



*Date | time* June 13, 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

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### In Attendance

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

Regrets: Jake Himmelspach

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

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### Adoption of Agenda

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A motion was made by Tim Lewis, supported by Kelley Freridge, approving the agenda as presented.

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### Recognition

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#### 1. Administrators' Choice/Congressional Art Competition Art Awards

Interim Superintendent Korie Wilson-Crawford talked about the Administrators Choice art piece by Hailey Nye and how it spoke to her this year going forward from what we have been through. This piece will be displayed at the Administration Building for the 2022-2023 school year. Board President Reichenbach presented a certificate of recognition to Hailey. President Reichenbach also presented a certificate to Isabelle Cramer who received an art award from the Kent ISD during the Congressional Art Competition.

#### 2. Examples in Excellence

Lisa Jacobs, Executive Director of Community Services presented the "Examples in Excellence" recipients for the 2021-2022 school year. Beyond the Rock created a video with each building administrator talking about why the recipient was chosen. President Reichenbach presented each of them with a certificate of recognition.

##### Elementary School Recipients

Belmont Elementary – Jace Opoku-Agyeman  
Cannonsburg Elementary – Crosby Chase  
Crestwood Elementary – Oliver McInerney  
Lakes Elementary – Sienna Van Stensel

Meadow Ridge Elementary – Lilly Rypma  
Parkside Elementary – Kasin Gordon  
Roguewood Elementary – Jayla Bozek  
Valley View Elementary – Mia Vella

##### Secondary School Recipients

Special Services – Ella Hodgkinson  
East Rockford Middle School – Lily Cutler  
North Rockford Middle School – Gabe Gauss  
Rockford Freshman Center – Olivia Cook

Rockford High School – Samuel Danner  
Rockford High School – Bell J MacKenzie  
River Valley Academy – Bradley Reynolds  
Rockford Virtual HS – Grace Moseley

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## Consent Agenda

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

- Approval of Minutes. Minutes of May 9, 2022; Special Meeting (Closed Session) and Regular meeting #12.
- Certified Staff Resignations.
- Certified Staff Leave of Absence
- Presentation of Bills in the amount of \$8,906,858.10

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## Reports

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### Goals and Benchmark Testing Progress Report

Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Mike Ramm gave a progress report on Goals and Benchmark testing. Mr. Ramm covered the types of testing we use and presented the data.

### Collaborative Team Reports

Representing

Principal

Elementary.....	Mindy McGinn (Lakes Elementary)
Secondary .....	Tom Hosford (RHS)
Virtual .....	Dr. Kelley Amshey (Virtual)

Elementary - Mindy McGinn talked about reinventing 5th-grade celebrations. They took many different forms. Students performed in a talent show. Rougewood was involved with wax museums. Meadow Ridge has a new Counseling dog named Hopper.

Secondary - Tom Hosford talked about how it was a breath of fresh air to be in person and a fun way to end the year. Math and ELA have done a lot of work at the 6-12 level to better vertically align. This was the last year we will be able to have graduation at the Delta Plex. Cole Andrews, Athletic Director, was recognized for hosting two state events.

Virtual – Dr. Kelly Amshey reported on Rockford Virtual. The Elementary program had an opportunity to meet face to face with the teachers which was a great thing to see. Secondary programming continues to service a large number of students. At the end of the year, they are celebrating credit attainment. The program can help students get on track. Teachers continue to see growth opportunities.

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## Old Business

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## New Business

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### 1. **Certified Staff Recommendations**

Korie Wilson-Crawford, Interim Superintendent, presented 40 new staff recommendations. We received over 1,200 applicants and have reviewed all submitted resumes. We hire staff using a committee process. We still need to fill 8 – 12 positions. Korie Wilson-Crawford recommended that the Board of Education approve the list of new staff as presented. Motion by Jarrod Folsom to approve with Support by Kelley Freridge. Motion carried unanimously.

### 2. **Dean of Spanish Immersion**

Korie Wilson-Crawford presented a recommendation for a new administrator (Dean of Spanish Immersion) candidate. Amie Santillan was present and is very excited to join the RPS team. Motion to approve by Jarrod Folsom with support by Bobbi Jo Blanton. Motion carried unanimously.

### 3. **Tentative Agreements**

Interim Superintendent Korie Wilson-Crawford presented tentative letters of agreement for REA and RESPA. They represent collaborative work done at the bargaining table. Motion to approve by Kelley Freridge. Support by Andrea Jacobsen. Tim Lewis asked some questions regarding longevity language. Korie clarified. Motion passed unanimously.

### 4. **Decline to Sign Resolution**

Nick Reichenbach talked about the Decline to sign Resolution. Korie Wilson-Crawford explained that the MASB sent this out to school boards for consideration jointly with MASA. Motion by Andrea Jacobsen with support by Jarrod Folsom. Motion passed unanimously by Roll Call vote.

### 5. **2022 Spring Policy Update, Second Reading**

Interim Superintendent Korie Wilson-Crawford presented the 2022 Spring Policy Updates for a second reading. Motion to approve by Andrea Jacobsen with support by Kelley Freridge. Motion passed unanimously.

### 6. **Brewer Ave Parking Lot Bid Review**

Assistant Superintendent of Finance Mike Cuneo presented a bid review on the Brewer Ave Parking Lot construction. We will be having parent meetings to present what is happening. Motion to approve by Kelley Freridge with support by Tim Lewis. Motion passed unanimously.

### 7. **Director of Finance**

Assistant Superintendent of Finance Mike Cuneo introduced Allison Clements. Allison has been promoted to the position of Director of Finance. This change will take place on July 1, 2022. Motion by Kelley Freridge with Support by Bobbi Jo Blanton. Motion passed unanimously.

**8. Bond Refinance**

Allison Clements and Assistant Superintendent of Finance Mike Cuneo talked about Bond Refinancing. Allison explained the bond re-pricing and what the savings would be to the district. Market conditions have changed but we were able to save almost 1 million dollars. Motion by Tim Lewis with support by Andrea Jacobsen. Motion passed unanimously by Roll Call vote.

**9. MHSAA Resolution**

Athletic Director Cole Andrews presented the MHSAA Resolution. This resolution is a commitment to continue being a part of the MHSAA. Motion for approval by Bobbi Jo Blanton with support by Jarrod Folsom. Motion passed unanimously.

**10. Organizational Meeting Date**

President Nick Reichenbach presented Tuesday, July 12, 2022, as the date for the Board of Education reorganization meeting. Motion to approve by Kelley Freridge with support by Jarrod Folsom. Motion passed unanimously.

**11. Presentation of Gavel**

Interim Superintendent Korie Wilson-Crawford presented Board President Nick Reichenbach with a gavel and thanked him for his work as Board President during this difficult year. Nick accepted the gavel. Kelley Freridge thank Nick for his work as the President of the Board of Education.

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Recognition of Visitors & Hearing of People Present

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3 visitors addressed the board:

Carol VanKoevering

Sarah Hudson

Mary Fountain

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Adjournment

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President Reichenbach adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

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Recording Secretary

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Secretary, Board of Education