

**Park Rapids Area School Board
Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 20th, 2023
6:00 PM
Park Rapids High School Aquarium**

Chairperson Safratowich called the Meeting to order. Members present and order to vote was Morgan, Diekmann, Hoyt, Pike, Kocka & Safratowich. Principals Jeff Johnson & Mike LeMeir were present, as well as Business Manager Kent Fritze and Superintendent Lance Bagstad along with staff and community members.

RECITED the Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVED Agenda and Addendums as presented. Kocka/Morgan

HEARD Presentations

- a. High School Student of the Month for November – Reese Hanson
- b. Middle School Students of the Month for November – Carter Pickett & McKinlea Appel
- c. **Project 309 Update - ADDENDUM**

APPROVED Consent Items as follows: Hoyt/Diekmann

- a. Approve payments Presented for November 2023
- b. Approve Minutes of the November 6th, 2023 Working Board Meeting
- c. Approve Reinstating – Chris Kirchner, Head E Sports Coach
- d. Approve New Hire – Katie Eischens, Junior High Gymnastics Coach
- e. Approve Volunteer - James Hartig, Boys Basketball Coach
- f. Approve Update to the 23-24 Panther Guide, High School Dance Policy
- g. Approve Second Reading 413 Harassment and Violence Policy
- h. Approve Second Reading 606.1 Textbooks, Curriculum, Resources, and Recreational Materials Selection/Reconsideration Procedure
- i. **Approve Reducing posted custodial positions from 8 hours per day to 6 hours per day – ADDENDUM**
- j. **Approve Resignation – Julie Eck, Middle School Paraprofessional – ADDENDUM**
- k. **Approve Resignation – Jane Peterson, Elementary School Paraprofessional - ADDENDUM**

HEARD Monthly Student Council Advisor – Nothing to report at this time.

HEARD Monthly Superintendent Report- Region 1 is looking for some joint powers board members. Thanks Jeff, David and Katie for your presentation at MREA. I really appreciate everything that MREA brings to us as a school. Project 309 is greatly appreciated for the info again tonight. We are starting to plan for 24-25.

HEARD Monthly Business Manager Report- I am working on the December budget. The legislature is giving us a run for our money with the numbers that we need to be using. MDE has been very helpful and are doing a great job trying to give us answers on some legislative budget. I am working on an ESSER audit as well as the food service budget. You will be approving the revenue and expenditures. Marie and RJ have been working on the Health and sick time leave more information will be coming as they continue to work out the details on that.

HEARD Monthly Principals' Report

Johnson – Tomorrow is the end of our trimester as well as a band concert this evening. We have started working on how things are going to look for next year in a different setting for the duration of project 309. We have several ideas for how things will go over the next couple years.
Lemier – Thanks to Alan for putting up the banners last week. We has conferences last week with 92% attendance. Last Friday Ashley Schmitz took a bunch of kids through firearm safety with help from the DNR. Chris Kirchner is going to take a group of kids to the DaVinci exhibit. We are really starting to look to the future and get things ready for next school year.
Frank – I am making contact with several of our county officials and several groups in the area to work with them on our attendance in the buildings.

HEARD Monthly Activities Directors Report – We has a successful fall season wrap up last week. We now have Winter sports starting with several events already in full swing. Sports will ramp up after Thanksgiving.

HEARD Monthly Community Education Report – We are working on our winter brochure. Next Wednesday we will be heading to NYC with 151 people to see Christmas in New York.

HEARD Monthly Facilities Director Report- At century we installed a new loading dock lift to help with that issue. We are trying to replace some lights with LED's in the parking lot to help with cost and effectiveness.

HEARD Monthly Director of Curriculum and Instruction Report – PRAVA students and teachers are wrapping up 1st trimester and getting things going for next trimester. I want to thank Lisa Coborn and Angie Kuehn for their partnership with our program. We will be presenting our WBWF plan at next meeting.

HEARD Monthly Special Education Directors Report- I am working on a lot of things for the state department for all of our districts. I am also looking at end of year report for early childhood teams to be reported. I want to say thank you because my involvement in MASE has been very beneficial and I get a lot of legal advice for free when I attend those conferences.

HEARD New Business

- a. Approve District Revenues and Expenditures Budget for FY 2023 and FY 2024 Pike/Kocka
- b. Motion for the proposed termination of school district employee Diekmann/Morgan

REVIEWED Enrollment

DONATIONS RECEIVED AND APPRECIATED

<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT/ITEM</u>
Century Elem/Elise Erickson	Itasca Mantrap	\$400
Century Elem/Josh Cook	Itasca Mantrap	\$250
Century Elem/Megan Ryhkus	Itasca Mantrap	\$200
Century MS/Carmen Arellano	Itasca Mantrap	\$250
Park Rapids High School/John Cook	Itasca Mantrap	\$1243
Park Rapids High School/JT Luther	Itasca Mantrap	\$1947
Park Rapids School District	Citizens National Bank	\$1,739.30
Century Middle School/ C. Kirchner	Heartland Arts Incorporated	\$900

HEARD Other Items:

- a. Board Meeting Dates - January 1st, New Years Holiday 2024 & January 15th, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, February 19, 2024, Presidents day.

Suggested Dates: January 8th and 22nd, February 20th - All are ok with the suggested dates
Hoyt/Morgan

RECESSED to Closed session pursuant to Chapter 13D – Negotiation Strategies 6:40pm
Kocka/Morgan

OPENED closed session at 6:43pm Hoyt/Diekmann

CLOSED closed session at 7:09pm Pike/Diekmann

ADJOURN at 7:10pm Kocka/Diekmann