

**ROCK ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 41
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

April 28, 2009

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Rock Island School District was held Tuesday, April 28, 2009 in the Library at Rock Island High School. President Earl Strupp called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Dr. Jim Bishop, Mr. Bill Cleaver, Ms. Linda Dothard, Mr. Russ Kennel, Mr. Dave Rockwell, Mr. Earl Strupp, Mr. Jerry Tutskey, Mr. Jim Veasey and Student Member Christopher Giles

Member Absent: Student Members Spencer Brooks and Ashley Dean

Staff Present: Mr. Jim Andrews, Ms. Kay Ingham, Mr. Ken Jaeke, Mr. Rick Loy, Dr. Mike Oberhaus and Mr. Bill Osborne

Approval of Board of Education Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Linda Dothard and seconded by Mr. Jim Veasey to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of March 10 and April 14, 2009 and special meetings of March 3 and 16, 2009 (including executive session minutes to be kept on file as confidential). All members voting "Aye," the President declared the motion carried.

Reports from Board Members

Board members reported on the Head Start Policy Council, NSBA national conference, Night of 1000 Dreams, the high school drama team and Chess program in the schools.

Report from the Superintendent

Mr. Rick Loy reported on the great editorial by Roger Ruthhart in the Argus/Dispatch in which he quoted some of the excerpts. He spoke about the new Curriculum Department Newsletter that will be sent tomorrow to the entire district. We received a letter from Christopher Cook that states that based on 2008 financial data, Rock Island School District 41 is placed in the financial recognition range. The letter also indicated that they want us to serve on different state panels. Mr. Loy addressed the swine flu outbreak and what we are doing to notify our families. Finally, he spoke about the TAG program with Steve Clark and our possible participation.

Report from RIEA Representative

Bob Smith stated that Linda Golden applied for and received a \$5000 grant from the NEA for the Thurgood Marshall Center.

Action on Routine Matters

- Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Dave Rockwell and seconded by Mr. Jim Veasey to approve the agenda as presented. A voice vote was called showing all members present voting "Aye." No "Nay" votes being cast, the President declared the motion carried.

- Blanket Motion

It was moved by Mr. Jerry Tutskey, seconded by Mr. Russ Kennel and unanimously carried by a roll call vote that the following items be approved as a blanket motion:

- VIII. A. That the Board of Education approve the revisions to Board policies 4:170, 5:29, 5:90, 6:120, 7:10, 7:100, 7:190, 7:20, 7:210, 7:230, 7:240, 7:290, 7:300, 7:50 and 8:30.
- VIII. C. That the Board of Education approve the list of Executive Session Minutes to open and the list to remain on file as confidential.
- VIII. D. That the Board of Education approve the submission of the Head Start Supplemental Grant.
- VIII. E. That the Board of Education approve Student Expulsion No. 01/12/17.
- VIII. F. That the Board of Education approve the April Fund Raisers.
- IX. B.1. That the Board of Education award a contract to Precision Builders, Inc., LeClaire, Iowa, in the amount of \$1,685,000.00 for the building addition at Ridgewood Elementary School.
- IX. B.2. That the Board of Education award a contract to Allied Construction Services, Bettendorf, Iowa, in the amount of \$17,230.00 for folding door replacement at Earl Hanson Elementary School.
- IX. B.3. That the Board of Education award a contract to Western Waterproofing, Springfield, Illinois, in the amount of \$86,735.00 for Exterior Wall Surface Restoration 0 Part 6 - at Rock Island High School.
- IX. C. That the Board of Education acknowledge the following list of donations:
- Group O and Quest - Unknown Value - 75 digital cameras for Head Start and to be distributed to teachers at future Technology workshops
 - Target - \$49.28 - Graduation items for SKIP
 - K of C Charities Council #658 - \$950.00 for Classroom needs at SKIP
 - Second Baptist Church - \$200.00 for General needs at the Intermediate Academy
 - Two Rivers United Methodist Church - \$200.00 for General needs at the R.I.I.A.
 - Treasure Marten - \$237.28 value - Clarinet for the band dept. at Washington Jr. High

- IX. D. That the Board of Education approve the March Financial Statements.
- IX. E. That the Board of Education approve the Investment Report for quarter ended March 31, 2009.
- IX. F. That the Board of Education authorize Bills for Payment dated April 15, 2009 in the amount of \$3,476,074.34.
- X. A. That the Board of Education approve the following Certified Appointments:

Jaydiem Wilson - Science/Washington Jr. High School/Salary \$48,657.00
Stacy Lofgren - Kindergarten/RI Center for Math & Science/Salary \$49,218.00
Julie Hathaway - Multiage 3-4/Frances Willard/Salary \$51,663.00
- X. B. That the Board of Education approve the Certified Unpaid Leave of Absence for the 2009-10 school year for Giovanna Davila as presented.
- X. C. That the Board of Education accept the following Certified Resignations:

Sarah Todd - English/Rock Island High School/Effective July 29, 2009
Alissa Grover - Instrumental Music/District/Effective June 5, 2009
- X. D. That the Board of Education approve the following Non-Certified Appointments:

Johnna Gamble - Special Education Paraprofessional/Thurgood Marshall/Salary \$3,234.72 (Based 48 days with a base salary of \$12,130.20)
Valerie Mizeur - Classroom Paraprofessional/Eugene Field/Salary \$3,908.62 (Based on 58 days with a base salary of \$12,130.20)
- X. E. That the Board of Education accept the following Non-Certified Resignations:

