

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

**Administration Building
Tuesday, September 24, 2019**

President Kenneth Scrivano called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Motion by Mr. Connors seconded by Mr. Seigel that 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 5:32 p.m. to 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 7:08 p.m.
 2. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Roll Call
Present: President Kenneth Scrivano, Vice President Tim Rollins, Secretary Jude Makulec, Mr. Anthony Dixon, Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Michael Connor
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. Petitions & Communications
Mr. Scrivano read the guidelines.
 - Mr. Shane Bartelt of Impact spoke of his company's recent initiatives regarding cyber security.
 5. Board Member Comments
 - Mr. Rollins thanked everyone for their patience and complimented staff for their creative workarounds and continually delivering content to kids.
 - Mrs. Makulec spoke of the workarounds and positive attitudes staff have demonstrated. She expressed her appreciation for their patience. She also shared how students are using pen and paper, not relying on technology. Schools are doing well with the cell-phone policy. She ended her statements with thanking IT for all their work.
 - Mr. Seigel echoed Board member comments and received positive feedback from teachers. He also stated his daughter was using a geometry book to complete homework.
 - Mr. Connor thanked teachers, staff, and the IT department. He spoke of being appreciative of their effort and cooperation. As there are local hacking attempts, he suggested that staff meet and speak with municipal groups. He also spoke of attending the Education Summit which covered the importance of early childhood and pathways.
 - Mr. Scrivano spoke and clarified "staff" that includes Finance, and that payroll was processed. Finance and Payroll were complimented on all the hard work that is being accomplished to keep up with the work. He also complimented Human Resources and all staff members. He also mentioned that September 24 was National Punctuation Day, a day to celebrate the importance of punctuation. Mrs. Dettman and Dr. Jarrett were English teachers.
 6. *Consent Items
 - A. ~~Meeting Minutes: 09-10-19, 08-27-19~~ – Corrected – pulled by Mr. Dixon
 - B. Payroll
 - C. Accounts Payable
 - D. Purchase Orders
 - E. Contracts Under \$10,000
 - F. Travel
 7. *Other Consent
 - A. Monthly Cash and Investment Report – August 2019 – Jamie Murray – Executive Director of Finance

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

Approved: Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Rollins seconded by Mr. Seigel to approve Consent item pulled 6A, Meeting Minutes: 09-10-19, 08-27-19 – Corrected.

Yeas: Mr. Rollins, Mr. Scrivano, Mrs. Makulec, Mr. Seigel, Mr. Connor, Ms. Stanford

Abstain: Mr. Dixon

Approved: 6-0-1

8. *Closed Session Consent Items

A. HR Organizational Report & Addendum

9. *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-2010-20~~ – pulled by Mr. Rollins

B. GDM-4300-20.

10. Closed Session Consent Items – Student Discipline (EIAs)

A. GDM-1070-20

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

Approved: Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to approve Closed Session Consent item pulled 9A, Student Discipline GDM-2010-20.

Yeas Mrs. Makulec, Mr. Seigel, Mr. Connor, Ms. Stanford, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Scrivano

Abstain: Mr. Rollins

Approved: 6-0-1

Superintendent's Report

B. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Jarrett

11. *Action Items

A. MOU – Winnebago County Health Department

12. Other Business/New Business/Agenda Recommendations

Board members agreed to suspend the rules for the following with one motion and one vote. Administration is requesting to suspend the rules to consider item 13A, Crypsis, 13B, Third Party Offsite Storage, and 13C, PowerSchool Redundancy Contract as the District has experience technology outages that have negatively impacted its daily operations

A. **Crypsis – Jason Barthel, Executive Director of Technology

B. **Third Party Offsite Storage – Jason Barthel, Executive Director of Technology

C. **PowerSchool Redundancy Contract – Mr. Jason Barthel, Executive Director of Technology

13. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to adjourn.

Adjournment: 7:42 p.m.

Approved: 10-08-19

President: *Kenneth J. Scrivano /s/*

Secretary: *Jude B. Makulec /s/*

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