

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting #21

Date | time Monday – June 14, 2021 | 6:30 p.m.

Location Administration Boardroom

Per MDHHS Emergency Order under MCL 333.2253 dated March 19, 2021, public meetings under the Open Meetings Act are no longer subject to the general gathering limits in Sections 2(a) and 2(b) of the order. The amending order states that more than 25 people may gather together in an indoor venue for a board meeting as long as the meeting is designed to encourage and maintain six feet of social distancing between groups and face coverings are required. Members of the public may both attend meetings and participate in public comment in person to the extent permitted under the Open Meetings Act and in compliance with the amending order.

Overall attendance at any public meeting must not exceed 50% of the total occupancy limits established by the fire marshal. The fire marshal has established that the total occupancy limit of the RPS Boardroom is 113. Based on the total occupancy limit and factoring in the layout of the room to accommodate social distancing, no more than 25 people will be permitted in the meeting room. Attendees should avoid intermingling with people outside of their group and each group must remain six feet apart. All applicable masking and distancing requirements must be followed by everyone at all times. Anyone wishing to attend the meeting in person should notify the Superintendent's Office by 3:30PM the day of the meeting to ensure capacity will allow for admission.

The Rockford Public Schools Board of Education also provides remote access options as outlined below to observe and/or participate in public comment in compliance with Public Act 254 of 2020 and Rockford Public Schools Board of Education Bylaw 0167.3.

TO OBSERVE THE MEETING VIA LIVESTREAM:

Go to https://www.youtube.com/user/beyondtherock/live

TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION (two-way communication):

No later than 3:30 the day of the meeting, please contact the Superintendent's Executive Assistant at mclark@rockfordschools.org to either ensure capacity will allow for physical admission or to request remote access to address the Board of Education.

TO CONTACT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING:

http://www.rockfordschools.org/email-the-board-of-education/

ACCESSIBILITY:

Upon request to the Superintendent, the district shall make reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities to be able to participate in this meeting. Please call 616.863.6557 or email mclark@rockfordschools.org.

Agenda

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. MOMENT OF SILENCE
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- D. RECOGNITION
 - 1. Administrators' Choice Art Award

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Korie Wilson-Crawford will introduce RHS art instructor Barb Kent, who will present to the Board of Education RHS student Jack Vaughn, whose artwork "Difficulties. Please Stand By." was selected to be placed in the Administration Building for the 2021-22 school year. Board President Postema will present a certificate of recognition to Jack.

2. State Championship Boys' Track Team 🧁

Director of Athletics Cole Andrews will introduce to the Board of Education members of the State Championship Boys' Track Team. Board President Postema will present certificates of recognition to the following:

Student-Athletes
Carter Bissell
Jacob Bissell
Braden Crosby
Daniel Leja
Gage Martin, Captain
Jude Parks, Captain
Jacob Peck, Captain
Shawn Sims
Brody Thompson

Coaches
Andrew Martin
Brent Cummings
Josh Miller
Kevin Patterson
Scott Thompson

E. ACTION ITEMS - CONSENT AGENDA

To save time during the meeting, we are using a consent agenda. Items on the consent agenda include those that are routine in nature or have been previously discussed by the Board of Education. Board trustees may request to have any item removed for a separate discussion and vote.

- 1. Approval of Minutes. May 24, 2021 closed and study sessions; Regular Meeting #20.
- 2. Presentation of Bills. Following is a summary of bills for this meeting. As always, board trustees are welcome to contact the Assistant Superintendent of Finance with any questions or concerns, or to request additional information.

Payroll	\$1,853,829.55
Insurance & Retirement	1,517,860.72
Utilities	66,783.24
Kent ISD - Itinerants	227,371.72
Kent ISD – Miscellaneous	167,586.31
Balance Total General Fund	236,311.61
2016 Bond ACH Checks	195,210.81
2019 Bond Reg Checks	52,970.76
2019 Bond ACH Checks	748,535.28
2019 Bond Credit Card	50,700.51
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$5,117,160.51

3. Certified Staff Tenure Recommendation.

Completion of two-year probationary period: Donita Coughlin, Taylor Funk, Lucas Galganski, Travis Harrall, Christopher Schoder.

