

**ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS  
Meeting Minutes**

**Administration Building  
Tuesday, November 27, 2018**

President Kenneth Scrivano called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 5:02 p.m.

Present: President Kenneth Scrivano, Vice President Tim Rollins, Secretary Michael Connor, Mrs. Jude Makulec, Mr. Anthony Dixon), Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Michael Connor, Mr. Jaime Escobedo

Absent: None

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon the Board **hold** an executive session to consider the appointment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees; the discipline of students; pending or imminent litigation; collective bargaining matters; or other matters provided for pursuant to §2 (c) of the Open Meetings Act.

**Approved: 7-0-0**

The Board was in executive session from 5:03 p.m. until 6:52 p.m.

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1. Call to Order – *President Kenneth Scrivano called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 7:05 p.m.*
  2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance
  3. Roll Call  
Present: President Kenneth Scrivano, Vice President Tim Rollins, Secretary Michael Connor, Mrs. Jude Makulec, Mr. Anthony Dixon, Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Jaime Escobedo  
Absent: None  
*Mr. Scrivano thanked Conner Childers and RPS 205 graduate Rod Weddle who are working behind the scenes to produce the Board's broadcast on Channel 20.*
  4. Recognition  
A. Rockford Competitive Marching Band – Earl Dotson, Jr.  
The following students were recognized for their excellent season in the Rockford Competitive Marching Band. Members are from the District's four high schools and include eight graders. The band participated in four competitions winning fourth place at Limestone High School and participating in the Illinois State University Marching Bank Championship and Chicago's Columbus Day Parade.  
Participants are:

Allison Aubuchon	Briana Beckcom
Jayla Brown	Willow Burcham
Jameson Chandlee	Kalilah Cheers
Jeremiah Davis	Mikey Dobbs
Javier Escobedo	Bianca Fant
Brayan Gonzalez-Cortez	Maddie Grove
Ella Hallstrom	Maya Hallstrom
Dominique Hammond	Dream Harris
Faith Hartsock	Sophia Janicki
DaVon Jones	Jazz Jones
Rachel Krug	Ricardo Martinez
Chad Monmany	Grasyn Nies
Shatavia Oliver	Vivian Otto
Titus Pierce	Kaleigh Rodgers
Magdalena Salinas-Ramos	Blaze Schiro
Sylvia Schneider	Emily Solis
Christina Thomas	Alex Wysoke
  5. Petitions & Communications  
*Mr. Scrivano read the guidelines*
    - Amy Akey spoke of her unhappiness with the Special Education Department.

6. Board Member Comments

No Comments

7. \*Consent Items

- A. Meeting Minutes: 111/13/18
- B. Payroll
- C. ~~Accounts Payable~~ – pulled by Mr. Connor
- D. Purchase Orders
- E. Contracts Under \$10,000
- F. Construction Bid Request Log
- G. Travel

8. \*Bid Recommendations

- A. IFB 19-08 Demolition of Cherry Valley, Thompson & White Swan Schools
- B. ~~IFB 19-09 Asbestos Abatement of Cherry Valley, Thompson & White Swan Schools~~ – pulled by Mr. Connor

9. \*Recurring Contracts

- A. R.L. Johnson Associates – Amendment for Demolition Design and Deconstruction Administration of King Elementary School – Michael Phillips, Exec. Director of Facilities
- B. ~~Carnow Conibear & Associates – Amendment for abatement design and monitoring of King Elementary School and various summer of 2019 abatement projects per attached exhibit~~ – pulled by Mr. Connor
- C. Maxim Health Care Agency 1:1 Nursing Contract 2018-2019
- D. ~~Apple Inc. Education and Schools iPad Lease – Title 1~~ – pulled by Mr. Connor
- E. ~~US Bank Chromebook Lease – Title 1~~ – pulled by Mr. Connor
- F. Stop Loss Health Insurance

10. \*Other Consent

- A. New School Construction Change Order Log
- B. ~~RPS Managed Work Change Order Logs~~ – pulled by Mr. Connor
- C. Monthly Investment Report – October 2018 – Ms. Michelle R. Jahr, CPA – Chief Financial Officer
- D. Financial Results: October 2018 – Ms. Michelle R. Jahr, CPA – Chief Financial Officer
- E. Workers' Compensation Settlement Agreement – DG
- F. Workers' Compensation Settlement Agreement - FH
- G. Freedom of Information Log

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Consent items not pulled.

**Approved: Unanimously**

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Rollins to **approve** Consent item pulled 7C, Accounts Payable.

Administration was requested to include more information for high dollar amounts.

Mr. Scrivano called for the vote.

**Approved: Unanimously**

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Bid Recommendation pulled 8B, IBB 19-09 Asbestos Abatement at Cherry Valley, Thompson & White Swan Schools.

