

**ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
Meeting Minutes**

**Administration Building
Tuesday, September 25, 2018**

President Kenneth Scrivano called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: President Kenneth Scrivano, Vice President Tim Rollins, Secretary Michael Connor, Mrs. Jude Makulec, Mr. Anthony Dixon, Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Jaime Escobedo

Absent: None

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon the Board **hold** an executive session to consider the appointment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of employees; the discipline of students; pending or imminent litigation; collective bargaining matters; or other matters provided for pursuant to §2 (c) of the Open Meetings Act.

Approved: 7-0-0

The Board was in executive session from 5:01p.m. until 6:50 p.m.

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1. Call to Order – *President Kenneth Scrivano called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 7:05p.m.*
 2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Roll Call
Present: President Kenneth Scrivano, Vice President Tim Rollins, Secretary Michael Connor, Mrs. Jude Makulec, Mr. Anthony Dixon, Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Jaime Escobedo
Absent: None
Mr. Scrivano thanked Conner Childers and RPS 205 graduate Rod Weddle who are working behind the scenes to produce the Board's broadcast on Channel 20.
 4. Recognition
A. ~~National Merit Semifinalists—Earl Dotson, Jr.~~ – pulled by Administration
 5. Petitions & Communications
Mr. Scrivano read the guidelines.
 - Ms. Lisa Jackson spoke of the disregard a parent was shown at a recent meeting at West Middle School.
 6. Board Member Comments
 - Mr. Connor thanked Cherry Valley Elementary School and Representative Joe Sosnowki who walked through the building. The Student Led tour was excellent.
 - Mrs. Makulec brought to members the reminder that the Northern Illinois Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is hosting Mental Illness Awareness Week, which is October 7 – 12, 2018. During the week, several informational events are being held regarding mental illness and breaking the stigma. The kick-off is October 5, is at the Rockford Area Arts Council ArtScene. The following events are also scheduled:
 - October 9: Faces of Mental Illness Education Program
 - October 10: Pizza Ranch Tip Night Fundraiser
 - October 11: Shelter Care Ministries' Jubilee Center Harvest Fest
 - October 12: Annual Rally for Mental HealthMore information is available at the NAMI Northern Illinois Facebook page.
 - Mr. Seigel expressed his condolences for the family of Marshawna Williams, as she will be missed by many.

- Mr. Escobedo spoke of the District being laser focused on academic achievement. Parents need to be their own advocate for this. Mr. Escobedo reminded parents if they don't see their children being challenged, please let contact Board members with your concerns.

7. *Consent Items

- A. Meeting Minutes: 09-11-18
- B. Payroll
- C. Accounts Payable
- D. Purchase Orders
- E. Construction Bid Request Log
- F. Contracts Under \$10,000
- G. Travel

8. Recurring Contracts

- A. Edmentum – Study Island
- B. Edmentum – Exact Path
- C. Newsela PRO License Agreements – Dr. Matthew Vosberg, Deputy Superintendent
- D. NoRedInk Software License – Dr. Matthew Vosberg, Deputy Superintendent

9. *Other Consent

- A. Workers' Compensation Agreement – LO
- B. Monthly Investment Report – August 2018 – Ms. Michelle R. Jahr, CPA – Chief Financial Officer
- C. RPS Managed Work Change Order Logs – Kevin Behling, Executive Director of Design & Construction
- D. New School Construction Change Order Logs – Kevin Behling, Executive Director of Design & Construction
- E. Freedom of Information Log

10. *Closed Session Consent Items

- A. Appointment of Michael Phillips as 12 Month Executive Director of Facilities
- B. HR Organizational Report & Addendum

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to **approve** Consent items not pulled.

Approved: Unanimously

11. *Closed Session Consent Items – Student Discipline

Unless otherwise modified below, the Board adopts and accepts the Hearing Officer's findings and recommendations in the following cases in which students expelled or suspended are prohibited from being on school grounds and school-sponsored activities without the prior written permission of the principal.

