instructional Materials/Resources (revise)  <b>Exhibit (1) #361</b>, Parent Letter on the Use of Controversial Materials and Available Alternate Materials in the Classroom (review)  <b>Exhibit (2) #361</b>, Request for Reconsideration of Instructional Material (revise)</p>	<p><b>Exhibit (5) #361.2</b>, Checklist for School Media Advisory Committee's Reconsideration of Instructional Material-Nonfiction (new)  <b>Policy #411</b>, Equal Educational Opportunities (revise)  <b>Rule (1) #411</b>, Student Discrimination Complaint Procedures (revise)  <b>Exhibit (1) #411</b>, Notice of Student Non-Discrimination Policy (revise)  <b>Exhibit (2) #411</b>, Student Discrimination Complaint Form (review)  <b>Policy #411.1</b>, Facilities Usage by Students (recommend delete)  <b>Policy #411.2</b>, Accommodation of Student's Religious Beliefs (revise)</p>
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<p><b>Exhibit (3) #361</b>, School Response to Complaint (revise)  <b>Exhibit (4) #361</b>, Checklist for School Media Advisory Committee’s Reconsideration of Instructional Material-Fiction and Other Literary Forms (revise)  <b>Exhibit (5) #361</b>, Checklist for School Media Advisory Committee’s Reconsideration of Instructional Material-Nonfiction (revise)  <b>Policy #361.2</b>, Library Media Center Material Selection and Reconsideration (new)  <b>Rule #361.2</b>, Procedures for the Selection, Management and Reconsideration of Library Media Center Materials (new)  <b>Exhibit (1) #361.2</b>, Parent Letter on the Use of Controversial Materials and Available Alternate Materials in the Library Media Center (new)  <b>Exhibit (2) #361.2</b>, Request for Reconsideration of Library Media Center Material (new)  <b>Exhibit (3) #361.2</b>, School Response to Complaint (new)  <b>Exhibit (4) # 361.2</b>, Checklist for School Media Advisory Committee’s Reconsideration of Instructional Material-Fiction and Other Literary Forms (new)</p>	<p><b>Policy #421</b>, Full-Time Students (revise)  <del><b>Policy #442</b>, Student Conduct (revise)</del>  <del><b>Rule #442</b>, Student Code of Conduct (revise)</del>  <b>Policy #442.4</b>, Student Alcohol and Drug Use (revise)  <b>Policy #442.6</b>, Student Possession and/or use of Electronic Devices (recommend delete)  <b>Policy #444</b>, Locker Search (revise)  <b>Policy #446</b>, Student Discipline (recommend delete)  <b>Policy #454</b>, Communicable Diseases (revise)  <b>Rule #454</b>, Communicable Disease Control Guidelines (revise)  <b>Policy #521.1</b>, Drug-Free Workplace (revise)  <b>Policy #537.2</b>, Staff Attendance at Professional Development Events (revise)  <b>Rule #537.2</b>, Guidelines for Staff Attendance at Professional Development Events (revise)  <b>Exhibit (1) #537.2</b>, Professional Development Request Form (revise)  <b>Exhibit (2) #537.2</b>, Professional Development Reflection (revise)</p>
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**XIII. INFORMATION:**

**A. Upcoming meeting Schedule:** The Board reviewed a schedule of upcoming meetings.

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

- Keven Jensen announced that beginning January 1, 2017, the City of Rice Lake will provide the school district notice that the city will be withdrawing from the shared agreement to operate the pool. The city is required to provide an 18-month notice, meaning the shared agreement would still be in effect until July 1, 2018.

**XV. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS: NA**

**XVI. MEETING ADJOURNED:** Steve Bowman and Doug Kucko motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk