

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #139**

August 15, 2013

The Regular School Board Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Folkema at 7:00 p.m. in Room 201 at the Rush City High School.

Roll Call

Board Members present: Scott Tryon, Carol Cook, Brian Anderson, Stefanie Folkema, Brenda Nessel, and Justin Wood. Board Members absent: None. Superintendent Koepp absent. Others in attendance: Laureen Frost, Business Manager; Brent Stavig, High School Principal; Melody Tenhoff, Elementary Principal; Jeanne Korf, Facilities Manager and a representative from the ECM Post Review.

Approval of Regular School Board Meeting Agenda

Motion #11813 by Tryon seconded by Nessel approving the Regular Board Meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion #11913 by Nessel seconded by Anderson approving the following Consent Agenda Items:
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 18, 2013.

Bills, obligations, and invoices totaling \$1,221,160.25 for Rush City, and \$359,990.24 for SCRED

Increase adult breakfast price from \$1.55 to \$1.60 per meal

Approve Transportation Contract for the Tomczyk family for the 2013-14 school year

Rush City Personnel:

Accept the resignation of Eric Jungels, Custodian, effective August 2013

Accept the resignation of Sarah Anderson, Paraprofessional, effective 8/15/13

Approve FMLA leave for Angela Houlahan 9/16/13-11/5/13

Employ Michael Gorseger, Bus driver

Employ John Schmidt, Special Ed Teacher, beginning 2013-14 school year

SCRED Personnel:

Authorize Early Childhood Family support Resource position

Employ Robert Benner, Early Childhood Family Support, beginning 8/4/13

Decrease day for Wendy Pickar, Physical Therapist, from 88 days to 44 days

Increase days for Sue Witthuhn, Physical Therapist, from 158 days to 202 days

Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Item(s) Removed From Consent Agenda

None

Recognition/Policy Review

After a second reading and final Board review of proposed changes Motion #12013 by Nessel seconded by Anderson approving the following policies: Policy #203.5 – School Board Meeting Agenda, Policy #205 – Open Meetings and Closed Meetings, and Policy #624 – Online Learning Options.

Financial Information

Investments: Business Manager Frost reported that the district has \$741,000 invested as of July 31, 2013.

Swimming Pool Trust Fund: Business Manager Frost reviewed the Swimming Pool Trust Fund, noting that the fund balance was \$513,404 as of June 30, 2013.

Communications

Chairperson Folkema commented on the Golf Tournament that was held on Sunday, August 11th. This is the 16th year for this tournament to raise money for the Rush City School Activities. This year they raised \$14,033 as of 8/15/13. Folkema replied we should be proud of the support and generosity we have in our community for Rush City Schools.

Reports

Positive Points

Elementary Principal Tenhoff shared the following positive points:

We have been busy with getting the new technology supports ready for the upcoming school year. All of the iPads are ready to go (along with establishing a new check-out procedure), two more SmartBoards are being installed this week, and the wireless upgrade is complete.

The building is looking sharp! All of the major summer maintenance is done and everything will be ready for our Open House at the end of the month.

Our enrollment is starting out strong with 498 registered as of today. Last year we started with 490 and ended with 499 students. We know, however, that this is a very volatile time of the year with students moving both in and out before we actually begin with classes.

High School Principal Stavig shared the following positive points:

Building maintenance has wrapped up, class pictures have been repaired, the building is just about ready for school.

Fall sports are underway, cross-country, volleyball, and football area all practicing.

Staffing is almost complete. There is still a .66 PE position and a para position open at the HS.

Updates

High School and Elementary School Building Security

Facilities Manager Korf reported on the status of the remodel of the entries in the high school and elementary. High School Principal Stavig, and Elementary Principal Tenhoff reported on additional security measures that will be worked on for the upcoming school year.

All Day-Every-Day Kindergarten

Elementary Principal Tenhoff updated the status of getting everything ready for all day-every-day kindergarten and reported that everything is on schedule for the start of school

Staffing 2013-14

High School Principal Stavig and Elementary Principal Tenhoff updated the board on staffing for the 2013-14 school year.

Meetings Attended

None to report.

Old Business

There were no topics for consideration.

New Business

There were no topics for consideration.

Calendar

Regular Board Mtg.	Room 201, High School	9/20/12	7:00 p.m.
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Adjournment

Motion #12113 by Anderson seconded by Wood adjourning the Regular Board meeting at 7:29 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Anderson
Clerk

Our mission is to provide each learner with appropriate educational opportunities to reach his or her potential.