Kristie DeSchinckel - Classroom Para./Longfellow/Effective March 13, 2009
Trisha DeWitt - Baker/Washington Jr. High School/Effective February 6, 2009
Leann Garrison - Library Para./Intermediate Academy/Effective April 24, 2009
Kristy Robinson - Classroom Para./Frances Willard/Effective March 13, 2009
- X. F. That the Board of Education approve the Non-Renewal of the following 22 Non-Certified Staff members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Building</u>
1. Carol Diaz (Secretary)	Rock Island High School
2. Sarah Bentsen (Classroom Para)	Audubon
3. Tammy Viernow (Special Education Para)	Audubon
4. Teresa Bartels (Special Education Para)	Earl Hanson
5. Pendalyn Dawson (1 on 1 Para)	Edison Jr. High

6. Valerie Mizeur (Classroom Para)	Eugene Field
7. Stephanie Ruhberg (Reading Para)	Eugene Field
8. Tiffani Wallarab (Reading Para)	Eugene Field
9. Angela Benson (Classroom Para)	Frances Willard
10. Steve Cravens (Classroom Para)	Frances Willard
11. Andrea Sullivan (Special Education Para)	Primary Academy
12. Julie Samuelson (Library Para)	Ridgewood
13. Melody Brasmer (Special Education Para)	RIHS
14. Terry Brooks (Hall Monitor)	RIHS
15. Matthew Hoepfner (Hall Monitor)	RIHS
16. Rebekah Leon (Special Education Para)	S.K.I.P.
17. Christy Mayberry (Special Education Para)	S.K.I.P.
18. Dana Pacynski (Special Education Para)	S.K.I.P.
19. Lindsey LaCamera (Classroom Para)	Thomas Jefferson
20. Jamara Bell (Special Education Para)	TMLC
21. Johnna Gamble (Special Education Para)	TMLC
22. Victoria Vallejo (Special Education Para)	Washington

- Citizen Addressing the Board

Carl Durham, 1725 - 19th Avenue, Rock Island, IL, addressed the Board as the President of the AFSCME union. He discussed the secretarial position to be cut in the curriculum office, and referred to the letter he sent to the Board. He stated that the union does not feel the correct position is being cut, that it should be a different position in that office.

Ms. Dothard stated that she received and reviewed the letter and she spoke to appropriate personnel in the district. In reference to this issue, she supports the decision made by the administration.

Organization - Review Canvass of Votes

The Board of Education reviewed and accepted the electoral votes as canvassed by the Rock Island County Clerk's office.

Organization - Presentation to Outgoing Member Russ Kennel

Board members presented a card and gifts to outgoing member Russ Kennel who served five years on the Board. President Strupp thanked Mr. Kennel for his dedicated service on the Board.

Organization - Adjourn Sine Die

The Board adjourned sine die at 6:36 p.m. Superintendent Loy chaired the meeting during this time.

Organization - Swearing In and Seating of Elected Member

Regional Superintendent Joe Vermeire swore in returning members Bill Cleaver, Dave Rockwell, Jim Veasey and new member Jim Bishop. The four members were then officially seated on the Board.

Organization - Election of Officers

Mr. Jim Veasey nominated Mr. Bill Cleaver as President of the Board of Education. Mr. Loy called for nominations twice before Mr. Earl Strupp moved to close nominations. Mr. Loy announced that Mr. Bill Cleaver will be the President for a two year term.

Mr. Jim Veasey nominated Mr. Earl Strupp as Vice President of the Board of Education. President Cleaver called for nominations twice before closing the nominations. Mr. Cleaver announced that Mr. Earl Strupp will be the Vice President for a two year term.

Mr. Jerry Tutskey nominated Dr. Mike Oberhaus as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Education. President Cleaver announced that Mr. Oberhaus will serve as Secretary/Treasurer of the Board for a two year term.

Organization - Resolution Naming Depositories

A motion was made by Mr. Dave Rockwell and seconded by Mr. Jim Veasey to reaffirm the Resolution Naming Depositories for district funds. A roll call vote was called showing all members present voting "Aye." No "Nay" votes being cast, the President declared the motion carried.

Organization - Board Meeting Dates 2008-09

A motion was made by Mr. Jim Veasey and seconded by Mr. Jerry Tutskey to reaffirm the meeting dates for the remainder of the 2008-09 school year. A voice vote was called showing all members present voting "Aye." No "Nay" votes being cast, the President declared the motion carried.

Organization - Board Meeting Dates 2009-10

A motion was made by Mr. Jerry Tutskey and seconded by Mr. Earl Strupp to approve the meeting dates for the 2009-10 school year as presented. A voice vote was called showing all members present voting "Aye." No "Nay" votes being cast, the President declared the motion carried.

Education - Career Development Update

Mal Austin and Ed Veasey provided an update on the Career Development program. *A copy of the information is kept on file with the official minutes at the Administration Center.*

Education - Elementary Math Series Pilot

Bill Osborne provided an update on the selection process being used for a new elementary math series. *A copy of the information is kept on file with the official minutes at the Administration Center.*

Operations - First Reading of Board Policies

Members of the Cabinet reviewed the revisions to Board policies 2:105, 2:220, 6:20, 4:60, 4:70, 4:80, 4:90, 4:150, 5:290 and recommended removal of policy 8:40.

Business/Finance - Building Excellence Update

Dr. Mike Oberhaus and Mr. Ben Hott updated the Board on the Building Excellence plan, including projects at Longfellow, Eugene Field, Primary Academy, Frances Willard and the Math and Science Academy. *A copy of the presentation is kept on file with the official minutes at the Administration Center.*

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Earl Strupp and seconded by Mr. Jerry Tutskey to adjourn the meeting. All members voting "Aye," the President declared the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Mr. Bill Cleaver, President

Dr. Michael Oberhaus, Clerk