

Quick Board Summary

September 21, 2023

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The regular meeting of the Richland County Board of Education was called to order by President Scott Snyder at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2023. Scott Snyder, Jake Anderson, Cindy Bailey, Norm Henderson, Marc Leist, Cindy Lockley were in attendance. Absent: Jeff Wilson. The meeting was not viewable via live stream.

Recognition and Comments from Employees & Public

1. The board welcomed new teachers and licensed staff that are new to the district for the 2023-24 school year for a meet and greet.
2. Amy Rusk and two members of the Olnean Staff, Tea Cline and Abigail Totten, presented the 2022-2023 yearbooks to the board. The theme for the yearbook was "A Year Worth Watching"
3. Mr. Houchin introduced three RCHS Students, Genevieve Carey, Evelyn Potter, and Claire Vaal, that received academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Programs.

Consent Agenda Items –The regular and closed minutes of the August regular board meeting and the September special meeting, destruction of the audio recordings of February 10, 17, & 24, 2022, August FOIA requests, fundraiser requests, and the 2023 EIS Administrator and Teacher Salary Report were approved as presented.

Reports, Updates, & Informational Items

Financial Reports - The August financial report was included in the board packet. The monthly bill listing in the amount of \$2,291,890.36 was approved.

Superintendent's Report

1. The District's current enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year is 2258 and includes the Birth to 3 Program through Grade 12.
2. Mr. Fox advised board members that the IASB Wabash Valley Division Meeting will be held in Effingham on October 17 at 6:00 p.m.

Held a Public Hearing to review the FY24 Budget

Discussion/Action Items

1. Approved the FY24 Budget as presented.
2. Approved the updated payroll office job descriptions as presented.
3. RCCU1 will move forward to possibly add a second School Resource Officer.
4. Approved Cindy Bailey as the SESE Governing Board Alternate Member.
5. Approved the resolution to sell unneeded fitness equipment.

The Board of Education met in regular session at
6:00 pm at the
Richland County High School

6. Approved to adjust the pay rate for the Unit Office Staff.

Personnel Matters:

Reinstatement of Sick Days – The board approved the reinstatement of 45 sick days to RCES Teacher Megan Tennis and 28 sick days to RCES Teacher Jennifer Fritchley.

Resignation(s) – The board approved the resignations of Jessica Roth as RCMS Food Service Staff Member, Julia Camarillo and Allison Howard as Paraprofessionals, the retirement of Nancy Ginder as RCHS Food Service Manager effective September 29, 2023 and Eric Combs as RCMS Band Director effective December 22, 2023.

Employment – The board approved the employment of Summer Williams and Jessica Cooper as Paraprofessionals effective September 22, 2023 and the transfer of Trinity Milburn from RCMS Food Service Staff Member to RCHS Food Service Manager effective October 2, 2023.

The board approved the extra-curricular assignments and volunteers for the 2023-2024 school year:

RCHS Head Softball - Matt Powell, Assistant Softball - Jessica VanDyke, Head Girls Soccer - Kady Stallard, Assistant Girls Soccer - Jennifer Runyon, Head Boys Tennis - Drew Muston, Head Boys Track - Ryan Denton, Assistant Boys Track - Klay Wheeler, Head Girls Track - Amy Julian, Assistant Girls Track - Chuck Snyder, Bass Fishing - Chad Koester, and RCHS Volunteers; Softball - Elizabeth Sparks and Galen Slover, Girls Track - Bentley Farris and Tyra Cychol, Bass Fishing - Jamie VanDyke,, James Hefferman, Travis Hopson, Tony Holtschlag, Mike Harness, Casey Fulk, Jason Shock, Greg Garner, Ryan Fancher, Chad Hancock, Kyle Shultz, Colby Steber, Jacob Taylor, John Travis, Briar Shock, Girls Soccer - Reyse Klier, Boys Tennis - Kris Muston, Wrestling - Reese Britton, The approval of RCMS Coaches; 6th Grade Boys Basketball - Dawson Brown, 7th Grade Boys Basketball - Terry Puckett, 8th Grade Boys Basketball - Collin Klingler, 7th Grade Girls Basketball - Logan Kauble and RCMS Volunteer Boys Basketball - Jarrett Doll.

The Early Learning Center Open House will be held on Tuesday, September 26 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.