



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting

October 13, 2025

Date & time Monday, October 13, 2025 | 5:30 p.m.

Location Administration Boardroom

Meeting called to order with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance by President Folsom

In Attendance

Board of Education: Jarrod Folsom, Tricia Anderson, Barbara Helms, Jake Himmelspace, Kelley Freridge, Andrea Jacobson, Christie Ramsey

Administration: Dr. Steve Matthews, Allison Clements, Mike Ramm, Dr. Korie Wilson-Crawford, Jodi Nester.

Adoption of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Christie Ramsey with support from Kelley Freridge. Motion passed unanimously.

Recognition

The Middle School students of the month were announced by President Folsom.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve by Jake Himmelspace with support from Andrea Jacobson. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Presentation of bills in the amount of \$14,426,191.95
2. Approval of Minutes from September 8, 2025
3. Bank Signatures
4. Fall 2025 Extra Duty
5. Middle School Winter Coaches

New Business

1. REA Tentative Agreement Approval - Dr. Korie Wilson-Crawford presented a tentative agreement between the REA and Rockford Public Schools to the Board of Education. Motion to approve by Kelley Freridge with support from Tricia Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.
2. RESPA Tentative Agreement - Dr. Korie Wilson-Crawford presented a tentative agreement between the RESPA and Rockford Public Schools to the Board of Education. Motion to approve by Kelley Freridge with support from Christie Ramsey. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Fall Policy Update - Dr. Korie Wilson-Crawford presented a policy update to the Board of Education. This is a first reading, and no action was taken. This will be on the agenda in November for approval.

4. RHS Turntable Equipment – Assistant Superintendent of Business and Operations, Allison Clements presented a proposal to the Board of Education to purchase equipment for the turntable for the performing arts stage. Motion to approve by Jake Himmelspach with support from Kelley Freridge. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Edgerton Trails Furniture Purchase – Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Mike Ramm presented a quote for approval to purchase some furniture for Edgerton Trails Elementary. Motion to approve by Christie Ramsey with support from Andrea Jacobson. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

1. Bond Update – Dr. Matthews gave a presentation on the upcoming Bond proposal and Kent ISD Enhancement Millage. Both items are on the November 4, 2025, ballot. Dr. Matthews encouraged everyone to vote. There was much discussion surrounding the details of Bond projects and School Finance.

Reports

1. Student Representative Report – Student Representative to the Board, Leah Rapp gave an update on the many activities taking place at Rockford High School including Homecoming, Flex Time and other activities.
2. Committee Reports – There were several committee meetings in September/October including HR, Instruction, Policy, Building and Site and Finance. Board members gave updates from each of these meetings.
3. Student Achievement Report – Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Mike Ramm, gave an update on Student Achievement.
4. Collaborative Team Reports
 - Edgerton Trails Principal, Shannon Ouellette, gave an update on things happening at the Elementary level.
 - Rockford Freshman Center Principal, Kelly Amshey gave an update on things happening at the Secondary level.

Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of People Present – Public Comment

Audience Participation. No action taken.

Superintendent Remarks

Dr. Matthews talked about districts within the Kent ISD and many offer public comment at different times in their agenda. No confirmation is necessary when you sign up for public comment. He discussed the bond and that it is a renewal and not an increase. There is a lot of bond information on our website at www.rockfordschools.org.

Adjournment

President Folsom adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Recording Secretary

Secretary, Board of Education