



Rocket Express

July 15, 2014

The Rockwood Area Board of School Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, July 15, 2014.

The minutes of the committee meeting on 6/24/14 and the regular meeting on 6/24/14 were approved.

The agenda and agenda items were approved.

The financial and treasurer reports and bills were approved as presented.

Old Business:

The revisions to the Rockwood Area School District Teacher Effectiveness Evaluation and Observation Plan and Procedures were approved.

New Business:

The contract with Bedford-Somerset MH/MR for the 2014-2015 school year was approved.

The offer from Kathy Pyle to purchase property at private sale was approved.

There were no voting delegates appointed to the PSBA Delegate Assembly to be held October 21, 2014.

Education/Personnel:

The board accepted the retirement of Tim Vought effective the first day after the last teacher day of the 2013-2014 school year and to advertise for the position.

The board voted in favor of employing Ashley Stockwell, Kori Halverson, and Carla Harrold as instructional aides pending completion of all paperwork.

The board voted in favor of employing Sherry Benford as an administrative secretary pending completion of all paperwork.

The following **conference request** was approved.

1. Crafting SLO's – Richland, PA – 9/19/14 – Jon Hale, Ben Baker, Jessica Knepper, Becky McKinley, Tammy Minnick and Adam Rullo.

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

1. RASD Marching Band – Rockwood high school auditorium, band room, athletic fields – 8/4/14, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM – band camp.
2. New Centerville Youth Baseball – Rockwood athletic fields – 7/2/14, 7/9/14; 6:00 – 8:00 PM – baseball practice.

Superintendent Report:

Mark Bower updated the Board on the coaching vacancies that still exist for the 2104-2015 school year.

Mark Bower informed the Board that junior high soccer numbers are low and there is a possibility of the district having a coed program for the season.

The board voted to eliminate the junior varsity football program for the 2014-2015 school year unless there are at least 20 eligible players with all physicals and paperwork in place by the first day of practice on 8/11/14.

The board voted to eliminate the strength and conditioning program effective immediately due to lack of participation.

Mark Bower informed the Board of the nutritional changes that will affect the food service program for the 2014-2015 school year. Iced tea and lemonade will not be served, but diet iced tea and diet soda will be allowed. The Board felt that serving diet soda is not a good idea. Metz has been monitoring the proposed changes and are well ahead of the game. The students will be offered different types of snacks and should not notice a big change in the meals.

Mark Bower informed the Board that the roof project will begin in two weeks and will be completed by the start of school.

The Board discussed the future of the vocational agriculture program. The Board would like the candidates to present their ideas on the future of the program as well as the financial requirements necessary to implement a program.

The board voted to move Mary Gosnell to a 12 month position.

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