

Board Meeting Update

Rocky River Board of Education

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The following is an overview of the April 18, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Action

- A Resolution to approve the Minutes of Preceding Meetings was approved.
- The Resolution to Adopt New and Revised Board Policies & Guidelines was approved.
- The Board approved the Resolution approving the March 2013 Financial Statement and Intrafund Transfers for General Accounting.
- The Board approved a Resolution to Amend Appropriations for all Funds as of March 31, 2013.
- A Resolution to approve Then and Now Certificates was approved.
- A Resolution to approve Retirements and Resignations was approved.
- The Board approved Resolutions to approve Appointments and Supplemental Duty Appointments for the 2012-2013 School Year.
- A Resolution to approve Adjustments in Salary, Assignment and Rate of Pay was approved.
- A Resolution to approve Reappointment of Teachers on Limited Contract was approved.
- A Resolution to approve Appointment of Teachers to New Continuing Contract was approved.
- A Resolution to approve Change Management Items was approved.
- The Resolution to approve Candidate for Graduation was approved.
- A Resolution to approve the High School Business SAGE Competition at Xavier University in Cincinnati May 24-27, 2013 was approved.
- The Resolution to approve Rocky River City School District and Kensington Intermediate School's application for and possible Participation in, if Selected, the Ohio Department of Education's Ohio Performance Assessment Pilot Project (OPAPP) Cohort 5 was approved.
- A Resolution to Accept Gifts to Schools was approved.
- A Resolution to Adjourn was approved.

Superintendent's Update

- Mrs. Susan Forbes, district gifted coordinator, announced that seventh and eighth grade students, Becky Zamarripa, Andrew Gluntz, Grace Janosik, Bryan Burnley, Peter Wilson, Brandon Schumacker and William Ruebsteck had an opportunity to participate in an academic challenge game sponsored by the Cuyahoga County Educational Service Center. "Academic Superbowl" tested the students on a variety of information pertaining to all academic subjects. Interested students practiced once per week throughout third quarter. RRMS sent two teams of students to the competition, which was held on April 18, 2013. Combining the points won by both teams resulted in a third place district trophy for our school. In addition, both of our teams earned enough points to compete in an individual showdown for the 6 highest scoring teams. One of our teams won first place in the individual team division.
- Mrs. Ashley Morriss, advisor for the Pirate Press, reported that the newspaper staff submitted entries into the Ohio Scholastic Media Association's annual contest. They sent in submissions in February and just received results in mid-April. The students won over 30 awards (more than last year) and more of the awards were of a higher caliber (less honorable mentions and more Excellent and Superiors!) The Pirate Press ranked second place in the newsmagazine category in our region.

- Dr. Shoaf discussed letter drafts to our Legislators in the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate that were sent out to staff and parents discussing our need for funding.

Policy & Legislation Committee

- The Resolution to Adopt New and Revised Board Policies & Guidelines was approved on the April Board Agenda.

Finance Committee

- Mr. Swartz and Mr. Markus provided an update to the Board on the March financial reports. The property tax settlement amounts were recently received and the net positive variance from all property tax sources for the current fiscal year will be approximately +\$66,000. There is one more delinquent tax advance scheduled in May that may add or deduct from this projected variance. Current delinquent taxes as of April 2 now stand at approximately \$550,000, which is closer to normal historical levels.
- Older buses are in need of being replaced. Looking at replacing 1-2 buses yearly. We have approximately 22-24 buses right now
- A five-year forecast update is being worked on and a draft will be shared with the Board for review in early May for adoption by May 31 as required by Ohio administrative code.

Other

- Mrs. Rounds read highlights of the evaluations for the teachers receiving continuing contracts.

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