

**Unapproved
Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education
Regular Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, September 10, 2019, 7:00 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, Bruce Long, Darin Malm, Heather Ruele, Susan Sikora, Jon Josephson, Kelli Harmon, Alyssa Enderson and Andrew Woiwood. Guests: Joel Sikora and Lauren Josephson.

All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

- I. Call to Order** - President Long at 7:00 p.m. - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Review of District Mission Statement** - Malm
- III. Approve Agenda** - Motion by Sikora to approve the agenda and to add the NHS presentation after welcoming guests. Second by Enderson. Motion carried.
- IV. Welcome Visitors and Guests** - President Long
- V. Board Learning- Larry Sigel August & September 2019 5x5**
 - 1. Iowa** - Iowa State Fair has over 200 food vendors at the fair. 80 choices of food are on sticks. There are ½ a million students attending schools in Iowa. Remember they all have a face and a name and are important to all of us.
 - 2. School** - There are 1400 school attendant centers in Iowa. Because of the Every Student Succeeds Act, the schools now need to report expenditures per student at the building level.
 - 3. Finance** - The last decade showed schools having low investment rates for idle funds. The General Fund generates cash and spending authority when the investments go in.
 - 4. Information** - Look at our updated Mapping Tool. It has all of the information for FY20 data.
 - 5. Services** - The 5 Year Projection Workshop will be the last 2 weeks of October. If you have questions about the Argazmy Report, contact ISFIS.
- VI. Communication**
 - 1. Citizens or organizations in attendance** - None
 - 2. Received thru the mail** - None
 - 3. Through Board Members** - The board received a Thank -You from the Ron Hanson family.
- VII. Business and Action Items** -
 - 1. Consent Items** - Motion by Fay to approve the consent items. Second by Enderson. Motion carried.
 - a. Minutes** - August Board Minutes and the September Special Meeting Minutes were approved as is.
 - b. Approval of Bills/Claims**
 - c. Financial Report** - Presented by Enderson - SBO
 - d. Activity Calendar** - Board Meeting will be Wednesday, October 16th at 7:00 p.m.
 - e. Field Trips** -
 - **PK** to Solsma's Pumpkin Patch the last week of September and 1st week of October. Then to the Spencer City Park.
 - **The 1st Grade** will go to the Palo Alto County Fairgrounds on Thursday, September 19th.
 - **The 1st Grade** will go to the Little Sioux Orchard in Milford and Dickinson County in Okoboji.

- **3rd Grade** went to the Clay County Fair and gave a report on what they learned.
2. **National Honor Society Kansas City Trip** - Lauren Josephson and Joel Sikora presented the plans for the NHS Kansas City Trip. Motion by Sikora to approve the NHS Kansas City Trip. Second by Fay. Motion carried.
 2. **Athletic Complex** -
 - Public Hearings - August 8, 2019 and September 3, 2019
 - Pre-Construction Meeting - September 4, 2019
 - Electrical Meeting - September 4, 2019
 - CTS - Testing Service Contract - \$3,000-\$3,500 estimate
 - CTS - test holes - 3 holes to test soil makeup - \$1,500
 - Scoreboards - Time Clock (\$150 for both)
 - Groundbreaking - Date/Time?
 - Sign - Athletic Agreement Update
 3. **Personnel** - Motion by Conlon to approve the contract for Jerrica Hartline as bus driver. Also to approve the contract for Arianna Summerfield and Jeff Kathman as para's. Second by Ruele. Motioned carried.
 4. **Post Secondary Enrollment** - Motion by Conlon to approve the students who are taking Post Secondary courses. Second by Malm. Motion carried.
 5. **Open Enrollment** - Motion by Ruele to approve the Open Enrollment for RC to Emmetsburg and PR, JH, and CH to Ruthven from Spencer. Second by Enderson. Motion carried.
 6. **Board Policies** - **401.17, 401.17R1, 401.18, 502.9, 505.10R1, 705.8, 705.8R1, 707.6, 7076R1, 713, 713.R1, 804.9.** Motion by Fay to approve the 3rd reading of the policies. Second by Sikora. Motion carried.
 7. **Interfund Loan Agreement** - Motion by Conlon to approve the Interfund Loan Agreement. Second by Fay. Motion carried.

