

Quick Board Summary

February 16, 2023

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The regular meeting of the Richland County Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Cindy Lockley at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 16, 2023. Dennis Anderson, Alex Cline, Norm Henderson (via zoom), Marc Leist, and Cindy Lockley were in attendance. Scott Snyder and Jeff Wilson were absent. The meeting was viewable by the public via live stream at <http://live.rccul.net>.

Recognition and Comments from Employees & Public

1. Mr. Jones presented four band students that qualified for ILMEA at the state level. The students recognized were Victoria Zwilling, Evan Irvin, Kyle Rennier, and Emma Wells.
2. RCMS Librarian, Mrs. Jordan Adams, presented the board with this year's book for One Book, One Community, *Wild Bird* by Wendelin Van Draanen. The author will present "He Said, She Said" to the public on March 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the RCPAC. This event is sponsored by RCHS, RCMS, ERFAE and Carrie Winter Trust.
3. Mrs. Edwards, RCES Principal, was recognized as the 2023 Elementary Principal of the Year for the Wabash Valley Region of the Illinois Principals Association.
4. Darlene Clark, Deidra Clark, and Greg Rudolphi spoke in regards to their Pre K student riding the bus to school.
5. Evan Irvin spoke in support of a student at RCMS.

Consent Agenda Items –The regular and closed minutes of the January 26th regular board meeting, destruction of the audio recordings of July 16, 2021, January FOIA requests, and building reports were approved as presented.

Reports, Updates, & Informational Items

Financial Reports - The January financial report was included in the board packet. The monthly bill listing in the amount of \$1,038,968.89 was approved. Currently, the state owes the district \$1,429,279.84.

Superintendent's Report

- 1) Ryan Fuhler with Poettker Construction gave an update on the PreK Center Construction.
- 2) Mrs. Kacie Rodgers, Curriculum Director, presented a curriculum update on K-8 Reading, K-8 Math and Instructional Coaches.
- 3) Mr. Simpson presented the 2021-2022 21st CCLC Statewide Evaluation. It will be available to view on the district website at www.rccul.net.
- 4) Mr. Simpson presented upcoming IASB Multi-Division Regional Events coming up in March, May and June that board members can attend.

The Board of Education met in regular session at

6:00 pm at the

Richland County High School

Assistant Superintendent's Report

- 1) Mr. LeCrone presented Financial Projections for FY24 – FY26.
- 2) Mr. LeCrone gave an update on Financial Investments and using the CDARS program through TrustBank for CD investments.

Discussion/Action Items

1. The board approved the amended school calendar to reflect the emergency day used on January 25, 2023.
2. The board approved the 2022-23 Performance Rankings File for Licensed Staff as presented.
3. The board approved the 2022-23 Seniority List for Educational Support Staff as presented.
4. The board approved the bid for the RCMS Cooling Tower replacement in the amount of \$177,950.00 to A&R Mechanical.

Personnel Matters

Resignation(s) – The board approved the resignations of Kevin Paddock as RCMS Paraprofessional effective January 30, 2023, Dan Totten as Bus Driver effective February 13, 2023, Kady Stallard as RCHS Boys Assistant Soccer Coach effective February 2, 2023, and Christina VanMatre as RCMS 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach effective February 14, 2023.

Employment –

The board approved the employment of Tonya Cooley as Bus Driver effective February 17, 2023, and Bridgitte Paddick, Delaney Shryock, and Emily Wells as RCES Teachers for the 2023-2024 school year.

Approved the RCHS extra-curricular volunteers Chad Hancock and Dale Milam as Bass Fishing Boat Captains for the 2022-2023 school year and Tynan O'Neil as driver for the Richland County CEO students.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Upcoming Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 16, 2023