

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

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR SESSION
Monday, November 14, 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, November 14, 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, Bert Richard, Bill Schmitzer, Gary Spear
Absent- Doug Kucko
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]:** Steve Bowman and Don Cuskey motioned to approve the special session and regular session meeting minutes from Monday, October 24, 2016. All present voting yes. Approved.
- VI. **CONSENT AGENDA [action]:** Gary Spear and Don Cuskey motioned to approve the consent agenda. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
 - A. **Monthly Budget**
 - B. **Monthly Board Bills**
 - C. **Employment Resignations:**
 1. Peg Beyer, Summer School Secretary
 - D. **Employment Recommendations:**
 1. Rebecca Fischer, 7th Grade Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher
 2. Meghann Demers, Noon Playground Aide at RLMS
 3. Kathryn Dellinger, Playground Aide at Tainter Elem.
 4. Jamie Stone, Assistant Wrestling Coach at RLMS
 5. Chad Gibson, 8th Grade Basketball Coach
 6. Craig Anderson, 50% Varsity Boys' Swim Coach
 7. Nick Merkt, 50% Varsity Boys' Swim Coach

VII. REPORTS:

- A. American Education Week Proclamation-Keven Jensen [action]:** Board President Keven Jensen shared the proclamation for American Education Week (November 14-18, 2016).

Bill Schmitzer and Joshua Estreen motion to approve November 14-18, 2016 as American Education Week in the Rice Lake Area School District. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

- B. Change in Board Apportionment-Keven Jensen [action]:** The board reviewed and discussed the history of the board apportionment. Bert Richard and Don Cuskey motion to circulate a petition to reapportion the board to have all nine seats elected at large. Tami Alberg, Don Cuskey, Joshua Estreen, Keven Jensen, and Bert Richard voting yes. Steve Bowman, Bill Schmitzer, and Gary Spear voting no. Doug Kucko absent. Motion approved.

- C. District ACT Data-Curt Pacholke:** High School Principal Curt Pacholke reviewed the district ACT data.

- D. Calendar Committee Update-Randy Drost [action]:** The Calendar Committee met on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. They provided two draft calendars for each school year (2017-18 and 2018-19) for all district staff to vote one. The final calendars with the most votes were reviewed by the Board of Education.

Bert Richard and Steve Bowman motion to approve the 2017-2018 school calendar version 1 and the 2018-2019 school calendar version 1. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

- E. Safety Committee Meeting Update-Josh Estreen:** The Safety Committee met on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. The committee discussed updating crisis plans and “go bags”. They reviewed the current quick reference flipcharts and discussed possible revisions. There was also discussion about training for staff. The committee determined a couple of potential tabletop discussions for the year. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

- F. BOE Finance Committee Update-Steve Bowman:** The BOE Finance Committee met on Thursday, November 10, 2016. The committee discussed: bill release; the district audit; the OPEB third quarter report; fuel bids; and special education support. In addition, they discussed a speech and language position and reviewed/approved the bills. Steve Bowman provided an update from the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 8, 2016, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

Don Cuskey and Steve Bowman motion to approve the addition of a 0.5-1.0 FTE Speech Language Pathologist. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

Don Cuskey and Bill Schmitzer motion to approve the addition of a 1.0 FTE Special Education Paraprofessional. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

Bert Richard and Don Cuskey motion to approve the addition of a part-time band teacher. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

G. BOE Policy Committee Update-second reading-Keven Jensen [action]: The board reviewed the following policies as a second reading:

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

Gary Spear and Bill Schmitzer motion to approve all policies as reviewed with the recommended revision. All present voting yes. Motion approved.

VIII. INFORMATION:

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

IX. BOARD MEMBER SUGGESTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Bert Richard shared that the swimming pool would be an agenda item at the City’s budget hearing on Thursday.
- Keven Jensen commended students and staff on another good musical, The Little Mermaid, held at the high school last weekend.

- Steve Bowman commended the boys' soccer team on a great season.
- Don Cuskey commended the football team on a great season.

- X. SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS: NA**
- XI. CLOSED SESSION:** Don Cuskey and Gary Spear motioned to move into Closed Session. All present voting yes. Motion approved. The meeting was adjourned into Closed Session at 8:20 p.m.
- XII. OPEN SESSION:** Steve Bowman and Bert Richard motioned to reconvene into Open Session. All present voting yes. Approved. The meeting was moved into open session at 8:39 p.m.
- XIII. ACTION:** No action was taken from closed session.
- XIV. MEETING ADJOURNED:** Gary Spear and Bert Richard motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Don Cuskey, Clerk