

Unapproved
Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 22, 2018, 7:00 PM
Room 214 - Board Room

The Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education held its regular meeting with the following in attendance; Tracy Enderson, Stephanie Fay, Darin Malm, Heather Ruehle, Susan Sikora, Jon Josephson and Andrew Woiwood. Absent: Larry Conlon and Kelli Harmon. AEA Skyped in: Josh Bader. All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

- I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance** - President Sikora at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Review of District Mission Statement** - Enderson
- III. Approve Agenda** - Motion by Enderson to approve the Agenda; second Fay. Motion carried.
- IV. Welcome Visitors and Guests** - President Sikora
- V. Board Learning** - Woiwood and Mr. Benedict gave the Board information about the Iowa BIG school concept.
- VI. Communications**
 - 1. Citizens or organizations in attendance**
 - 2. Received through the mail** - Sikora shared the advertisement for Ruthven-Ayrshire School published in the Emmetsburg paper this week.
 - 3. Through Board Members** - Discussed request for Bakken family.
- VII. Business & Action Items** -
 - 1. Consent Items** - Motion made by Fay to approve the consent items. Second by Long. Motion carried.
 - a. Minutes** - January 10, 2018 Board Minutes were approved as is.
 - b. Approval of Bills/Claims**
 - c. Financial Reports** - Presented by Josh Bader of AEA. The CD Renewal - Renew 12 month CD at 1.15%.
 - d. Activity Calendar for March** - The regular School Board Meeting will be held Monday, March 12 at 6:00 p.m.
 - e. Field Trip** -
 1. FFA District Convention will be on March 3rd at East Sac.
 2. Senior Government Trip to Des Moines on March 12th.
 3. Estherville ILCC Campus College Fair and Tour on March 8th.
 4. Emmetsburg ILCC Campus Career Fair and Lunch on April 10th.
 - 2. Personnel** - Motion by Long to approve the hiring of Michael Nichols for Assistant Track Coach. Second by Fay. Motion carried.
 - 3. Early Retirement - Policy 407.4 - R-A Early Retirement 17-18** - Board discussed early retirement proposals and options. Motion by Ruehle to table the Early Retirement proposals.
Second by Fay. Motion carried.

4. **Cooperative Sponsorship of Activity** - Motion by Enderson to include approval of Cooperative Sharing as part of the Activities Sharing Agreement. Second by Fay. Motion carried.
5. **Master Calendar - 2018 -2019 - Public Hearing** - Motion by Malm to approve the first draft of the 2018-19 Master Calendar. Second by Long. Motion carried.
6. **Budget Guarantee Resolution** - Motion by Enderson to approve the Budget Guarantee Resolution. Second by Malm. Motion carried.
7. **Open Enrollment** - Motion by Malm to approve the Open Enrollments for CG to Emmetsburg, ND to Graettinger, KS to Emmetsburg, AH in to Ruthven-Ayrshire, HT to Emmetsburg. Second by Ruehle. Motion carried.
8. **Joint Board Meeting** - Board reviewed the items on the agenda for the Joint Board Meeting on February 28th.

VIII. Recognition of Staff and Students

A. "Good News Sharing" - in the Principal/Superintendent Reports

IX. Principal/Superintendent Reports

A. Principal Report

Good News Sharing:

1. Iowa Assessments moved to Spring!
2. 3rd Quarter Midterm was Feb. 3rd, Midterm reports mailed week of Feb. 5th. 3rd Quarter ends March 9th with Parent-Teacher Conferences March 13th and 15th.
3. Seniors robes arrived! Graduation is Sunday, May 13 at 2:30 p.m.
4. R-A Middle School Chanhassen Theatre trip is April 4th. Goal of \$3,800.00 was met.
5. Possible G-T/R-A trip to Washington D.C. for 6 to 11th graders. Details at the March Board Meeting by Mr. Harder.
6. G-T/R-A Speech had 5 entries compete in Large Group Speech at Spencer on January 20th earning 3 - I ratings and 2 - II ratings. Three groups in the I ratings advanced to State Competition in LeMars on February 3rd. They received 3 - I ratings and 1 - II rating.
7. Titan Wrestling Team WON the Sectional Championship at Emmetsburg on February 3rd, earning the chance to compete in the Team Dual Tournament on February 6th. Eight wrestlers advanced from the Sectional Tournament. Five taking Championship and three earning runner-up positions. Kolton Roth and Carter Murray qualified for the State Tournament! Carter placed 8th and Kolton placed second! The Titans ended the Season with a 2nd place finish in Twin Lakes, a championship in Twin Lakes Conference and a Sectional Team Championship!
8. Girls Basketball - finished with a record of 16-8 and 5th place in the Twin Lakes Conference! Boys Basketball - finished with a record of 15-8 and placed 3rd in the Twin Lakes Conference!

B. Superintendent Report

Professional Development

- AEA - Trisha and Master Teacher - Becky met with reading teachers to review the most recent testing and used the results to drive reading instruction.

- February 16th - PD - The Elementary worked on PRESS Training and Reading Interventions. The MS/HS/Paras - worked on Behavior Training and Autism

Teacher Leadership and Compensation - TLC - The Smore January edition focus is ready to view. The TLC National Convention will be in National Harbor, Washington DC on March 22nd thru March 25th.

Doug Reeves - Learning Opportunity for the Board - Doug Reeves will be speaking at the March 6th Superintendent meeting with lunch provided. The Board is invited to attend.

FFA Updates - District Officer Interviews on Saturday, February 3rd. Subdistrict Contest on Monday, February 5th. National FFA Week is February 18-24th. The District Convention is Saturday, March 3rd.

State Reporting - Modified supplemental Amount - Dropout Prevention - State Certified after correction by Ranae. SRI- Winter has been submitted.

Palo Alto County Gaming - The Priorities Letter was sent in. The Banquet is on March 2nd at 5:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events -

- February 28th is the Joint Board Meeting.
- March - PACG Banquet - March 2nd
- TLC - Convention - March 22-25

X. Information Items:

1. **17-18 Calendar** - The 3 days missed - due to weather will be made up on May 21, 22 and 23.
2. **Negotiations** - The insurance increase is 3.95% and IPERS has an increase of .04. Waiting on funding issues from the Legislature.
3. **Buildings and Grounds** - Working on Summer 2018 projects.

XI. CLOSED SESSION Code 21.5 (1) j. - Motion by Enderson to move into a Closed Session at 9:20 pm. Second by Long. Motion carried. Roll call in: Sikora, Enderson, Long, Ruehle, Malm and Fay. Board discussion on the purchase of real estate. Roll call out of Closed Session: Sikora, Enderson, Long, Ruehle, Malm and Fay.

XI. Adjourn - Motion by Enderson to adjourn the meeting at 9:42 p.m. Second by Long. Motion carried. The next board meeting will be Monday, March 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Kelli Harmon, Board Secretary

