

The Board of Education, Rochelle Elementary District #231, met in regular session on Tuesday, September 15, 2015, in the middle school media center. Prior to the meeting there was a hearing on the FY16 Budget. President Casey called the hearing to order at 6:45 PM with the following members answering roll call: T. Vaughn, J. Zepeda, S. Builta, J. Tess. Also present: T. Prusator, supt. Absent: S. Reif, E. Van Hise. Supt. Prusator went over the proposed budget and answered questions from the Board. S. Reif entered the meeting at 6:52 PM. President Casey asked the audience if they had questions or comments on the FY16 budget, none were voiced. President Casey closed the hearing at 6:59 PM.

President Casey called the regular meeting to order at 7 PM, with the following members answering roll call: T. Vaughn, J. Zepeda, S. Builta, S. Reif, J. Tess. Also present: T. Prusator, supt. Absent: E. Van Hise.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – An addition was added to special reports. J. Tess made and S. Reif seconded a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

Yes: 6; No: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – S. Builta made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2015, meeting as presented. T. Vaughn seconded.

Yes: 6; No: 0

COMMUNICATIONS – 1) Supt. Prusator introduced new faculty that were present to the Board and listed those not in attendance. 2) Supt. Prusator informed the Board that Deb DaCosta, Lincoln School second grade teacher and Lester Davis, Director of Maintenance, have been recognized by the ISBE Those Who Excel. They will be honored at a banquet in October. 3) BPAC officers and members introduced themselves to the Board. 4) District custodians were recognized by the Board for all their dedication and flexibility. 5) Supt. Prusator informed the Board that CHS, ethanol plant, had a golf outing earlier in the day and will be donating all the proceeds to the HUB program. They also made a donation earlier in the year of \$5,000, (\$1,000 per building) for school supplies.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Accepted for study.

ADMINISTRATIVE/TEACHER SALARY AND BENEFIT REPORT – FY16 report was presented to the Board. Said report will be placed on the District web site for display.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION – Supt. Prusator reviewed the Districts current enrollment.

STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE – SOCIETAL RESPONSIBILTIIY – Supt. Prusator reviewed said report with the Board.

FOIA REQUESTS – Supt. Prusator reported that the District had received two requests in the past month. One was regarding purchases/vendors and one regarding non-certified staff.

AYSO USE OF LINCOLN PLAY AREA – Jay Bratko and Geri Hayden, AYSO volunteers, were present to go over a request for the Board to allow the AYSO use of play area at Lincoln School for their fall and spring soccer seasons.

SELF-FUNDING INSURANCE COOPERATIVE – Laurie Miller, Gallagher Benefit Services, reviewed with the Board information regarding an insurance cooperative with area schools. It was the consensus of the

Board that Gallagher could include the Rochelle Elementary District 231 in the study to see if a coop would be feasible. There is a one-time \$1,800 cost to the District.

CONSENT AGENDA – S. Reif made and S. Builta seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented that includes the following:

Personnel (16-09-2059)

Employ

Kelsi Eyster	1 st grade May School effective 8/17/15
Stephen Johnson	Assistant soccer coach
Segeer Larson	Soccer coach
Morgan Sarver	ESL at RMS effective 8/17/15
Jennifer Seebach	RMS student council advisor
Laura Vanous	RMS aide effective 8/19/15
Mary Vanous	RMS aide effective 8/17/15

Leave request

Anna Adolph Family leave mid-October, 2015, thru December 20, 2015

Retirement

Laura Underhile Effective 12/22/15

District Application for Accreditation (16-09-2060) – Annual approval of said applications.

Yes: Reif, Builta, Zepeda, Vaughn, Tess, Casey; No: 0

APPROVAL OF BILLS (16-09-2061) – T. Vaughn made and J. Tess seconded a motion to approve the current bills for payment.

Yes: Vaughn, Tess, Reif, Builta, Zepeda, Casey; No: 0

APPROVAL OF FY16 BUDGET (16-09-2062) – S. Builta made a motion to approve the FY16 budget as presented. J. Zepeda seconded.

Yes: Builta, Zepeda, Vaughn, Tess, Reif, Casey; No: 0

APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH AYSO (16-09-2063) - S. Reif made a motion to approve the said agreement in principle, so that details can be ironed out. T. Vaughn seconded.

Yes: Reif, Vaughn, Zepeda, Builta, Tess, Casey; No: 0

FIRST READING – PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENT EXTRA-CURRICULAR PARTICIPATION – Said policy will be on the October agenda for approval.

TIF – Supt. Prusator discussed the city’s proposed TIF for the downtown area. The District is not opposed to a TIF agreement but is concerned with the size of the TIF.

ADJOURNMENT – J. Tess made and S. Reif seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:57 PM.

Yes: 6; No: 0

_____ President

_____ Secretary

