

WHAT: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Russellville School District

DATE: Tuesday, July 20, 2021, 7:00 p.m. at the Gardner Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason Golden, Morgan Barrett, Wesley White, Janet Winn, Holli Hall, Jeff Carter, Jeremy Keaster

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrew Vining, Jeff Holt, MaryBeth Cox, Brittany Turner, Johnny Johnson, RSD Administrators, Johnny Story, Rita Richardson

The media was notified of this meeting.

7:01 p.m. The meeting was called to order by School Board President Jason Golden.

Pledge of Allegiance

IN THE MATTER OF Addenda Items Being Added to the Agenda:

- MOTION to approve adding addenda items to the agenda by Jeff Carter
 - SECOND: Holli Hall
 - Discussion: None
 - VOTE: FOR Unanimous

IN THE MATTER OF Information:

- Cyclone Stadium Press Box – Athletic Director Johnny Johnson presented to the board information about exploring the cost of building a new press box at Cyclone Stadium. He is hopeful that fundraising efforts/private donors will cover most of the cost. The press box will be in memory of the late State Senator Greg Standridge.
 - Wesley White is looking forward to the press box being updated. He believes the current press box is inadequate in comparison to other RSD facilities.
 - Jeremy Keaster wants to continue to discuss handicap parking and accessibility around the Cyclone Stadium.
- Summer Projects/Maintenance Report – Jeff Holt presented information about projects around RSD and difficulties of receiving products through shipping delays due to the pandemic. He stated that they want to get the best price, but also the best product for our facilities and kids.
- ESSER Funds – Jeff Holt presented information about how ESSER funds have been spent and how they will be spent in the future.
- SRO – Vehicles & Position – Jeff Holt Presented information about partnering with Russellville Police Department. RSD wants to buy two used police vehicles. RPD officers

would be the ones driving the vehicles, and pay the auto insurance. RSD would be responsible for the upkeep and gas of the vehicles.

- RSD would also like to add another SRO officer to be stationed at the RIS/RMS complex.
- Solar Energy – Jeff Holt presented the idea of cost exploration with Johnson Controls Group, and what a project of adding solar panels to the field house would cost.
- COVID Update – Mr. Vining gave an update that he is meeting with Administrators and teachers this week to come up with a plan that best fits the Russellville School District. “We will do what’s best for Russellville”. There will also be a zoom with AAEEA later this week for more guidelines.
- Classified Salary Schedule Report – Mr. Vining asked for extension on the 60-day deadline of August 8th for the Classified Report, to August 17th, regular school board meeting.
 - Mr. Vining wanted to make sure everyone knew what he will be presenting to the board in August is just a report, not a proposal to be voted on at that time.
- MOTION to approve extending deadline for classified report from Mr. Vining to the board at the August 17th, regular board meeting by Wesley White
 - SECOND: Morgan Barrett
 - Discussion: None
 - VOTE: FOR Unanimous

IN THE MATTER OF Consent Agenda:

- MOTION to approve all Consent Agenda items as listed with an adjustment to the June 15, 2021 Board Minutes by pulling sentence that stated, “Vote was not needed to go into executive session” by Morgan Barrett
 - SECOND: Jeff Carter
 - Discussion: Mr. Barrett believed sentence was not factual and needed to be stricken from the record of Minutes.
 - VOTE: FOR Unanimous

IN THE MATTER OF Policy:

- MOTION to approve draft revisions to Policy 4.56 by Jeremy Keaster, as presented by MaryBeth Cox.
 - SECOND: Janet Winn
 - Discussion: None
 - VOTE: FOR Unanimous

IN THE MATTER OF Personnel:

- Motion to approve all Certified and Classified staff, resignations, transfers, retirements, and employment, and approve administrative index change by Jeremy Keaster.
 - SECOND: Jeff Carter
 - Discussion: None
 - VOTE: FOR Unanimous


IN THE MATTER OF Other: Mark Tripp to formally address the board.

- Mr. Tripp asked that his address to the board be tabled or rescheduled until the August 17, 2021 board meeting, to give him time to visit with Sharon Streett, Attorney.
- MOTION to approve postponing Mr. Tripp's formal address to the board until the August 17, 2021, regular board meeting by Morgan Barrett.
 - SECOND: Janet Winn
 - Discussion: None
 - VOTE: FOR Unanimous

7:33 p.m. Meeting adjourned.



Jason Golden
School Board President



Janet Winn
School Board Secretary