- A. GDM-4206-19 – expelled for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
- B. GDM-4207-19 – the expulsion is held in abeyance contingent upon an Expulsion in Abeyance Agreement for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
- C. GDM-4208-19 – expelled for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year.
- D. GDM-4209-19 – expelled for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year through the first semester of the 2019-2020 school year.

12. *Closed Session Consent Items – Student Discipline (EIAs)

- A. GDM-3596-19
- B. GDM-3597-19
- C. GDM-3599-19
- D. GDM-3600-19
- E. GDM-3601-19
- F. GDM-3602-19
- G. GDM-3603-19
- H. GDM-3604-19
- I. GDM-3605-19
- J. GDM-3606-19

- K. GDM-3607-19
- L. GDM-3609-19
- M. GDM-3610-19
- N. GDM-3611-19
- O. GDM-3612-19
- P. GDM-3613-19
- Q. GDM-3614-19

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to **approve** Closed Session Consent items not pulled.

Approved: Unanimously

13. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Jarrett

A. Back to School Report

Members of Dr. Jarrett's Cabinet gave a presentation regarding the District's Scorecard and Alignment Update. Each school will have its own scorecard. The scorecard will align the District's work enabling leadership to look at the same data at the same time. Key dates include:

September 26, 2018 – All Principal Professional Development

October 3, 2018 – School Improvement Day (Goal Alignment, PLC Work)

October 10, 2018 – PLC Goals Due

October 10 – 16, 2018 – Training (Scorecard Metrics, Progress Monitoring)

October 24, 2018 – Scoring and Reporting

November 28, 2018 – Focus on Progress Monitoring

Reports to Board members will be October 16, 2018 at the Committee of the Whole, non-embargoed data, November 6, 2018 Committee of the Whole, the full State Report Card Data Presentation, and weekly updates that will focus on the progress of the rollout. The full presentation may be viewed by clicking this link: [BOE Update](#).

14. *Action Items

A. Course Proposal with Contract: Pathway for Collaborative Leadership Teams

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Rollins to **approve** item 14A, Course Proposal with Contract: Pathway for Collaborative Leadership Teams.

Approved: Unanimously

B. Rockford Board of Education School District #205 Health Care Plan Document

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Rollins to **approve** item 14B, Rockford Board of Education School District #205 Health Care Plan Document.

Approved: Unanimously

Board members agreed to vote for items 14C-14J with one motion and one vote.

C. Board Policy 2.220 Board of Education; Board Meeting Procedure

D. Board Policy 4.10 Operational Services; Fiscal and Business Management

E. Board Policy 4.60 Operational Services; Purchases and Contracts

F. Board Policy 4.110 Operational Services; Transportation

G. Board Policy 5.10 General Personnel; Equal Employment Opportunities and Minority Recruitment

H. Board Policy 5.20 General Personnel; Workplace Harassment Prohibited

I. Board Policy 5.90 General Personnel; Abused and Neglected Child Reporting

J. Board Policy 5.100 General Personnel; Staff Development Program

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Rollins to **approve** items 14C-14 J, Board Policy 2.220 Board of Education; Board Meeting Procedure, Board Policy 4.10 Operational Services; Fiscal and Business Management, Board Policy 4.60 Operational Services; Purchases and Contracts, Board Policy 4.110 Operational Services; Transportation, Board Policy 5.10 General Personnel; Equal Employment Opportunities and Minority Recruitment, Board Policy 5.20 General Personnel, Workplace Harassment Prohibited, Board Policy 5.90 General Personnel; Abused and Neglected Child Report, Board Policy 5.100 General Personnel; Staff Development Program.

Approved: Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to **reconvene** in Closed Session at 8:35 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to **convene** in Closed Session at 8:40 p.m.

Approved: Unanimously

The Board was in executive session from 8:40 p.m. to 9:05 p.m.

15. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to **adjourn.**

Adjournment: 9:05 p.m.

Approved: 10-09-18

President: Kenneth J. Scrivano /s/

Secretary: Michael S. Connor /s/

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