

ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
Meeting Minutes

Administration Building
Tuesday, May 12, 2020

President Kenneth Scrivano called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 6:15p.m.

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

Absent: None

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon that the Board **hold** an executive session to consider the appointment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; student disciplinary cases; the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; collective bargaining matters; security procedures, school building safety and security; the purchase, sale or lease of real property; or other matters provided for pursuant to §2(c) of the Open Meetings Act.

Approved: Unanimously

Pursuant to a Motion made in accordance with the Illinois Open Meeting Act and approved on a roll call vote, the Board, utilizing Zoom, was in executive session from 6:15p.m. to 7:13 p.m.

1. Call to Order – President Kenneth Scrivano, utilizing Zoom, called the regular meeting of the Rockford Board of Education to order at 7:26 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, Ms. June Stanford
Absent: None
4. Petitions & Communications
There were no public speakers
5. Board Member Comments.
 - Mr. Connor spoke with an East High School parent whose son is a salutatorian and the scores of congratulations received on social media. The billboards for the students was successful and Mr. Connor thanked the Board members.
 - Mr. Scrivano gave a shout-out to the Administration team for keeping things rolling during these difficult times. He congratulated the team on crisis management. Mr. Scrivano also spoke of the upcoming challenges and how the District will maintain student outcomes with the current scenario, how to teach students, and how to keep students from sliding back.
6. *Consent Items
 - A. Meeting Minutes: 04-30-20 – High Impact Governing Discussion, 04-28-20
 - B. Payroll
 - C. Accounts Payable
 - D. ~~Purchase Orders~~ – pulled by Mr. Seigel
 - E. Contracts Under \$10,000
 - F. Construction Bid Request Log
7. *Bid Recommendations
 - A. IFB 20-34 Security Technician for Alarm Systems, Cameras and Keyless (STACK) Access
 - B. IFB 20-35 Interior Renovations at Flinn MS and Kennedy MS
 - C. IFB 20-36 Lathrop ES Draining Improvement Project
 - D. IFB 20-39 Lincoln MS ADA Sidewalk Renovation
 - E. IFB 20-40 Stage Rigging and Curtains at Five Schools
 - F. IFB 20-42 Auburn HS Security Vestibule Project
 - G. IFB 20-43 Administration Building Clerestory and Atrium Project
 - H. IFB 20-44 Asbestos Abatement at Brookview, Eisenhower, Gregory, and Haskell Schools
 - I. IFB 20-45 OSC Building Remodel – Phase 1
 - J. IFB 20-47 Interior Renovations at Barbour, Brookview, Gregory, and Haskell Schools
8. *Other Consent
 - A. Interest Transfer: May 2020 – Ms. Jamie Murray, CPA, Executive Director of Finance

B. Crusader Community Health Facility Rental Fee Waiver – Michael Phillips, Executive Director of Facilities

C. Freedom of Information Log

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

Approved: Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Rollins to approve Consent item pulled 6D, Purchase Orders.

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

Abstain: Mr. Seigel

Approved: 6-0-2

9. *Closed Session Consent Items

A. HR Organization Report & Addendum

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Seigel to approve Closed Session Consent items.

Approved: Unanimously

10. Superintendent's Report

A. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Jarrett

Dr. Jarrett provided a high-level overview of possible scenarios for the 2020-2021 school year. The first scenario is a traditional start for all grades. The second is a combination of face to face and remote learning that includes alternate days for students in buildings and home. The third is remote learning that would be more synchronous with bell schedules. All three scenarios could be used dependent on the health of the community and the science.

Dr. Jarrett also spoke of his appreciation for the volume and support of faculty, staff, principals, and community effort during these unusual times. Comments included concerns raised with the second option; the impact on working parents and childcare issues. There are many options to consider for younger students as well Special Education students. Dr. Jarrett will continue to consult with the Board, Illinois State Board of Education, and the community.

11. Action Items

A. Board Policy 4.50 Operational Services; Payment Procedures

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to approve item 11A, Board Policy 4.50 Operational Services; Payment Procedures. Recommendation

Approved: Unanimously

B. Board Policy 6.300 Instruction; Graduation Requirements

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to approve item 11B, Board Policy 6.300 Instruction; Graduation Requirements.

Approved: Unanimously

C. Board Policy 7.260 Students; Exemption from Physical Activity

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Mr. Dixon to approve item 11C, Board Policy 7.260 Students; Exemption from Physical Activity.

Approved: Unanimously

12. Other Business/New Business/Agenda Recommendations

A. RFQ 20-27 Kitchen Consultant – Mr. Michael Phillips, Executive Director of Facilities

Nutrition Services has identified a need to renovate some of the District's older kitchens and cafeterias. The Nutrition Services team has identified East High School and Rolling Green Elementary Schools as locations that do not effectively serve the student population due to kitchen and serving line layout. Requests for Quotes were issued, and responses include Mackesey & Associates, and Clevenger Associates. After review, the District chose Mackesey, the cost not exceeding \$75,000 a year. The focus will be centered around creating spaces that improve staff efficiency, maximize speed of service and that are customer focused that encourage student and staff participation. Mr. Phillips will work with Mackesey & Associates to write a report to the United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) requesting to use Nutrition Services' fund balances to pay for the cost of equipment and renovations.

This will return for a vote at the May 26, 2020 Board meeting.

B. Board Member Action Steps

There were no action steps

13. Organization of the Board

A. Adjournment Sine Die

B. Selection of President Pro Tempore

C. Call to Order by President Pro Tempore

D. Election of Board President

E. Election of Board Vice President

F. Election of Board Secretary

Motion by Mr. Seigel seconded by Mr. Dixon to extend the terms of the current Board Officers through May 15, 2021.

Approved: Unanimously

Conner Childers gave an update regarding Channel 20 access. The part needed for repairs is ordered, and when received will be installed.

14.

Adjournment

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

Adjournment: 7:49 p.m.

Approved: 05/26/20

President: *Kenneth J. Scrivano /s/*

Secretary: *Jude B. Makulec /s/*