

ROCKFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS
Meeting Minutes

Administration Building
Tuesday, August 23, 2022

President Jude Makulec called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: President Jude Makulec, Vice President Tim Rollins, Secretary June Stanford, Ms. Denise Pearson, Ms. Kamrin Muhammad (arr. 5:11 p.m.), Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Michael Connor

Absent: None

Motion by Mr. Connor seconded by Ms. Pearson 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: 6-0-1

The Board was in executive session from 5:01 p.m. to 6:53 p.m.

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1. Call to Order – President Jude Makulec called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:05 p.m.
 - A. Roll Call
Present: President Jude Makulec, Secretary June Stanford, Ms. Denise Pearson, Ms. Kamrin Muhammad, Mr. David Seigel, Mr. Michael Connor
Absent: Vice President Tim Rollins
Mrs. Makulec thanked Conner Childers who produces the Board’s broadcast on Channel 20, and YouTube Live. She also apologized to the public for being late
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance
 - C. Recitation of Mission Statement: The Mission of Rockford Public School is to collaboratively engage all students in a first-class education for a changing world.
 2. Public Hearing on the Tentative 2022-2023 Budget
 - A. Public Hearing on the Tentative 2022-2023 Budget
There were no speakers.
 3. Petitions & Communications
There were no speakers.
 4. Board Member Comments
 - A. Board Member Comments
 - Mr. Seigel commented this was the last meeting before the beginning of the school year. Teachers are returning August 29 and wished them a great week of learning and a great school year.
 - Ms. Pearson spoke of information she read from the Hunt Institute and US Department of Education regarding redesigning education with innovate approaches. She spoke of not focusing on the global issue regarding teachers, bus drivers, administrators. Ms. Pearson commented the importance of creating innovative ways recruiting and retaining teachers and the challenge of removing barriers for people to become teachers. Ms. Pearson thanked Treveda Redmond for her service at Kennedy Middle School.
 5. Superintendent’s Report
 - A. Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Jarrett
Dr. Jarrett welcomed back students, faculty, and staff, being focused on that as there is a great deal of work to ensure everyone is ready to go on September 1 when students arrive. The next two weeks are the culmination of a lot of hard. Administration will continue to keep the Board and community updated to ensure the District has a high quality safe, and well-designed learning environment at all forty-one of the schools, and three charter schools.

6. *Consent Agenda – Performance and Monitoring Committee
- A. Payroll
 - B. Accounts Payable
 - C. Purchase Orders (FY22)
 - D. Purchase Order (FY23)
 - E. Air Travel
 - F. Construction Pay Request Log
 - G. RPS Managed Work Change – Change Order Logs – Scott Jensen Director of Design and Construction
 - H. Change Order Log ESSER, APR ESSER and Related Projects – Scott Jensen, Director of Design and Construction
 - I. Monthly Cash and Investment Report - July 2022 - Jamie Murray, CPA, Executive Director of Finance

7. *Consent Items – Governance Committee
- A. Meeting Minutes: 08-09-2022
 - B. Contract Purchase Orders
 - C. Workers' Compensation Settlement Agreement - MP
 - D. Freedom of Information Log

Approved: Unanimously

8. *Closed Session Consent Items
- A. Appointment of Aaron Rios as a 10-Month Assistant Principal assigned to Kennedy Middle School
 - B. ~~Appointment of Laura Piegols as a 10-Month Assistant Principal assigned to Kennedy Middle School – pulled by Administration~~
 - C. Appointment of Kye Gaffey as 10-Month Assistant Principal assigned to Kennedy Middle School
 - D. Appointment of Ayla Peczkowski as 10-Month Assistant Principal assigned to East
 - E. Appointment of Amy Powell as 11-Mopnth Elementary Principal assigned to Rolling Green
 - F. Appointment of Kourtni Gray as 12 Month Middle School Principal assigned to Kennedy Middle School
 - G. Appointment of Gary Griffin as 12 Month High School Assistant Principal assigned to East
 - H. Appointment of Ann Peiffer as 12 Month Dean of Foundational and Early Literacy assigned to the Administration Building
 - I. HR Organization Report & Addendum

9. *Closed Session Consent Items Student Discipline – EIAs

- A. GDM-8661-22

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

Approved: Unanimously

10. Other Business/New Business/Agenda Recommendations

- A. Board Member Action Steps

Board members requested the following:

- Attendance and success rates of the Live/Learn/Play programs
- Board Policy 6.280

Dr. Jarrett spoke to both. Board Policy 6.280 will return to the October Committee of the Whole meeting. A report on the Live/Learn/Play and summer programs will be presented at the end of September.

The Board Retreat is scheduled for October 1, 2022.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Connor second by Ms. Pearson to **adjourn**.

Adjournment: 7:55 p.m.

Approved:

President:

Secretary: