

## OCTOBER 2020 BOARD OVERVIEW

The Russellville Board of Education met on Tuesday, October 20, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at the Gardner Auditorium. The Buildings and Grounds Committee met at 6:30 p.m. The Finance Committee and the Policy Committee met afterward. The meeting was livestreamed and can be viewed on Facebook or YouTube.

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. The media was notified of the meeting.
2. The meeting was called to order by Board President Cloud at 7:01 p.m.
3. The principals recognized October "Employees of the Month."
4. The board approved adding addenda items to the agenda.
5. President Cloud asked if anyone wanted to address the board on an agenda item. There was no response.
6. President Cloud asked if anyone wanted to address the board on PPC policy proposals. PPC Chairman Ethan Hodge was not in attendance. There was no report.

### 7. INFORMATION

Superintendent Dr. Mark Gotcher gave the following report:

- There are currently 5,228 students
- There are 474 students in grades 8-12 who are doing option B, and 245 students in grades K-7 in RCVA
- Virtual Friday at RHS has been successful. On October 30, RJHS will begin Virtual Friday and will review at 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.
- RSD received several new grants; RIS, Mary Beth Cox, and Judy Pennington, Grant Writer for the district
- October is National Principals Month and the principals were honored
- Mr. Jim Bob Humphrey and Mr. Roy Reaves spoke about the FOTRIC 226B Camera with FLIR Thermal Imaging (Forward Looking Infrared Radar). They hope to receive donations from businesses to help the district fund these devices for 11 building entryways so all students can return to school. For more information, check out the RSD website to view the board meeting
- Dr. Gotcher recognized Crawford Elementary for receiving the National Blue Ribbon School Achievement Award
- Dr. Gotcher honored Shavon Jackson, Crawford Principal, for receiving the Terrel H. Bell Outstanding School Leadership Award

### 8. CONSENT AGENDA

The board pulled a transfer request but approved all other consent agenda items.

### 9. FINANCE

The board approved the Financial Report as presented by CFO/Assistant to the Superintendent Justin Robertson.

### 10. POLICY

- The board approved updating Policy 7.19R; Substitute Teacher Pay, and approved adding section V and VI to Policy 1.2.3.5R; Board of Education Meetings Public Participation

### 11. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

- An explanation was given regarding the change orders from HTW Architects and Engineers by Ira Wimer, Architect.

### 12. OTHER

The board approved a new position of Secretary I to serve Russellville Cyclone Virtual Academy.

### 13. PERSONNEL

The board approved all licensed and classified staff resignations, transfers, retirements, and employment as listed, and to include the addendum item.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:37p.m.