



Rocket Express

November 18, 2014

The Rockwood Area Board of School Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, November 18, 2014.

The minutes of the committee meeting on 10/21/14 and the regular meeting on 10/21/14 were approved.

The agenda, agenda items, and additional agenda items that were added during the committee meeting, were approved.

The financial and treasurer reports, bills and budgetary transfers were approved as presented.

Board Recognition:

The following students of the month were recognized by the Board:

- Haley Lehman
- Natalie King
- Austin Lee
- Dillon Phillippi
- Richelle Ross
- Graydon Miller

Public Comment:

Roger King addressed the Board regarding the junior varsity girls' basketball coaching situation. He stated that the season has started and there is a need for two coaches to be present on the bench in case of injury or other instances when a coach must leave the bench. There are sixteen players out for the team and he would recommend Teryll Gribble for the position. She would be a great asset to the program and she has experience. Brianna Shultz, Maya Hagans, and Aubrey Brancato also addressed the Board and showed support for Teryll Gribble.

Old Business:

The Board approved the second and final reading of the revised series 300 of the Rockwood Area School District policy manual.

The Board approved the performance audit report from the Department of the Auditor General for the period June 30, 2011 through June 30, 2014.

New Business:

The Board approved the school district learning agreement with Learning Lamp for on-line learning services with blendedschools.net for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Board approved the contract with MSDS online for district chemical storage compliance for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Board approved the Rockwood Agriculture Program parent/student handbook and information guide.

The Board approved the Workforce Development Initiative through Sharon Clapper at no cost to the district.

The Board approved the Rockwood Area School District Comprehensive Plan from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021.

The Board voted in favor of holding the annual reorganization meeting on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

The Board approved the FFA events for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Board approved the annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

The Board voted in favor of authorizing the Rockwood Merchants to use the tennis court for an ice skating rink.

The Board voted in favor of adopting a resolution to authorize all necessary actions in connection with the Securities & Exchange Commission's Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Initiative.

The Board voted in favor of accepting the grant in the amount of \$2,346.50 from the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies.

Committee Reports:

The Board approved the following elementary yearbook/student council advisors:

Elyse Branam

Jenna Wintersteen

The Board approved the revisions to the following job descriptions:

Assistant Business Manager
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Business Office Administrative Assistant

The Board voted in favor of employing Ashley Moyer as an elementary special education teacher.

The Board approved the revisions to the Act 93 administrative agreement.

The Board approved the following mentor teachers for the 2014-2015 school year:

Deb Phillippi for Melissa Gregory
Jay Best for Greta Carroll

The Board accepted the resignation of Shawn Suter as custodian and voted in favor of advertising for the position.

The Board voted in favor of adding the following individual to the district substitute list pending completion of all paperwork:

Kayla Miller Elementary Education, Pre K-4

The Board approved Carey Beth King as the junior varsity bona-fide volunteer rifle coach.

The Board voted in favor of a range safety officer to serve at home rifle matches and authorized the administration to find suitable candidates.

The Board approved Teryll Gribble as a bona-fide junior varsity girls' basketball coach for a period of one year.

Conference Requests:

The following conference requests were approved by the Board:

1. Autistic Consortium – Ebensburg, PA - 3/18/15 – Cassie Weimer, Melissa Putman

Field Trip Requests:

The following field trip requests were approved by the Board:

1. SADD Conference – Seven Springs – 11/18/14 – Alana Letizia and 5 students
2. Mountain Playhouse – Jennerstown, PA – 5/5/15 – Mary Jo Picklo, Jay Best, and 71 students
3. Fallingwater – Mill Run, PA – April 2015 – Jay Best, Joe Kush, and 45 students
4. Harley Davidson Factory Tour – York, PA – 2/11/15 – Joe Kush and 30 students

Use of School Facility Requests:

The following use of school facility requests were approved by the Board:

1. Child Evangelism Fellowship of Fayette-Somerset – Rockwood elementary classroom – every Thursday 1/8/15 through 4/30/15, 2:30 -5:00 PM – Good News Club.
2. Class of 2020 – Rockwood high school gymnasium – 4/16/15, 3:00 – 10:00 PM – Donkey basketball game.

Club & Class Activity Requests:

The following club & class activity request was approved by the Board:

1. FFA-World's Finest Chocolates & Beef Stick sale – 11/1/14 through 5/1/15 – raises funds for jackets and dues.

Superintendent's Report:

Mark Bower informed the Board that the French exchange trip went very well. The students visited Washington, D.C., the Inclined Plane, a hockey game, and the Flight 93 Memorial.

Mark Bower informed the Board that the Confluence Tourism Society would like the band to play at an upcoming event. Mark will talk to our band director and schedule the performance.

Mark Bower informed the Board that he has accepted an appointment on the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for a period of one year.

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