Comments included the wide differences in the bid responses. These were due to different assumptions.

Mr. Scrivano called for the vote.

**Approved: Unanimously**

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Recurring Contracts pulled 9B, Carnow Conibear & Associates – Amendment for abatement design and monitoring of King Elementary School and various summer of 2019 abatement projects per attached exhibit.

This contract is for the design of asbestos abatement projects for the following locations: Haskell, Carlson, Froberg, King, Lathrop, Marshall, and Riverdahl Elementary schools; Eisenhower, Kennedy, Marshall, West Middle Schools and East High School. The total fiscal impact is \$263,070.

Mr. Scrivano called for the vote.

**Approved: Unanimously**

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Recurring Contracts pulled 9D and 9E, Apple Inc. Education and Schools iPad Lease – Title 1, US Bank Chromebooks Lease – Title 1.

The iPad and Chromebooks leases are replacing those currently in the buildings. The lease term for the iPads is three years, and four years for the Chromebooks.

Mr. Scrivano called for the vote.

**Approved: Unanimously**

*Mr. Scrivano reminded Board members to submit their agenda questions to Dr. Jarrett by noon the Monday before Board meetings.*

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Other Consent items pulled 10B, RPS Managed Work Change Order Logs.

The number of work order changes to Constance Lane Elementary school are reduced due to lessons learned from building the new school in Cherry Valley.

Mr. Scrivano called for the vote.

**Approved: Unanimously**

11. \*Closed Session Consent Items

A. HR Organizational Report & Addendum

12. \*Closed Session Consent Items – Student Discipline

*Unless otherwise modified below, the Board adopts and accepts the Hearing Officer's findings and recommendations in the following cases in which students expelled or suspended are prohibited from being on school grounds and school-sponsored activities without the prior written permission of the principal.*

A. GDM-4227-19 – expelled through the first semester of the 2018-2019 school year.

B. GDM-4228-19 – expelled for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.

C. GDM-4230-19 – expelled for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year through the entire 2019-2020 school year.

D. GDM-4231-19 – expelled for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year through the entire 2019-2020 school year.

13. \*Closed Session Consent Items – Student Discipline (EIAs)

A. GDM-1031-19

B. GDM-3675-19

C. GDM-3681-19

D. GDM-3682-19

E. GDM-3683-19

F. GDM-3684-19

G. GDM-3685-19

H. GDM-3686-19

I. GDM-3687-19

J. GDM-3689-19

K. GDM-3690-19

L. GDM-3691-19

M. GDM-3692-19

N. GDM-3693-19

O. GDM-3694-19

P. GDM-3695-19

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Closed Session Consent items not pulled.

**Approved: Unanimously**

14. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Jarrett

A. Superintendent's Report -Dr. Jarrett

Dr. Jarrett thanked Mrs. Makulec and Mr. Scrivano who will be among a group of people reviewing the process and procedures of charter school renewals. He also spoke of his school site visits; currently he is on his ninth site.

Classroom visits and a one-time meeting with building principals have been along with meeting with faculty members is taking place. Dr. Jarrett gave a shout out to Rockford Reads as they were recognized on November 27, 2018. He expressed his appreciation for Bob Pressman and the Rotarians who volunteer in our buildings.

15. \*Action Items

A. Extended Day Programming – 21st Century Community Learning Centers Model – Dr. Woulfe

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** item 15A, Extended Day Programming – 21st Century Community Learning Model.

This is for additional programming support at RESA Middle School.

**Approved: Unanimously**

B. Board Policy 6.300 Instruction; Graduation Requirements

**Motion** by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Rollins to **approve** item 15B, Board Policy 6.300 Instruction; Graduation Requirements.

**Approved: Unanimously**

16. Other Business/New Business/Agenda Recommendations

A. High School Master Scheduling Proposal

Ms. French presented to members a proposal to offer a differential for a master schedule trainer and sub-administrator to cover buildings while master schedulers are in training. Approval will assure alignment of high school students in courses with students in the same academies. Administration will identify a 12-month curriculum assistant principal/master scheduler as a candidate who will serve as a master schedule trainer for FY19. In year one, ten days of master scheduling training for high school master schedulers will be provided. The total fiscal impact is \$20,000. The stipend for the master scheduler is between \$2,500 - \$10,000 based on the number of hours, as well as the cost of the sub administrators for all master schedulers to attend training at \$300/day for ten days. To view the proposal, please click on this link: [High School Master Scheduling Proposal](#). This will return for a vote at the 12/11/18 meeting.

.Adjournment

**Motion** by Mr. Dixon seconded by Mr. Connor to **adjourn**.

Adjournment: 8:31 p.m.

Approved: 12/11/18

**President: Kenneth J. Scrivano /s/**

**Secretary: Michael S. Connor /s/**

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