

ROSSVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
March 4, 2025

The School Board met March 4, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rossville Consolidated School District Media Center. Members present were Nathan Root, Jentry Pendleton, and Brent Michael. Members absent were Joe Hufford and Nathan McCullough. Also present were Dr. James Hanna, Mike Hammons, Kristine Morris, Karla Metzler, and Mandi Pennington.

The Spotlight portion of the evening recognized the accomplishments of Rossville High School Wrestling Team. Those present for the Spotlight portion were Nate Burkle, Noah Weaver, Fynn Maish, Jacob Weaver, Donovan Storey, Luke Weaver, Jacob Cole, Colten Klecz, Matt Weaver, Noah Stingley. Dr. Hanna spoke of the team's successes: Hoosier Heartland Conference Champions – with six (6) individual champions, seven (7) regional qualifiers, four (4) semi-state qualifiers, three (3) state qualifiers, one (1) two-time state champion, and the 2025 Ward E. Brown Mental Attitude Award for Boys Wrestling – Noah Weaver. Nate Burkle introduced the team members in attendance. Coach Matt Weaver spoke of the team's academic and personal successes.

No public comment was entered.

A motion was entered by Jentry Pendleton and seconded by Brent Michael to approve claims 21217-21301, the payroll dated February 14 and 28, 2025, the regular session and the Executive Session meeting minutes from February 4, 2025. The motion passed 3-0.

The following **personnel items** were approved:

Haley Souerdike has submitted her resignation as an elementary teacher effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Leila Kempinski has requested FMLA from September 2 – December 19, 2025. She will return on the first day of the second semester.

Kathy Jackson will fill the FMLA leave for Mrs. Kempinski at a rate of \$239.25 per day.

Mr. Gorbett has requested an additional position for the summer from June 2 – July 25, 2025.

This position will work a maximum of 25 hours per week at an hourly rate of \$14.00 per hour.

A motion was entered by Brent Michael to approve the personnel items. Jentry Pendleton entered the second. The motion passed 3-0.

The following **policy items** were approved:

First Read Policies:

Section 3210 – Use of Equipment.....New

Section 4401 – Student Searches.....Revised

Second Read Policies:

Section 3220 - Professional Development Conferences-Meetings...Revised

Section 5510 - Educationally Related Activities.....Revised

The motion for approval was entered by Jentry Pendleton and seconded by Brent Michael. The motion passed 3-0. (ATTACHMENT I)

The following **financial items** were approved on a motion entered by Brent Michael and seconded by Jentry Pendleton:

- The results of the Audit performed by Crowe LLC on behalf of the State Board of Accounts through fiscal year ending June 2024 were provided for informational purposes. Once finalized the report will be posted to the state and district website.
 - A resolution was presented to close funds with zero balances, and to transfer a \$.16 balance to Operations fund and close the fund.
 - Donation to the Academic Honors account from The Farmers Bank of \$150.
- The motion passed 3-0. (ATTACHMENT II)

The following **miscellaneous items** were approved:

- Mr. Hammons has requested six (6) \$500 Moore Scholarships and five (5) \$1000 Luella V Davis and Everett D Davis Trust Scholarships be awarded to students in the 2025 Senior Class. Recipients will be selected by the Scholarship Committee.
- The wrestling team requested an overnight field trip to attend the 2025 IHSAA Wrestling State Championship on February 21 & 22, 2025. Three (3) athletes qualified for the event. Dr. Hanna is requesting retroactive approval of this request.
- Varsity and JV Cheer has requested to attend cheer camp at Anderson University, July 22 – 25, 2025.
- Dr. Hanna is requesting approval for travel and lodging expenses to attend the Transfinder’s Annual Client Summit in Nashville, Tennessee from March 30- April 2, 2025. Dr. Hanna was one of three scholarship winners to have his conference fee waived.
- Chief Dillingham has requested Officer Mitchell Cottrell attend the Basic School Resource Officer Training in Michigan City, Indiana on June 16 – 20, 2025. The training is mandatory for officers who regularly work in school settings.

The approval motion was entered by Jentry Pendleton and seconded by Brent Michael. (ATTACHMENT III)

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