VIII. Recognition of Staff and Students

A. "Good News Sharing" - Principal Report -

1. Very nice Flag Raising Ceremony for the Start of the Year.
 2. Air Conditioners have made a huge difference in the educational climate!
 3. The lunchroom has been going better
 4. Launch of the Second Step Program has gone well
 5. Fall Athletic Teams
- B.** A new curriculum for the Middle School is Second Step which is a researched based/activity oriented Social/Emotional Learning program. The staff is excited about the potential this program has for improving learning and behavior.
- C.** iReady diagnostics have been administered for reading and math in grades 5-8. These assessments help us track student progress over time and also are the basis for their online iReady instruction and lessons. MAP testing for High School will be after Homecoming.
- D.** The joint G-T/R-A Student Council is preparing for Homecoming the week of Sept. 23rd.. The parade in Ruthven will be on Thursday, the 26th at 2:00 p.m. ending at the Ruthven Community Care Center. There will be a pep rally at the Care Center. Coronation will be on Thursday, September 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Graettinger. The parade in Graettinger will be Friday the 27th at 2:00 p.m. The Homecoming Game vs. North Union will be Friday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. in Graettinger.
- E.** Midterm for 1st Quarter is next Friday, September 20th.

IX. Superintendent Report -

A. Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report-

- **Professional Development September 13, 2019.** - Full Day PD for the teachers for both schools. The RA Elementary will be working on iReady in the AM. Also EL Phonics and Suicide Prevention and required training in the PM. R-A Middle School and High School will do the Suicide Prevention in the AM and the required training in the PM
- **Review of the TLC Grand Goals** - The team met to review the TLC Goals for 2019-20.

B. 1st Day Enrollment

- 2019 - 219 rough count 1st Day
- 2018 - 217 certified enrollment
- 2017 - 222 certified enrollment
- 2016 - 229 certified enrollment

C. Superintendent Search - Woiwood presented the action plan to get started on the Superintendent Search. The Board Presidents and Vice Presidents will meet on October 2nd in Ruthven at 5:00 p.m. There will be a Joint Board Meeting the week of October 21st at 5:30 pm. The Search Firm and Joint Board Committee Meeting will be the week of November 4th in Ruthven at 5:30 p.m

D. Schools with No Ejections -

- Schools with No Ejections - Coaches or Athletes. G-T/RA schools received a letter stating that we are one of 149 schools that had no athletes or coaches ejected during the 2018-19 school year. Great conduct and sportsmanship!

E. IASB Safety Group - Ruthven-Ayrshire Community School has been recognized as an IASB Safety Group leader in the area of Worker's Compensation. We currently have an Experience Modification Factor of .810.

F. Sale of 1998 Bus - This bus did not pass inspections. It needs a new floor.

G. State Reporting - CASA - In progress, Preschool is done. CSIP is done. Assurance is done. The Title 1 Budget for 19/20 is in progress. Student Reporting in Iowa is in progress. Has a new process and seems to be an improvement. Certified Enrollment is in progress.

H. Upcoming Events -

- September 12 - Water Rocks Assembly K-8
- September 23rd - Homecoming Week - Playing North Union
- September 26th - Coronation at G-T
- September 26th - Parade in Ruthven
- September 27th - Parade/Game/Dance in G-T
- October 2nd - Healthy Iowa Walk K-12 - 10:30 a.m.
- November 20 to 21 is the School Board Convention
- November 20 - Delegate Assembly
- November 21 - IASB Convention

X. Information Items:

1. IASB Convention - The IASB Convention will have the Delegate Assembly on November 20th and the Convention will be on November 21st.

2. NoBo is planning an Open House. NoBo students are working on the details.

XI. Adjourn - Motion by Fay to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m. Second by Enderson.

Motion carried. The next board meeting will be Wednesday, October 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Kelli Harmon, Board Secretary