

ROSSVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
April 8, 2025

The Rossville Consolidated School District Board of Education held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rossville School Library. Board members present included Joe Hufford, Nathan Root, Jentry Pendleton, and Brent Michael. Nathan McCullough was absent. Also in attendance were Superintendent Dr. James Hanna, Mike Hammons, Chad Dennison, Kim Prather, Ryan Prather, Gideon Prather, David Mackey, Katie Mackey, Denver Mackey, Karla Metzler, Alisha Maish, Rylynn Maish, Alexis Simons, Nicole Simons, Nathan Burkle, Dustin Shadbolt, and Cara Cornell.

The meeting began with the Spotlight - a celebration of student achievement, recognizing winners of the James Whitcomb Riley poetry contest. Students Rylynn Maish ("Little Orphant Annie"), Denver Mackey ("The Ole Hay-Mow"), Alexis Simons ("Granny"), and Gideon Prather ("The Raggedy Man") performed their selected poems.

No public comment was entered.

On a motion by Nathan Root, seconded by Jentry Pendleton, the Board approved the minutes of March 4, 2025, regular session meeting, claims 21303 - 21395, payroll claims dated March 14 & 28, 2025, and review of March 2025 financial reports. The motion passed 4-0.

The following *personnel items* were approved:

Evan North submitted his resignation as a teacher effective at the end of the 2024–2025 school year.

Gabrielle Hamilton submitted her resignation as the Clinton County Joint Services Administrative Assistant effective May 22, 2025.

Wes Nagle submitted his resignation as the Rossville Track Varsity Assistant Coach. Sam Blackburn and Megan Arnone were approved as substitute teachers.

The hiring of a teacher to provide Extended School Year services for a fifth-grade student up to six hours per week, as determined by the case conference committee.

The following spring coaches were approved:

Judy Homco - Girls Varsity Tennis Head Coach

Brad Mohler - Girls Tennis Volunteer Assistant Coach

Nate Burkle – Girls Tennis Volunteer Assistant Coach

Thomas St. Myer – Track MS/HS Volunteer Assistant Coach

The approval motion was entered by Jentry Pendleton. Brent Michael entered the second. The motion passed 4-0.

The following *policy items* were approved:

First Read Policies:

SECTION 2730 – Possessing Firearms on School Property.... Revised

SECTION 4420 – Police Relations.....New

SECTION 5105 – Virtual Education Program..... Revised

SECTION 8521 – Civility and Decorum Policy..... New

Second Read Policies:

SECTION 3210 – Use of Equipment..... New

SECTION 4401 – Student Searches..... Reviewed

The approval motion was entered by Brent Michael. Jentry Pendleton entered the second. The motion passed 4-0. (ATTACHMENT I)

The following *financial items* were approved:

Information Only – Final Audit Reports, July 2022 - June 2024

Continue partnership with Indiana Online Academy for the 2025-2026 school year.

Revisions to the Clinton County Joint Services Agreement - clarifying that the Cooperative will assume responsibility for legal expenses related to Joint Services employees.

A significant discussion was held regarding the condition of the school's outdoor track. Due to deteriorating conditions and long-term weather impact, Dr. Hanna recommended complete resurfacing and renovation of the track, long jump, high jump, and pole vault areas. Tecton Construction Management submitted a proposal with a total cost of \$228,658.50. Dr. Hanna recommended the project be funded using Rainy Day funds.

Preschool Tuition rates were approved for the 2025-2026 school year:

4-5 Year Olds/2nd year in program – Five Days per Week - \$425

3-4 Year Olds/1st year in program – Three Days per Week - \$275

Application fee for new applicants - \$50.00

Payments are due on the first day of the month for the following month- Example August is due on July 1st. If the payment is not received within five business days of the due date a \$25 late fee will be assessed. If the payment on the student's account is not received within ten business days from the due date, the student will be removed from the program.

The Board graciously accepted several donations:

A \$300 donation from Gary and Brenda Spray to the Rossville FFA.

A saxophone and clarinet were donated anonymously to the band program.

A Rifton Pacer Gait Trainer valued at \$999 was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Conklin to support students with mobility needs.

Nathan Root entered the approval motion and Brent Michael entered the second. The motion passed 4-0. (ATTACHMENT II)

The following *miscellaneous items* were approved:

Permission for PAC (Parent Advisory Council) use of buses and drivers for the May 9, 2025, Grandparents' Day shuttle service from overflow parking provided at the Rossville Methodist and Presbyterian churches.

Retroactive approval of Mini-Volleyball Camp, April 1-3 after School – PreK–3rd grade, cost \$40

Resolution for Eventlink's online payment system to pay athletic officials in compliance with guidance from the State Board of Accounts.

Declaration and disposal of surplus and obsolete equipment, including selling a 2010 GMC Cutaway Bus to the Taylor School Corporation for \$1,000.

The motion for approval was entered by Jentry Pendleton and seconded by Brent Michael. The motion passed 4-0. (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