



# **Rocket Express**

## **July 16, 2012**

The Rockwood Area Board of School Directors met in regular session on Monday, July 16, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. in the Administrative Office of the Rockwood Area School District.

The minutes of the committee meeting on 6/18/12 and the regular meeting on 6/18/12 were approved. The agenda, agenda items, and additional agenda items were also approved.

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

### **Public Comment:**

Karen Remick, the new director of the Somerset County Technology Center, introduced herself to the Board. She explained that the technology center belongs to the individual districts and they will work hard to keep costs down and expand the educational opportunities for the students attending. She informed the Board that there will be considerable growth in enrollment for next year.

### **Old Business:**

The board tabled the discussion and possible action on the land adjacent to the cemetery until the Board receives a proposal from the cemetery association.

The second and final reading of policy number 123.1 (Concussion Management) of the Rockwood Area School District policy manual was approved.

The changes to the elementary and secondary faculty handbooks for the 2012-2013 school year were approved.

The board discussed approval of the final payment to Walter Cyran. Upon discussion, a motion to approve the final payment to Walter Cyran and to make the payment in 4 equal installments, including a 1.5% interest charge to the district for the amount not paid within 30 days, failed. A motion was then made and approved to make final payment to Walter Cyran and to make the payment on 8/12/12.

### **New Business:**

The comprehensive K-12 school guidance and counseling program was approved.

The board approved membership in the Pa. Association of Rural and Small Schools for the 2012-2013 school year.

A voting delegate for the School Leadership Conference in Hershey was not designated as no Board member will be attending.

The Rockwood Area School District organizational chart was approved.

The following mentor teachers for the 2012-2013 school year were approved:

**Jessica Knepper for Elyse Branam**  
**Kim Huet for Melissa Putman**  
**Susan Slope for Brooke Latuch**

The Board met in executive session at 8:10 P.M. and reconvened at 8:30 P.M.

The board approved the business manager compensation plan for the 2012-2013 school year.

The board amended the Act 93 agreement to include the technology coordinator and to remove the business manager.

The board voted in favor of rescinding the motion made on June 18, 2012, approving the superintendent's contract effective 7/1/13 through 6/30/18.

The board approved the superintendent's contract effective 7/1/13 through 6/30/18.

The following conference request was approved:

1. National Autism Conference – State college, Pa. – 7/30/12 through 8/2/12 – Jon Hale

The following use of school facility request was approved:

1. TJ Dance – Rockwood high school auditorium – 9/12/12 through 9/15/12, 4:00 PM - ? – dance recital.

### **Superintendent Report:**

Mark Bower updated the Board on the track project. The machine that was rented failed and the district has received two quotes for the completion of the track. LTM gave a quote of \$6,891.00 and William Blackburn submitted a quote of \$3,800.00. The district is awaiting another quote from New Enterprise. The board authorized the administration to accept the lowest quote and proceed with the project.

Mark Bower informed the Board that he has received a quote from Kimball to complete the design work for the installation of sidewalks in the amount of \$1,750.00. This amount is for design work only and any additional time required to complete specifications, etc. would be an additional cost to the district. The board approved the contract with LR Kimball for design work for the installation of sidewalks at a cost of \$1,750.00.

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