

Unapproved
Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 10, 2018, 6:00 PM
Room 214 - Board Room

The Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education held its regular meeting with the following in attendance; Larry Conlon, Tracy Enderson, Stephanie Fay, Darin Malm, Heather Ruehle, Susan Sikora, Jon Josephson, Andrew Woiwood and Kelli Harmon. Absent: Bruce Long who joined the meeting at 7:00 p.m. AEA Skyped in: Josh Bader. All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

- I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance** - President Sikora at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Review of District Mission Statement** - Malm
- III. Approve Agenda** - Motion by Fay to approve the Agenda; second Enderson. Motion carried.
- IV. Welcome Visitors and Guests** - President Sikora
- V. Board Learning 5x5** - None
- VI. Communications**
 - 1. Citizens or organizations in attendance** - Josephson addressed the board.
 - 2. Received through the mail** - Thank you to the board from Mary Smith for thinking of her and her family.
 - 3. Through Board Members** - None
- VII. Business & Action Items** -
 - 1. Consent Items** - Motion made by Malm to approve the consent items. Second by Fay. Motion carried.
 - a. Minutes** - December Board Minutes were approved as is.
 - b. Approval of Bills/Claims**
 - c. Financial Reports** - Presented by Josh Bader of AEA.
 - d. Activity Calendar for February** - The regular School Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 13th at 6:00 p.m. The Joint Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, February 28th at 6:00 p.m. in the Ruthven School Library.
 - e. Field Trip** - None
 - 2. Personnel** - Motion by Fay to approve the resignation of Brenda Gonzales as Special Education Teacher. She will finish out the school year. Second by Conlon. Motion carried.
 - 3. Open Enrollment** - None at this time.
 - 4. Joint Board Meeting - February 28, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in Ruthven.**

The board came up with items to discuss at the Joint Meeting.
 - 5. Master Calendar - 2018 -2019**

The board reviewed and made suggestions to the Master Calendar for 2018- 2019.
- 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. Excellent Middle School Concert.
 2. Very nice High School Holiday Concert.
 3. Accessible Restroom is done and looks great. Thank you to Mr. Nielsen for tolerating the construction!
 4. Finally getting temperature under control on the top floor.
 5. Appreciate the great support from our team of paraprofessionals.
 6. Sharing of songs and gifts at the Care Center with Iowa State Bank went great. Excellent experience for our students!
 7. Congratulations to the G-T/R-A Wrestling Team for capturing 1st Place at the Titan Invitational at Graettinger on Saturday!
- 2nd Quarter and 1st Semester Grades have been finalized and report cards mailed.
 - a. Honor Rolls have been calculated and will be officially released on Friday at 9-12 and 5-8 assemblies.
 - 2nd Semester classes are underway. 2nd Semester Schedules are being finalized for all 9 -12 students.
 - The 5-12 staff will be planning for the MS Chanhassen Dinner Theatre trip in April. They will continue work on Instruction and Assessment through the TLC program. The 5-12 staff are beginning preparations for Iowa Assessments in April.
 - The 2017 Iowa Report Card was released in December. The rankings for 7-12 remain unchanged from 2016 at the Acceptable Level. Focus will be on improving the College and Career Readiness standard with the Iowa Assessment Math and Reading scores.

B. Superintendent Report

Professional Development

January 3rd - Joint PD - In the morning the teachers worked on and discussed:

- 1) Growth Mindset vs. Closed Mindset, 2) Know the “Why” before the “How,
- 3) KU Writing Strategies, 4) PBIS Meeting. In the afternoon, they worked in their rooms and prepared for the 3rd Quarter/2nd Semester.

Early Out - PD - The once a week meetings for both the Elementary and High School have been successful.

Teacher Leadership and Compensation - TLC - The Smore December edition focus is on R-A for “What’s Happening at School?” The December edition focus is on G-T and is now available. The TLC National Convention will be in Washington DC on March 23

thru

March 26th.

State Reporting: The Modified Supplemental Amount and Dropout Prevention reports have been submitted and approved. The SRI is due January 31st.

State Report Card - The State Report Card shows the Elementary classes at 80.6% Proficiency and Attendance is at 96.6%. High School is at 75.9% Proficiency and Attendance is at 93.9%. Over all the ratings were acceptable. Focus will be on College and Career Readiness for both the Elementary and High School.

Palo Alto County Gaming - Ruthven-Ayrshire has applied for the Mini Grants through Palo Alto County Gaming for 2017. The Priorities Letter is due January 31, 2018.

Upcoming Events - February 16th is our Professional Development Day - No School.

The Elementary will have PRESS training and the MS/HS will have Behavior Team.

X. Information Items: None

XI. CLOSED SESSION Code 21.5 (1) j. - Motion by Conlon to move into a Closed Session. Second by Fay. Motion carried. Roll call in: Sikora, Enderson, Long, Ruehle, Conlon, Malm and Fay. Motion was made by Fay, that board approval was given to make an offer on the real estate property. Second by Malm. Motion carried.

Roll call out of Closed Session: Sikora, Enderson, Long, Ruehle, Conlon, Malm and Fay.

XI. Adjourn - Motion by Enderson to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Second by Ruehle.

Motion carried. The next board meeting will be Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

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Kelli Harmon, Board Secretary