Recommended for tenure as of end of 2020-21 school year: Katrina Burger, Stephanie Campbell, Mackenzie Clements, Kyle Clough, Kara Dixon, Amy Gardner, Lauren Gleghorn, Allison Holden, Allison Kolean, Thomas Kowalski, Jennifer Lutz, Bethany McClure, Emily Napieralski, Sarah Powell, Kelly Rusnell, Danielle Swider, Jonathan Taylor, Jane Van Niekerk, Emily Weinmann, Melissa Young.

4. Certified Staff Resignations (effective end of 2020-21 school year). Kristopher Forward, Kyle Short.

F. REPORTS

1. 2021-22 Rockford Virtual School Program

Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Mike Ramm and Rockford Virtual Principal Dr. Kelly Amshey will report to the Board of Education plans to continue the Rockford Virtual School for the 2021-22 school year.

G. OLD BUSINESS

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Bid Recommendations (2019 Bond Issue)

Assistant Superintendent of Finance Mike Cuneo will present to the Board of Education bids received for the following three projects to be paid through the 2019 bond issue. The projects were reviewed with the Board of Education in concept at their May 24 study session. Dr. Shibler will recommend the Board award each bid separately as presented.

a. Developmental Kindergarten 1:1 iPad Devices

Dr. Shibler will recommend the Board of Education approve the bid from Apple and Jamf in the total amount of \$88,425, as presented.

b. Middle and High School Graphics Labs Devices

Dr. Shibler will recommend the Board of Education approve the bid from Apple, Sehi and CDWG in the total amount of \$68,051.82, as presented.

c. Middle School Technology Lab Devices

Dr. Shibler will recommend the Board of Education approve the bid from Presidio through the REMC SAVE Program in the total amount of \$33,960, as presented.

2. Collective Bargaining Agreements

- a. REA. Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Korie Wilson-Crawford will summarize the negotiated agreement between the REA and the Board of Education. Dr. Shibler will recommend the contract agreement be approved as presented.
- b. RESPA. Korie Wilson-Crawford will summarize the negotiated agreement between the RESPA and the Board of Education. Dr. Shibler will recommend the contract agreement be approved as presented.

3. Certified Staff Recommendation

Dr. Shibler will recommend the Board of Education employ the following certified staff for the 2021-22 school year:

Paul CaseyMathRockford Freshman CenterEmma HughesCounselorEast Rockford Middle SchoolJeffery SchramWorld TechnologyRockford High SchoolKipp TremlinSocial StudiesRockford High School

4. Rockford Freshman Center Principal Recommendation

As a result of RHS Principal Dan Zang's upcoming retirement, the Board of Education recently appointed RFC Principal Tom Hosford as the new RHS Principal, creating a need to hire a new Principal for the Rockford Freshman Center. Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Korie Wilson-Crawford will summarize for the Board of Education the interview process, followed by Dr. Shibler's recommendation that the Board of Education appoint Dr. Kelly Amshey as the RFC Principal effective July 1, 2021.

I. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND HEARING OF PEOPLE PRESENT

This is a meeting of the Board of Education held in public. Comments are welcome from the audience during "Recognition of Visitors and Hearing of People Present," however, they are comments only and speakers are limited to three minutes. The audience is asked to refrain from making comments or asking questions at any other time during the meeting unless otherwise noted on the agenda. If you have a specific concern, please feel free to speak with a Board trustee or call the Superintendent's Office at 616.863.6557.

A separate opportunity for public comment regarding the district's Extended Learning Plan will be provided at such time when a reconfirmation recommendation appears on the agenda.

J. ADJOURNMENT