

REED CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of the Business Meeting

Monday, February 15, 2021

7:00 p.m.

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The Business Meeting of the RCAPS Board of Education was called to order by President Eichenberg at 7:00p.m. on Monday, February 15, 2021, held virtually.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Member S. Mund shared the RCAPS Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Members Bookwalter (Reed City, MI), Eichenberg (Chase Township, MI), Franklin (Richmond Township, MI), C. Mund (Chase Township, MI), S. Mund (Reed City, MI) Quinn (Pinora Township, MI), and Vanderhoof (Lincoln Township, MI) with Superintendent Sweet and Recording Secretary Battle

Absent: All Members Present

Present, virtually, for the Business Meeting were approximately seven RCAPS administrators, student athletes, and coaches.

Motion by Member Bookwalter with support by Member Quinn to amend the agenda to remove business item Separation Agreement.
Motion carried unanimously.

Acceptance of the Extended Continuity of Learning Plan

Motion by Member Quinn with support by Member Franklin to accept the Extended Continuity of Learning Plan.
Motion carried unanimously.

Communications from the Public

- There was no communication from the public.

Coyote Pride

Athletic Director, Kris Griffin, recognized the senior football student athletes and their achievements. Ms. Griffin also recognized the coaching staff for their flexibility and commitment during this unprecedented season. Coach Scott Shankel received the Regional Coach of the Year award. Congratulations to the student athletes and the coaches for a challenging and successful season.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Member Bookwalter with support from Member Vanderhoof to approve the consent agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

Items included in the Consent Agenda:

- Financials, January, 2021
- February 10, 2021 Minutes

- Special Meeting
- Closed Session
- Family Medical Leave Request, Ali Bonk
- Acceptance of Belding Area Schools into CSAA Gold Division, 2022-2023 School Year

Business Items

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Sweet recognized the Transportation Department for their teamwork when faced with extenuating circumstances. They pulled together and worked well as a team.

Motion by Member Quinn with support from Member S. Mund to adopt the Thrun Policy recommendations of the revised 2501 and new 2501A policies.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Member C. Mund with support from Member Bookwalter to approve the recommended budget amendment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Member C. Mund with support from Member Bookwalter to approve the RCESPA Letter of Agreement as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Member Franklin with support from Member Quinn to approve the recommendation of a .25 cent per hour increase in driver’s pay.

Motion carried unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Members Bookwalter, Eichenberg, Franklin, S. Mund, Quinn and Vanderhoof

Abstained: Member C. Mund

Nays: None.

Motion passed 6-0 with 1 Member abstaining citing conflict of interest.

Motion by Member Franklin with support from Member Quinn to approve the equalization of COVID-19 Grant Pay, making all employees and contracted employees equal regarding the amount of grant pay for the timeline of April 2, 2020 through June 30, 2020 and is an ongoing current employee or contracted employee of the District.

Motion carried unanimously.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Members Bookwalter, Eichenberg, Franklin, C. Mund, S. Mund, and Vanderhoof

Abstained: Member Quinn

Nays: None.

Motion passed 6-0 with 1 Member abstaining citing conflict of interest.

Motion by Member C. Mund with support from Member S. Mund to approve the purchase of a 2019 ten passenger transit van.

Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Motion was made by Member Franklin with Support from Member Quinn to enter into closed session for the purpose of collective bargaining discussions with the inclusion of Superintendent Sweet, Recording Secretary Battle, and Financial Director Lukshaitis.

Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call vote was taken with the following results:

AYES: Members Bookwalter, Eichenberg, Franklin, C. Mund, S. Mund, Quinn, and Vanderhoof.

NAYS: None.

The Reed City Area Public Schools Board of Education entered into closed session at 7:21p.m.

Open Session

The Reed City Area Public Schools Board of Education returned to open session at 8:39p.m.

Adjournment

With no further business, the Business Meeting was adjourned at 8:40p.m.