



**Independent School District #883  
Regular School Board Meeting  
September 15, 2014**

Chair Botten called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Members Abrahamson, Anderson, Botten, Hall, Smith and Tryon were present. Also present were Principals Brenda Petersmeyer, and Amy Denneson, Director of Teaching and Learning Peter Grimm, Transition Coordinator Lorene Force, Business Manager Sandy Strozyk and Superintendent Paul Durand.

Abrahamson motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Tryon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Recognition**

**RMS-CES WEB Program**—The Board recognized Molly Wirth, McKenzie Gregory, Jamie Madson, and Beth Russell for the considerable time and energy they invested in leading Where Everyone Belongs (WEB); which is middle school program designed to build community and support middle school students.

**Fall Coaches**—The Activities Department recognized Rockford's fall coaching staff for their flexibility and willingness to adapt to location changes at a moment's notice this season.

**REAMS Recycling**—The Board recognized Jean Schneeweis and Darren Eliason who helped the custodial team by collecting all of the garbage and recycling at REAMS one afternoon during pre-service days.

**RHS Office**—The Board recognized the new RHS front office team of secretaries: Abby Greene, Gina Nesenson, and Sally Smith for providing a pleasant, industrious, and stable office environment at the beginning of the school year.

**District Technology**—The Board recognized John Engel and his team for their work in the transition to the new phone system and other recent technological upgrades in the district.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Consent Items**

Abrahamson motioned, seconded by Tryon, to approve the following consent items:

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting—August 18, 2014.
- Personnel:
  1. Robyn Roth, hire as Title 1 Reading, BA Step 7
  2. Shay Slettedahl, hire as Third Grade teacher, BA Step 1
  3. Cheryl Kienholz, resignation as Child Care assistant
  4. Amy Robertson, hire as paraprofessional
  5. Jane Debner, hire as paraprofessional
  6. Louann Eberspacher, hire as paraprofessional
  7. Andrew Meyer, hire as safety supervisor
  8. Trevor Schroeder, resignation as Child Care assistant
  9. Beth Russell, lane change to MA+30
  10. Nick Peterson, lane change to MA+45, pending official transcripts
  11. Jerald Ferdig, lane change to MA
  12. Beth Praska, lane change to MA+15, pending official transcripts
  13. Samantha Heitke, lane change to MA +15, pending official transcripts

- 14. Marc Thibodeaux, hire as RCC front desk/fitness instructor
- 15. Dawn Rund, hire as ES Playground Supervisor

- Bills and Wire Transfers:

Fund 01 General Fund	\$	692,740.79
Fund 02 Food Service	\$	5,208.75
Fund 04 Community Services	\$	18,378.46
Fund 06 Debt Service	\$	3,821,667.90
Fund 07 Agency Fund	\$	00.00
Fund 21 Student Activities	\$	45,054.24
Fund 45 (PEB)	\$	1,134.90
Total	\$	4,584,185.04
Wire Transfers	\$	None

- Open Enrollments

1. Student in Grade 12, open enrolled to ISD 276
2. Student in Grade 2 open enrolled to ISD 879
3. Student in Grade 2, open enrolled to ISD 728
4. Student in Grade 4, open enrolled to ISD 728
5. Student in Grade K open enrolled to ISD 278
6. Student in Grade 9 open enrolled to ISD 885
7. Student in Grade 9, open enrolled to ISD 276
8. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled to ISD 276
9. Student in Grade 10, open enrolled to ISD 877
10. Student in Grade 6, open enrolled from ISD 877
11. Student in Grade 9, open enrolled from ISD 742
12. Student in Grade 2, open enrolled from ISD 279
13. Student in Grade 3, open enrolled from ISD 279
14. Student in Grade 2, open enrolled from ISD 728
15. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877
16. Student in Grade 8, open enrolled from ISD 877
17. Student in Grade 3, open enrolled from ISD 877
18. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled from ISD 111
19. Student in Grade 10, open enrolled from ISD 877
20. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled from ISD 877
21. Student in Grade K, open enrolled from ISD 279
22. Student in Grade 6, open enrolled from ISD 811
23. Student in Grade 10, open enrolled from ISD 284
24. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877
25. Student in Grade K, open enrolled from ISD 877
26. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 279
27. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877
28. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 728
29. Student in Grade 6, open enrolled from ISD 877
30. Student in Grade 7, open enrolled from ISD 279
31. Student in Grade 6, open enrolled from ISD 877
32. Student in Grade 7, open enrolled from ISD 279
33. Student in Grade 7, open enrolled from ISD 279
34. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877
35. Student in Grade 6, open enrolled from ISD 877
36. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877
37. Student in Grade 7, open enrolled from ISD 279
38. Student in Grade 7, open enrolled from ISD 279
39. Student in Grade 8, open enrolled from ISD 877
40. Student in Grade 5, open enrolled from ISD 877

