

The Rockwood Area Board of School Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, May 20, 2014.

The minutes of the committee meeting on 4/15/14 and the regular meeting on 4/15/14 were approved.

The agenda, agenda items, and additional agenda items were approved.

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

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

Allison King Renee Svonavec Dylan Zerfoss Aubree Brancato Miranda Benford Avery Deskevich

## **Old Business:**

A motion to approve the proposal from the Somerset County SAP Coordination Team in the amount of \$200.00 failed due to lack of a motion.

The transportation contract with Rockwood Transportation Inc., for the 2014-2015 through the 2018-2019 school years, was approved.

The board accepted the recommendation of the business office for the following bids for the 2014-2015 school year:

Coal Propane Custodial Supplies

The science curriculum adjustment for the 2014-2015 school year was approved.

## **New Business:**

The board voted in favor of cancelling the June 17, 2014 board meeting and rescheduling the meeting for June 24, 2014, for budget adoption purposes and to advertise this meeting along with the required budget adoption advertisement.

Irvin Kimmel was elected to the office of Treasurer by acclamation.

The board approved the student accident insurance program through Bolinger Specialty Group for the 2014-2015 school year at no cost to the district.

First National Bank and Somerset Trust were designated as school district depositories for the 2014 -2015 school year.

Dr. Ajay P. Singh was approved as the school physician-consultant for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Somerset Daily American was approved as the newspaper of general circulation for the Rockwood Area School District for the 2014-2015 school year.

The board approved the dental hygienist program for the 2014-2015 school year.

The board approved the school nurse program for the 2014-2015 school year.

The firm of Barbera, Clapper, Beener, Rullo, & Melvin was appointed as the school district solicitor for the 2014-2015 school year.

The property tax reduction allocation for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$232,768.90 was approved.

Additional summer hours for Pat Weston to complete the yearbook, not to exceed 20 hours, were approved.

The board authorized the French club to host students from France from 11/10/14 through 11/14/14.

The contract with New Directions for services for the 2014-2015 school year was approved. (Currently, the district has no students attending the program.)

The preliminary general fund budget for the 2014-2015 school year with total expenditures of \$12,014,649.00 and a millage rate of 21.89 mills on real estate was approved.

The board approved the following textbook adoptions for the 2014-2015 school year:

Elementary Reading French Spanish English & Literature

The quote from Upright Fencing was approved for the elementary playground with the removal of trees to be done by the maintenance staff.

The quote from Hoover Brothers Quality Painting, Inc. for the painting of the overhang was approved.

The athletic trainer contract with Somerset Hospital for the 2014-2015 school year was approved.

The ESL consortium agreement with Appalachia IU 08 for the 2014-2015 school year was approved.

## **Education/Personnel:**

The board allocated 500 substitute custodial hours from the 2013-2014 general fund budget for additional help for various maintenance projects.

The following individual was added to the district instructional aide substitute list, pending completion of all paperwork:

Sandra Goller

The following individual was added to the district secretary substitute list and instructional aide substitute list pending completion of all paperwork:

Teresa Dively

The following individual was added to the district substitute list pending completion of all paperwork:

Emily Miller

Mathematics

The board accepted the resignation of Nathan Miller as assistant football coach.

The board accepted the resignation of Julian Sleasman as junior high football coach and approved him as an unpaid assistant.

The board accepted the resignation of Lorraine Bradley as junior high girls' basketball coach.

The board accepted the retirement of Mary Ellen Hoover, effective the day after the last teacher day of the 2013-2014 school year.

The board accepted the resignation of Beth Ann Hay as dental hygienist.

The board accepted the resignation of Bryan Phillippi as junior high football coach.

The board accepted the retirement of Gary Weimer, effective the first day following the last teacher day of the 2013-2014 school year.

The board accepted the resignation of Devon Schrock, effective the first day after the last teacher day of the 2013-2014 school year.

The board accepted the resignation of Tricia Juran as elementary teacher, effective the day after the last teacher day of the 2013-2014 school year.

The board appointed Lori Breckenridge as fund custodian for the 2014-2015 school year.

The board accepted the resignation of Randy Berkey as custodian.

The board employed Charles Smith as a full-time custodian.

The board accepted the retirement of Deb Hutchison effective 7/31/14, under the terms of the current contract.

The board accepted the resignation of Lester Snyder as custodian effective 5/15/14.

The board added Eugene Clawson to the district substitute custodial list, pending completion of all paperwork.

The board authorized the administration to advertise for all needed positions for athletics, support staff, and teachers.

The board approved the realignment of the business office by transferring Lori Breckenridge to the job duties of Gail May, transferring the duties of Deb Hutchison to Gail May, and advertising for an administrative secretary.

The following **conference requests** were approved:

- 1. Gifted Boot Camp Altoona, PA 6/3/14 Jon Hale and Jessica Knepper
- 2. Innovations in Literacy Conference State College, PA 6/17/14 through 6/19/14 Jon Hale and Brook Latuch

The following **use of school facility requests** were approved:

- 1. Rockwood Youth Football Rockwood athletic fields 8/23/14, 9/14/14, 9/20/14, 8:00 AM 8:00 PM football games.
- 2. TJ Dance Rockwood high school auditorium & chorus room 9/17/14 through 9/19/14, 4:00 7:00 PM; 9/20/14, 12:00 PM ? dance recital.

- 3. Class of 2017 Rockwood high school cafeteria 11/14/14, 3:15 6:00 PM; 11/15/14, 6:00 10:00 PM Soph-Senior dance.
- 4. Rockwood PTO Rockwood elementary library 6/18/14, 9:00 AM -11:00 AM; 7/2/14, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM; 7/16/14, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM; 7/30/14, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM; 8/13/14, 9:00 AM 11:00 AM summer reading program.

## **Superintendent Report:**

Mark Bower distributed thank-you letters received for the staff appreciation dinner. The board authorized the administration to begin planning for next year's appreciation dinner.

Mark Bower distributed the school newspaper to Board members.

The Board reviewed the preliminary numbers for fall sports for the 2014-2015 school year.

The Board reviewed the utilization of the weight room since the approval of an athletic trainer. There have been as many as nine participants and as low as 2.

Mark Bower discussed a proposal from Josh Kinsinger from MRS Physical Therapy regarding a training program designed to prevent ACL injuries in female athletes. The board authorized MRS Physical Therapy to conduct a clinic at the school at no cost to the district.

Mark Bower informed the Board that the Envirothon team will be competing in the state competition for the 15<sup>th</sup> year in a row.

Mark Bower informed the Board that Grayden Miller was selected as the student of the month at the technology center.

The board approved a donation in the amount of \$272.00 to Variety, The Children's Charity.

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