

**Randolph Eastern School Corporation  
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes**

**August 18, 2016**

The Randolph Eastern School Corporation Board of Trustees met on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. for their regularly scheduled meeting.

Superintendent Lisa Smith and all Board members were in attendance with the exception of Jamie Kerns. Guests in attendance were Debbie Glunt, Brad Hoggatt, Cindy Mote, Becky Kuehl, Scott Reagan, Aaron Black, Mark Winkle, Neal Adams, Mary Armantrout, Tara Phillips, Laura Elliott and Michael Buckmaster, reporter.

President Selina Miller presided over the meeting. Mrs. Miller opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Based on a recommendation from Superintendent Smith, Greg Whitesel moved to add IV (iii) (7); and Item IV (9) to the agenda, and also to delete the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball recommendation from the agenda. Wendy Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

After discussion, Wendy Smith moved to amend the previous motion of agenda changes to include removing the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Assistant from the list of Winter Sports rehires. Greg Whitesel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Based on a recommendation from Superintendent Smith, Greg Whitesel moved to approve the following items; minutes of the July 21, 2016 meeting, accept the \$8500.00 donation from Jan Passmore for the Student Center at the high school, the purchase of equipment for the Student Center, resignations from Jennifer Geesy and Krista Spence, approve the employment of Brittani Dickmann as North Side Library Assistant, Samantha Bentz as North Side Instructional Aide, Sarah Davison as Junior High/High School Instructional Assistant, Cindy Mote as Junior High/High School FACS Instructor, Jason Loomis as Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Winter Coach rehires as corrected, and Bethany Noggle as Instructional Assistant. Wendy Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. Kim Davison abstained from voting on the hiring of her daughter, Sarah Davison.

Superintendent Smith reported on the 2016-2017 tentative enrollment numbers. At the present time, enrollment is down 28 students at North Side and up 26 students at the Junior/Senior High School with a current K-12 enrollment of 851 students. The official count day is September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Smith presented the 2015 Annual Financial Report which has been published in the newspaper and will be sent to the Department of Education.

Superintendent Smith also provided updates on the Budget Target for July 2016, Athletic Ledger, North Side ECA Account and Junior/Senior High ECA Account.

Assistant Principal and School Safety Director Patrick Neils has requested approval to set up a GoFundMe account to raise funds for school safety purchases. After discussion, the Board asked the Superintendent to get additional information on the fundraiser and bring it back to them.

Junior/Senior High Principal Aaron Black and Elementary Principal Mark Winkle presented School Improvement Plans for their respective buildings. Following the presentations, Wendy Smith moved to approve the proposed plans. Kim Davison seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Board heard the first reading of the updated Support Personnel Handbook.

Superintendent Smith presented the 2017 Budget. Mrs. Smith reviewed the General Fund, Debt Service Fund, Transportation Fund and Bus Replacement Form. Following the presentation, Greg Whitesel moved to give the Superintendent permission to advertise the 2017 Budget. Wendy Smith seconded the motion. Motion was carried.

The 2016-2017 Conflict of Interest Forms were presented for Board members and other employees to sign.

Superintendent Smith reported on the Staff Performance Evaluations. During the 2015-2016 school year, Randolph Eastern had 21 ½ Highly Effective teachers, 74 effective teachers, 3 teachers that need improvement and 1 ½ ineffective teachers.

The Superintendent also reported on the Staff Performance Evaluation Plan for all certificated employees. Mrs. Smith discussed the plan with RECTA on August 3, 2016.

Superintendent Smith shared the Support for Small and Rural Schools Resolution and asked the Board to adopt the Resolution. The Board gave Mrs. Smith full support for this Resolution with Wendy Smith making a motion to approve and Greg Whitesel seconding the motion. Motion was unanimously approved. The Resolution's purpose is to bring attention to the impact legislative decisions have on rural and small schools. Greg Whitesel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Greg Whitesel moved to approve payment of regular claims #1883-1966 and 91363 through 91373, and payroll claims #16 and #17. Wendy Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday September 15, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. This will also be the Budget Hearing.

Being no further business, President Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

