

**Rochelle Community Consolidated School District 231  
August 11, 2020 Board of Education Meeting Minutes**

The Board of Education of Rochelle Community Consolidated School District #231 in Ogle and Lee Counties, Illinois met for the regular session in the Lincoln Elementary School Cafeteria on August 11, 2020 at 7:03 P.M. Upon roll call: Mrs. Reif - present; Mr. Zepeda - absent; Mr. VanHise - absent; Mrs. Tess - present; Mrs. Vaughn - present; Mr. Builta - present; Mr. Casey - present. Present - 5; Absent - 2.

Superintendent Harper, Assistant Superintendent Doyle, Business Manager Dale, Principal Adolph, Principal Canfield, Principal Cox, Principal Derricks, Principal Young, Assistant Principal Dornink, and Hub Program Director Hayden were also present.

It was motioned by Mrs. Vaughn and seconded by Mr. Builta to approve the proposed agenda. Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried. (Ex. "A")

It was motioned by Mr. Builta and seconded by Mrs. Tess to approve the July 14, 2020 Board of Education Monthly Meeting minutes and Executive Session Meeting minutes. Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried. (Ex. "B")

**Audience Comments:** No comments were presented from the audience.

**Communications:** The Triple I Conference has been cancelled for this year.

**Special Reports/Updates:**

Andrew Kim from PMA, provided a presentation regarding refinancing information. (Ex. "C")

**Consent Agenda:** It was motioned by Mrs. Tess and seconded by Mrs. Vaughn to approve the following Consent Agenda items 1-5 as presented and agree to Superintendent Harper's request to remove item 6 due to the fact we did not have the e-Learning Plan Hearing:

1. It was approved to pay the bills as presented by Superintendent Harper. (Ex. "D")
2. It was approved to accept this month's financial reports as presented by Superintendent Harper. (Ex. "E")
3. The below Personnel Report was approved as recommended by Superintendent Harper:

**I. CERTIFICATED**

**Resignation**

Amanda Poliska	3rd Grade Teacher at May	(Ex. "F")
Taylor Aasen	5th Grade Teacher at Lincoln	(Ex. "G")

## **II. SUPPORT STAFF**

### **Resignation**

Julia Tooley Paraprofessional at Tilton (Ex. "H")

Susan King Paraprofessional at Stepping Stones (Ex. "I")

Gabriela Espinoza Bilingual Paraprofessional at Tilton (Ex. "J")

### **Employment**

Ashley Hoffmann Math Interventionist at Tilton

Skylar Hall Cafeteria Worker at RMS

Brittany Ludwig Paraprofessional at Tilton

4. Student handbooks for the upcoming year for each building were approved as presented. (Ex. "K")
5. Approve the Statement of Compliance for Temporary Housing at May School which certifies that the building plans and the temporary housing complies with the recommendations of 23 IL Administrative Code Part 180, with minimum deviations. (Ex. "L")
6. E-Learning Plan was removed since we did not hold the e-Learning Plan Hearing prior to this meeting.

Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried.

### **Action Items:**

1. Superintendent Harper presented the first reading of the Board Policy Manual updates, Press Plus Issues 104 and 105 edits. These changes are the result of the School Code Statutory or Legislative changes. No action was taken as these edits must lay on the Board table for the required one month and be placed on the September agenda for adoption. (Ex. "M")
2. It was motioned by Mrs. Reif and seconded by Mrs. Vaughn to accept the District Technology Acceptable Use Policy as presented by Superintendent Harper. Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried. (Ex. "N")
3. It was motioned by Mrs. Vaughn and seconded by Mr. Builta to accept the District 1:1 Device Handbook as presented by Superintendent Harper. Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried. (Ex. "O")

4. It was motioned by Mrs. Tess and seconded by Mrs. Reif to approve the corrected 2020-2021 district calendar as presented by Superintendent Harper. Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried. (Ex. "P")
  
5. Superintendent Harper provided an update on the district's reopening plan for August, 2020.
  - We are going with student attendance 5 days a week, with the normal start time. The elementary schools will dismiss at 12:30 and RMS will dismiss at 12:43.
  - We have just under 69% of our K-5 students attending in person, with 31% opting out with remote learning.
    - Approximately 11-13 students per classroom
    - Central School is higher at 18, because they have the most students and many of these students are attending for the dual language program.
      - We are bringing over some bilingual staff to help bring down the numbers.
      - Central school also has the most open space to help spread out students.
  - RMS has 75% of the students attending in person
    - 4.5% of the students are still unknown as to their preference.
    - Approximately 16 students in a classroom
    - Teachers rotate and students stay in place

Thank you to the principals, secretaries, and health office. They have given up alot of their time and are very appreciative of everything they have done. Thank you to the teachers for all their work.

**Discussion Items:** No discussion items were presented.

**Executive Session:** No Executive Session was held.

**Action Resulting From Executive Session:** No action was taken due to no executive session being held.

There being no further business, Mrs. Vaughn moved adjournment and it was seconded by Mr. Builta. Upon roll call all members voted as follows: Mrs. Reif - aye; Mrs. Tess - aye; Mrs. Vaughn - aye; Mr. Builta - aye; Mr. Casey - aye. Aye-5; Nay-0. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

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David Casey, Board President

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Trisha Vaughn, Board Secretary