



Date | time February 14, 2022 | 5:30 p.m.

Location Administration Boardroom

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

In Attendance

Board of Education: Bobbi Jo Blanton, Kelley Freridge, Jake Himmelspach, Andrea Jacobson, Nick Reichenbach, Jarrod Folsom

Regrets: Timothy Lewis

Student representative: Isabella MacKenzie

Administration: Korie Wilson-Crawford, Mike Ramm, Mike Cuneo, Lisa Jacobs, Mindy Duba, Jodi Nester

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Andrea Jacobson, supported by Jake Himmelspach, approving the agenda as presented.

Approval of Officers

A motion was made by Kelley Freridge, supported by Bobbi Jo Blanton, nominating Nick Reichenbach for the office of President of the Board of Education.

A motion was made by Jake Himmelspach, supported by Kelley Freridge, nominating Bobbi Jo Blanton for the office of Vice President of the Board of Education.

There were no further nominations. Motions carried unanimously.

Recognition

President Reichenbach administered the ceremonial Oath of Office to Jarrod W. Folsom.

The Board of Education viewed a video produced by Beyond the Rock in recognition of middle school outstanding students of the month for January 2022.

East RMS

Addison Wypych and Sam Schlachter (6th), - Ellory Bonner and Benjamin Sluiter (7th Aujaleah Fehrlen and Brodie Chase (8th)

North RMS

Emma Peck and Colin Bradley (6th), Raina Glanzman and Ben Buzzell (7th), Rian Hazelwood and John Bole (8th)

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East RMS

Jasmine Langford and Donovan Mays (6th), Jenna Schilling and Eli Krach (7th), Sydney Dekuiper and Logan Dusendang (8th)

North RMS

Sofia Fenikova and Louis VanderWerff (6th), Netra Arora and Rylan Kirn (7th), Ella Hodgkinson and Alex Stewart (8th)

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Jake Himmelspach, supported by Bobbi Jo Blanton, approving the following consent agenda items. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Approval of Minutes.** Minutes of January 10, 2022; Regular Meeting #8 and Tuesday, February 1, 2022, Special Meeting.
- **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	\$5,162,943.64
Insurance & Retirement	2,876,470.14
Utilities	164,241.78
Kent ISD Itinerants	366,896.60
Kent ISD Transportation	80,711.34
Balance of Total General Fund	372,279.97
2019 Bond Reg Cks	289,839.08
2019 Bond ACH Cks	86,865.87
2019 Bond Credit Card	0.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$9,400,248.42

- **Certified Staff Resignations.** Catie Carlson (effective December 31, 2021), Kelly Rusnell (effective January 3, 2022), Kelly Delacher (retirement effective February 1, 2022).
- **Administrator Resignation.** Vic Villareal (effective June 30, 2022).
- **Interim Superintendent's Supplemental Contract.**
- **Certified Staff Leave of Absence.** Erica Loper (.5 FTE Teacher requesting leave for the 2022-2023 school year).
- **2022-2023 Draft Calendar**

Reports

Student Representative

RHS student representative Bella MacKenzie reported to the Board of Education things happening at RHS. She talked about the Art Outreach project, events happening for Valentine's day, and the winter swirl which is March 5, 2022, at the Rockford Freshman Center and Rockford High School. She gave an update on the winter wish program. The students were able to grant all wishes. They will be working on a fundraiser for band shoes. Students have created a peer listing compliment board and are encouraging all students to participate.

Superintendent Search Update

Bobbi Jo Blanton and Pete Haines gave an update on the Superintendent Search. There will be a Special Board Meeting on March 5, 2022, at 8 a.m. to begin the process of hiring a new Superintendent.

Esser Report

Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Mike Cuneo and Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Mike Ramm gave an update on Esser Funds.

Educational Goals Reporting

Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Mike Ramm gave an update on Educational Reporting.

Collaborative Team Reports

The Board of Education received information about events occurring in our schools in the form of monthly collaborative team reports.

Elementary: Belmont Elementary Principal, Shannon Oulette, talked about how much fun the students had celebrating Valentine's day. Students are taking place in a program called zoo school through the John Ball Park Zoo. The program has been very successful. Valley View Elementary was the winner of the recent Battle of the Books competition. She thanks Board of Education Trustee, Jake Himmelspach for delivering colors of the world crayons for our Elementary students.

Secondary: Rockford High School Principal, Tom Hosford discussed things happening at the secondary level. At the Middle School level, they just had a collaborative 6-12 concert. NWEA winter testing is finished. The turnout for Parent-Teacher Conferences was great. The East Rockford Middle School Drama club is working on a spring play "The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood". Many after-school clubs are underway for students. The Rockford Freshman Center counselors visited the middle schools to begin the process of registration for the class of 2026. At Rockford High School, Math and English Tutoring opportunities are being scheduled with RHS teachers 1-2 days per week. The Women's Empowerment Club is

leading an initiative called MI Vote Matters HS Voter Registration throughout the remaining time this school year.

Old Business

None

New Business

Schools of Choice Resolutions

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Jodi Nester, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Schools of Choice Coordinator, summarized for the Board of Education three Schools of Choice resolutions for the 2022-23 school year. Korie Wilson-Crawford recommended that the Board of Education adopt each resolution separately as presented by roll call vote.

- a. Opt-out of Section 105 – State program for residents within ISD boundaries.
- b. Opt into KISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Program – KISD program for residents within KISD boundaries.
- c. Opt into Section 105C – State program with contiguous intermediate school districts (accept siblings of current 105C students).

All resolutions were adopted by the Board of Education.

Certified Staff Recommendation

There was a motion by Kelley Freridge with support from Bobbi Jo Blanton to employ the following certified staff members for the 2022-2023 school year.

Jennifer Collins	Health Resource Nurse	Rockford Public Schools
Mary Cummings	Science Teacher	East Rockford Middle School
Jane Ragains	Physical Education	Cannonsburg Elementary
Taylor Villareal	Speech & Language Pathologist	Rockford Special Services

Purchase of New Maintenance Truck

A motion was made by Jarrod Folsom with support from Kelley Freridge to purchase a new Maintenance Truck.

Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of People Present

9 visitors addressed the board:

Michele Lussky	Tammy Gombar	Diane Patterson
Mary Fountain	Brenda Wodarski	Steve Pamlreuter
Sean Cordier	Stephanie Buikema	Duane Gritter

Adjournment

President Reichenbach adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Recording Secretary

Secretary, Board of Education

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