

ROSSVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
January 9, 2024

The School Board met January 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rossville Consolidated School District Flex Space. Members present were Joe Hufford, Nathan Root, and Julia Mink. Nathan McCullough and Jentry Pendleton were absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. James Hanna, Kate Washburn, Kim Prather, Karla Metzler, Jacqui Foshee, Jeremiah Terry, Kayleigh Dunham, Kathryn Mellinger, Ryan Longenecker, Megan Longenecker, Elaine Mellinger, Mike Gochenour, Steph Gochenour, Sean Barnes, Lisa Barnes, Stephanie Rodkey, Chad Dennison, Stef Emens, Terry Thompson, and Mandi Pennington.

The following registrants stayed for the Spotlight portion of the meeting – Stefanie Skiles, The Bush Family, Maureen Sharp, Brittany Need, and Phil Carter.

Mrs. Brittany Need, FFA Advisor, recognized the recent achievements of several FFA members and volunteers during the Spotlight portion of the meeting.

The Horse Judging Team of Bailey Schluttenhofer (gold), Hannah and Allie Newbauer (silver), and Natalee Richey (bronze) received a team bronze medal. The team was coached by Bessie Newbauer. The FFA Forestry Team of Kadence Emenhiser (3rd out of 204 competitors), Makayla Spray, Emersyn Hill and Kolton Davis were State Champions.

The FFA Forestry Team - 4-H Division placed second. The team consisted of Lewis Miller (6th), Aiden Root (2nd out of 37 competitors), Ryan Wolf, and Zach Hubler.

The Entomology Junior Division placed second. The team consisted of Adeline Dunderman (9th), Eleanor Sharp (7th out of 57 competitors), Jackson Pattengale, and Chloe Yeagley.

The Crops Team coached by Phil Carter, placed 4th in the State. The team consisted of Natalee Richey (7th out of 172 competitors), Madison Skiles, Leif Eller, and Blake Fearnow.

The students competing in the State Welding competition on January 20, 2024, are Nick Bush, Coleton Heater, Colton Crum, Wyatt Patrick, and Blake Fearnow. Nick Bush was recognized for placing highest in the district competition.

After the FFA recognitions, Mrs. Kate Washburn recognized the Rossville Consolidated School District Board of Education. The Indiana School Board Association has designated January as School Board Appreciation Month.

Mr. Hufford opened the meeting up for public comment. Karla Metzler, Jeremiah Terry, and Jacqui Foshee made comment.

A motion was entered by Nathan Root and seconded by Julia Mink to approve claims 19788-19890, the payroll dated December 22, 2023, the Executive Session minutes from December 12, 2023, and the minutes of the regular session meeting on December 12, 2023. The motion carried 3-0.

Julia Mink entered a motion nominating Joe Hufford for Board President, Nathan Root for Vice President, and Nathan McCullough as Secretary. The second was entered by Nathan Root. The motion carried 3-0.

A motion was entered by Julia Mink and seconded by Nathan Root to appoint Nathan Root as ISBA Delegate, Nathan McCullough as the Athletic Council Representative, and Jentry Pendleton as the Scholarship Committee Representative. The motion passed 3-0.

A motion was made by Nathan Root and seconded by Julia Mink to approve the following 2024 appointments:

Mandi Pennington	Treasurer
Cara Cornell	Deputy Treasurer
Dr. Jim Hanna	HIPAA Privacy Officer & Complaint Officer

The motion passed 3-0. (ATTACHMENT II)

The following **personnel items** were approved:

Rossville Elementary would like to hire a Tier 2 Instructional Assistant to provide instruction and help manage student in Special Ed Department due to the increase number of the special education students.

Amanda Padgett submitted her resignation as an Instructional Assistant effective December 22, 2023.

Aubree Buck submitted her resignation effective December 22, 2023.

Elizabeth Welty was hired as a Tier I Preschool Instructional Assistant beginning January 9, 2024.

Christi Ummel was hired as a Tier I Instructional Assistant to assist with the Speech and Language Services for the spring of 2024.

Nicholas Warford was hired as the Technology Assistant beginning duties on January 8, 2024.

Dora Salinas was hired for the part-time Cafeteria position.

Cory Dunn was appointed as the Administrative Assistant for the remainder of the school year. He will be compensated \$5,000 for the extra duties.

Marshall Crawford was hired on a temporary contract as a Physical Education teacher for second semester. His salary will be \$22,000 for the remainder of the 2023-2024 school year. He will begin his duties on January 15, 2024.

The following coaches will use the facility in preparation for the Legacy Basketball League:

4 th Grade	3 rd Grade
Janelle Pattengale	Tyler Rudd
Curt Pattengale	Nikki Lebo
Brianna Haupt	
Darrin Haupt	
Tressie Mitchell	

Recommended changes were approved for the following:

Technology Assistant – job description and handbook

Assistant Principal – job description

The motion to approve was entered by Julia Mink and seconded by Nathan Root. The motion passed 3-0. (ATTACHMENT I)

The following **policy items** were approved:

Retired

- Section 809 - Student Fees and Charges
- Section 812 – Curricular Material Rental Fund

First Reading

- Section 6011 – Rainy Day Fund
- Section 6100 – Internal Controls
- Section 6210 – Purchases of Supplies and Materials
- Section 7030 – Fixed Assets Inventory
- Section 7201 - Energy Conservation
- Section 8513 – Political Activities on School Property

Second Reading

- Section 1200 - Board Organization – Officers
- Section 4040 - Audio and Video Taping Case Conferences
- Section 4200 – Student Wellness – Physical Activity and Nutrition
- Section 4210 – Administration of Medication

Second Reading – Police Department Policies

- POLICE 100 – Law Enforcement Authority
- POLICE 101 – Chief Executive Officer
- POLICE 102 – Oath of Office
- POLICE 103 – Policy Manual
- POLICE 104 – Code of Ethics

POLICE 200 – Organizational Structure and Responsibility
POLICE 201 – General Orders
POLICE 202 – Emergency Operation Plans
POLICE 203 – Training
POLICE 204 – Electronic Mail
POLICE 205 – Administrative Communication
POLICE 305 – Officer Involved Shootings and Deaths
POLICE 306 - Firearms

The motion for approval was entered by Nathan Root and seconded by Julia Mink. The motion passed 3-0. (ATTACHMENT II)

The following **financial items** were approved on a motion entered by Julia Mink and seconded by Nathan Root:

The Early Literacy Grant distributions to staff who were responsible for delivering literacy and reading instruction on January 19, 2024, payroll.

Jeremiah Terry's donation of an Ender 3V2 Neo and Ender 5 Pro – 3D printers.

Daughters of the American Revolution book donation *A Time to Honor* from the Indiana Library Association.

The motion passed 3-0. (ATTACHMENT III)

The following **miscellaneous items** were approved:

Surplus/Obsolete Equipment to be disposed of as per Indiana Law.

Paul Mullen's overnight conference request to the IMEA Professionals Conference in Fort Wayne, January 11-13, 2024.

The motion was entered by Nathan Root and seconded by Julia Mink. (ATTACHMENT IV)

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon proper motion and second the meeting was adjourned.

President

Member

Vice-President

Member

Secretary