

The Board of Education, Rochelle Elementary District #231, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 10, 2017, in the middle school media center. Vice President Builta called the meeting to order at 7 PM with the following members answering roll call: T. Vaughn, E. Van Hise, J. Zepdea, S. Reif, J. Tess. Also present: T. Prusator, supt. Absent: D. Casey.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – J. Tess made and E. Van Hise seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Yes: 6; No: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – S. Reif made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 13, 2016, meeting as presented. J. Zepda seconded.

Yes: 6; No: 0

COMMUNICATIONS – 1) Supt. Prusator informed the Board that the HUB program has received a \$100,000 grant award for the 2017-18 school year from the Community Foundation of Northern IL. 2) Shirley Reif acknowledged a thank you from the May School teachers and staff for the lunch provided by the Board.

FINANCIAL REPORTS – Accepted for study.

CENTRAL SCHOOL PRESENTATION – DUAL LANGUAGE – Justin Adolph, Central principal, and Idalia Marin, Bilingual Administrator, gave a presentation on the implementation of the dual language program for the next school year at Central School.

REVIEW ACTION PLANS – SOCIETAL RESPONSIBILITY – Supt. Prusator went over the said plan with the Board.

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

**Personnel (17-01-2171)**

**Employ**

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| Aby Guerrero | ESL Central School effective 1/5/17           |
| John Loggins | PE Central/Lincoln effective FY18 school year |

**Resignations**

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| Margaret McCaslin  | Cafeteria RMS effective 12/21/16                      |
| Ben Sodergren-Baar | 7 <sup>th</sup> grade basketball coach effective FY18 |

**Proposed Budget Calendar for FY18 (17-01-2172)** – Approved said calendar for FY18.

**Approve Board Policy Updates and Changes (17-01-2173)** – Approve the following:

**Policy 2:120**                      **School Board: Board Member Development**

Policy updated in in response to SB100 on suspensions and expulsions. IASB will provide online training courses.

**Policy 2:125**                      **School Board: Board Member Compensation; Expenses**

Policy renamed and rewritten. This policy is in response to the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act. It requires a roll call vote in open session for expense requests by board members. There must also be a resolution adopted by the board to set maximum amounts for reimbursement for board members and staff. Included is a resolution and the maximum amount would be \$945 dollars which is the current amount for district staff given a two day conference with two nights of lodging.

**Policy 2:200**

**School Board: Types of School Board Meetings**

Policy updated in response to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act. This excludes the discussion of an IMRF employee raise that would have a 6% monthly increase if the employee has already indicated and intent to retire or within 12 months and 90 days of the employees intended termination of services.

**Policy 2:220**

**School Board: School Board Meeting Procedures**

Policy updated to allow board members to review closed session minutes that have not been expressly opened to the public.

**Policy 4:60**

**Operational Services: Purchases and Contracts**

Policy updated in response to State legislation. Prohibits any contractor's employees of having direct daily contact with students if the employee has had certain drug offenses within the last seven years.

**Policy 4:110**

**Operational Services: Transportation**

Policy updated in response new obligation towards foster students in the Elementary and Secondary Education ACT.

**Policy 4:175**

**Operational Services: Convicted Child Sex Offender;Notifications**

Policy was renamed and requires fingerprint based criminal history records for student teachers and clinical experiences of college students. (We already do this)

**Policy 5:30**

**General Personnel: Hiring Process and Criteria**

Policy updated in response to School Code which now has the seven year limit on certain drug offenses.

**Policy 5:60**

**General Personnel: Expenses**

Policy rewritten to comply with the previous mentioned Local Government Travel Expense Control Act.

**Policy 5:190**

**General Personnel: Teacher Qualifications**

Policy was changed to align language with the ESSA (Every Student Succeed Act) which replaced NCLB (No Child Left Behind) and mostly replacing the phrase "highly qualified."

**Policy 5:250**

**General Personnel: Leaves of Absence**

Policy was changed in response to the Child Bereavement Act.

**Policy 5:330**

**Educational Support Personnel: Sick Days, Vacation Days, and Leaves**

Policy was changed in response to the Child Bereavement Act.

**Policy 6:15**

**Instruction: School Accountability**

Policy was changed to align language with the ESSA (Every Student Succeed Act) which replaced NCLB (No Child Left Behind).

**Policy 6:145**

**Instruction: Migrant Students**

Policy was changed to align language with the ESSA (Every Student Succeed Act) which replaced NCLB (No Child Left Behind) as well as new Title I requirements

**Policy 6:160**

**Instruction: English Learners**

Policy was changed to align language with the ESSA (Every Student Succeed Act) which replaced NCLB (No Child Left Behind).

**Policy 6:170**

**Instruction: Title I**

Policy was changed to align language with the ESSA (Every Student Succeed Act) which replaced NCLB (No Child Left Behind).

**Policy 6:340**

**Instruction: Student Assessment and Testing Program**

Policy was changed in response to new law requiring assessments reports.

**Policy 7:50**

**Students: School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools**

Policy was updated with new subhead pertaining to foster care students.

**Policy 7:60**

**Students: Residence**

Policy was updated to align with residency challenge procedures effective 1/1/17

**Policy 7:70**                      **Students: Attendance and Truancy**

Policy was updated with some minor changes and added protocol for excusing a student in grades 6-12 for playing Taps at a military honors funeral held in Illinois for a deceased veteran.

**Policy 7:250**                      **Students: Student Support Services**

Policy was updated to include having a liaison for students enrolling under the custody of DCFS.

**Policy 7:260**                      **Students: Exemption from Physical Education**

Policy was renamed and updated with minor language changes.

**Policy 7:310**                      **Students: Restrictions on Publications: Elementary Schools**

Policy was renamed to Speech Rights of Student Journalist Act. They have separated out the policy to address elementary schools and high schools with separate policies.

**Policy 8:70**                      **Students: Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities**

Policy was updated to address an outdated responsibility of the Title II coordinator.

Yes: Reif, Vaughn, Van Hise, Zepeda, Tess, Builta; No: 0

PAYMENT OF BILLS (17-01-2174) - J. Tess made a motion to approve the current bills for payment. J. Zepeda seconded.

Yes: Tess, Zepeda, Van Hise, Vaughn, Reif, Builta; No: 0

SIX MONTH REVIEW OF CLOSED SESSION MINUES (17-01-2175) – S. Builta made and S. Reif seconded a motion to accept the recommendation of the ad hoc committee that the minutes remain closed.

Yes: Builta, Reif, Tess, Vaughn, Van Hise, Zepeda; No: 0

DISCUSSION/BUS PURCAHSE – The District has one bus that will be fully depreciated at the end of the school term. The bus has over 72,000 miles and is to be replaced. The superintendent will put out bid specifications for a new bus and trade in of the current bus that will be fully depreciated.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION – S. Reif made a motion at 7:35 PM, that was seconded by T. Vaughn, to adjourn to closed session to consider and discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

Yes: Reif, Vaughn, Tess, Van Hise, Zepeda, Builta; No: 0

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION – At 7:50 PM, J. Tess made and T. Vaughn seconded a motion to reconvene in open session.

Yes: Tess, Vaughn, Van Hise, Zepeda, Reif, Builta; No: 0

ADJOURNMENT – T. Vaughn made and J. Tess seconded a motion at 7:51 PM to adjourn.

Yes: 6; No: 0

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