

Rawlins County Unified School District # 105
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
6:30 p.m., May 17, 2021
Rawlins County USD 105 Board Room

Board members present: Megan Rippe, Dianna Kastens, Matt Finley, Terry Ballard, Bill Finley

Others present: Eric Stoddard, Matt Smith, Alyssa Vanderhoof, Wes Dreyer, Emily Green, Chandler Pettibone, Adam Tully, Jessica Tully, Mica Johnson, Erica Smith, Kayla Unger, Lacy Sramek, Rachel Palmer, Courtney Schamberger, Emily McQuitty, Melody Bearley, Dana Juenemann, Victoria Rall, Sara Schmidt

21-209 Approval of Agenda

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Terry Ballard to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

21-210 Approval of Minutes of the April 19th, 2021 Regular Meeting

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Matt Finley to approve the April 19, 2021 minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

21-211 Discussion Patron Request to address the Board.

Melody Bearley addressed the board with questions regarding lunch and lunch recess personnel, power school announcements and advertising of board meetings, qualifications of administration and non-elected personnel.

Motion by Terry Ballard second by Dianna Kastens to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 5 minutes and return to open session at 6:53 pm. Executive session shall include Melody Bearley, Mr. Stoddard, and the board. Motion carried 4-1 (Matt Finley abstained).

The board returned to open session at 6:53pm.

Motion by Terry Ballard second by Bill Finley to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 5 minutes and return to open session at 6:59 pm. Executive session shall include Melody Bearley, Mr. Stoddard, and the board. Motion carried 4-1 (Matt Finley abstained).

The board returned to open session at 6:59pm.

21-212 Action/Discussion FFA Travel

Courtney Schamberger requested permission and shared information for travel for an officer training retreat.

Motion by Matt Finley second by Terry Ballard to approve the FFA Office Training Retreat travel to Fort Worth, Texas this summer, providing a vehicle, fuel, and 5 meals. Motion carried 5-0.

21-213 Discussion KESA

The KESA committee was present to share activities from this year and their plan for next year.

21-214 Action/Discussion on RCHS Weightroom

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to adopt the weight room/gym general rules, waiver and release form as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

21-215 Action/Discussion 2021-22 Lunch/Textbook Fees

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Bill Finley keep the adult meals at \$3.85 for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Terry Ballard to maintain the same lunch/textbook/technology fees for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried 5-0.

21-216 Action/Discussion 2021-2022 KASB Membership/LAF

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to approve the renewal of the KASB LAF contract and annual membership renewal for 2021-2022. Motion carried 5-0.

21-217 Action/Discussion Purchase/Replacement of SMARTBOARDS

Motion by Matt Finley second by Terry Ballard to approve the purchase of 14 new smartboards from KCAV. Motion carried 5-0.

21-218 Action/Discussion Policy Updates

The board had a discussion on policy updates. Any action will be tabled until next month.

21-219 Action/Discussion Increase of Substitute Pay

Motion by Terry Ballard to increase the substitute pay to \$125/day. Motion withdrew due to lack of a second.

Motion by Bill Finley second by Terry Ballard to increase the substitute pay to \$130/day. Motion carried 4-1. (D. Kastens cast a no vote)

21-220 Handbook Updates: First Read

Reviewed changes of handbooks

21-221 Administrator Reports**Superintendent:**

- Goal Setting/Strategic Planning
- Board Election – reminder on filing deadline
- Discussed Senate Bill 13

Business Manager:

- State Audit Summary

RCHS Principal:

- FFA officers/banquet update
- Athletic update
- 6th grade orientation recap
- City-wide community cleanup – high school students assisted the city with the cleanup
- Art/Woods Show was a success
- HS Awards Day/Jr High Awards Day
- Music programs/Graduation was a success
- Roy Draper Memorial Funds

RCES Principal:

- Bike safety day
- Family Game and BBQ night was hosted at RCES and well attended
- Music program was a success
- Awards Day/6th grade promotion was a success
- RCES students attended field day
- State assessments have been completed

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to take a 5-minute break. Motion carried 5-0.

21-222 Discussion/Action-Payment of Claims

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Matt Finley to approve the payment of claims as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

21-223 Executive Session for Student Matters

Motion by Matt Finley second by Terry Ballard to go into executive session for student matters to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 7 minutes and return to open session at 9:00 pm. Executive session shall include the board, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Vanderhoof, Mrs. Sramek, Mr. Smith and Mrs. Palmer. Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:00pm.

Motion by Matt Finley second by Terry Ballard to go into executive session for student matters to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 10 minutes and return to open session at 9:11 pm. Executive session shall include the board, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Vanderhoof, Mrs. Sramek, Mr. Smith and Mrs. Palmer. Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:11pm.

21-224 Executive Session for Student Matters

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to go into executive session for student matters to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 10 minutes and return to open session at 9:24 pm. Executive session shall include the board, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Vanderhoof, Mrs. Sramek. Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:24 pm.

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to go into executive session for student matters to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 5 minutes and return to open session at 9:30 pm. Executive session shall include the board, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Vanderhoof, Mrs. Sramek. Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:30 pm.

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to go into executive session for student matters to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 7 minutes and return to open session at 9:39 pm. Executive session shall include the board, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Vanderhoof, Mrs. Sramek and Mr. Smith. Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:39 pm.

21-225 Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Matt Finley to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 7 minutes and return to open session at 9:48 pm. Executive session shall include the board and administration Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:48 pm.

21-226 Action on Executive Session

Motion by Dianna Kastens second by Terry Ballard to accept the resignations of Rachel Palmer as elementary teacher, Nathan Ketzner as high school assistant boys basketball coach, Rebecca Reuther as para-educator, Sage Lohofener as para-educator with great appreciation for their services to the district; accept the hiring of John Steiger as elementary PE teacher, Jenny Popp as jr. high assistant track coach, Nathan Ketzner as high school head boys basketball coach, Tasha Cavenee as elementary para-educator, Lyn Reeves as elementary para-educator, Gwen Maris as elementary para-educator; accept the transfer of Sadee Ziegler to high school para-educator. Motion carried 5-0.

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The board returned to open session at 9:59

21-228 Action on Executive Session: Renewal of Classified Staff

No action taken, tabled until next month.

21-229 Executive Session for Negotiations

Motion by Matt Finley second by Dianna Kastens to go into executive session for negotiations to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 7 minutes and return to open session at 10:08 pm. Executive session shall include the board, Mr. Dreyer, Mr. Stoddard. Motion carried 5-0.

The board returned to open session at 10:08pm.

21-230 Adjournment

Motion by Bill Finley second by Dianna Kastens to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Emily Green
Board Clerk