41. Student in Grade 6 open enrolled from ISD 877
  42. Student in Grade 3 open enrolled from ISD 877
  43. Student in Grade 5 open enrolled from ISD 011
  44. Student in Grade 4, open enrolled from ISD 011
  45. Student in Grade 3, open enrolled from ISD 279
  46. Student in Grade 4 open enrolled from ISD 877
  47. Student in Grade 8, open enrolled from ISD 877
  48. Student in Grade 2, open enrolled from ISD 466
  49. Student in Grade 2, open enrolled from ISD 279
  50. Student in Grade K, open enrolled from ISD 877
  51. Student in Grade 8, open enrolled from ISD 882
  52. Student in Grade 9, open enrolled from ISD 877
  53. Student in Grade 8, open enrolled from ISD 877
  54. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled from ISD 877
  55. Student in Grade 11, open enrolled from ISD 879
  56. Student in Grade 4, open enrolled from ISD 877
  57. Student in Grade 10 open enrolled from ISD 728
- Donations from C Evans, Wells Fargo Foundation, Life Touch, and Coborn's Motion carried unanimously.

### **High Student Achievement**

Principal Petersmeyer updated the Board on the principal/counselor classroom visits, Rocket Pride, Kindness skills and upcoming events.

Principal Denneson gave a report on the first day of school events, before and after school procedures, and upcoming events.

Principal Matt Scheidler gave a written report and recognized the RHS students and staff, Kathy Mattson, Nick Peterson and Caroline Young, Abbey Maus, Jolene Botten and the student council, and updates on Homecoming events, the two-hour late start day, the renovated commons, student planners and other upcoming events.

Director of Teaching and Learning Grimm updated the Board on curriculum mapping, ELL Services, Authentic Intellectual Work program and the late start day training. He gave a handout on the sample curriculum map grid.

Transition Coordinator Force gave a summary of the World's Best Work Force Plan.

Abrahamson motioned to approve the changes to the World's Best Work Force Plan as presented. Smith seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Durand updated the board on the all staff opening week, Best Prep Board meeting, NWSISD Superintendent meeting, SEE Legislative and General Membership meetings, administrative meetings, MAWSECO meetings, and upcoming meetings and events.

Superintendent Durand gave the community director's report with highlights from the Galaxy Kids program, the Early Childhood programs, gymnastics program and introduced Melissa Joseph as the new Facilities Coordinator.

Q-Comp Coordinator Traci Moore verbally presented changes to the Q-Comp Plan for 2014-15, listing five main changes, and Q Comp goals.

The Board discussed the Q-Comp plan and determined that a special meeting will be needed to approve the Q-Comp Plan.

### **Safe and Welcoming Environment**

Business Manager Strozyk gave an update on the beginning of the year's student enrollment numbers.

### **Fiscal Responsibility**

Business Manager Strozyk updated the board on #284 negotiation meeting dates, health insurance bid requirements, the food service audit, and other departments.

Superintendent Durand updated the Board on the Project Oversight Committee meeting and bond projects, including activities in planning and design, construction, critical issues, financial items and upcoming planning.

Business Manager Strozyk presented the preliminary levy 2014 payable 2015.

Anderson motioned to approve the preliminary levy 2014 payable 2015 at "maximum" as presented. Abrahamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Manager Strozyk and Facilities Coordinator Melissa Joseph presented the revised Policy 902R, revised facility use application, and proposed rental rates.

Tryon motioned to approve the revised Policy 902R, new application and rental rates, as presented. Abrahamson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Efficient and Effective Operations**

Abrahamson motioned to approve the revised based job descriptions as presented at the August meeting with formatting corrections to be done in the future. Tryon seconded. Motion carried unanimously. New job descriptions will be brought to the Board in the future.

The individual board members gave reports on their committee assignments.

Member Smith left the meeting at 9:15 pm.

### **Announcements**

There will be a work session on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 6:30 pm in the Rockford High School.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, October 20, 2014 at 6:30 pm in Rockford High School.

Abrahamson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 pm, seconded by Tryon. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Ehlers  
Recorder

Chuck Tryon  
Clerk