

Unapproved
Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education
Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, December 12, 2017, 5:30 PM
Room 214 - Board Room

The Ruthven-Ayrshire Board of Education held its regular meeting with the following in attendance; Tracy Enderson,, Stephanie Fay, Heather Ruehle, Susan Sikora, Kelli Harmon, Jon Josephson and Andrew Woiwood. Also in attendance on Skype: Josh Bader, Michelle Dowd, and Jann Murphy from the AEA. Absent: Larry Conlon and Darin Malm.

All motions were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

- I. Call to Order** - President Sikora at 5:30 p.m. - Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Review of District Mission Statement** - Enderson
- III. Approve Agenda** - Motion by Fay to approve the agenda. Second by Ruehle. Motion carried.
- IV. Welcome Visitors and Guests** - President Sikora
Conlon and Malm joined the meeting at 5:40 p.m.
- V. Board Learning - Titan Life** - Mrs. Cook presented the Titan Life Class to the board. The students gain knowledge for life after high school. They look at career goals, employment, and financial responsibilities. **FFA** - The FFA students talked about their trip to the FFA Convention in Des Moines.
- VI. Communications**
 1. Citizens or organizations in attendance - Schnurr and Co Audit Report presented by Murray Stanley. He presented the Summary Report, Audit Report and SAS 114 Report.
 2. Received through the mail - None
 3. Through Board Members - A graduate of Ruthven-Ayrshire, Alicia Stormer-Clark, has received her Doctorate.
- VII. Business & Action Items** -
 1. **Consent Items** - Motion made by Conlon to approve the consent items. Second by Fay. Motion carried.
 - a. **Minutes** - November 13, 2017 Board Minutes were approved as it.
 - b. **Approval of Bills/Claims**
 - c. **Financial Report**
 - d. **Activity Calendar for December** - The regular School Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, January 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
 - e. **Field Trips** - None
 2. **Open Enrollment** - Motion by Malm to approve the open enrollment of CZ, a 3 yr. old for The SE program in Spencer. Second by Fay. Motion carried.
 3. **Personnel** - Motion by Long to approve the hiring of Michael Girres as a Part-time MS 1:1 Para. Second by Enderson. Motion carried.
 4. **Modified Supplemental Amount - At-Risk/Dropout Prevention** - Motion by Fay to authorize the request for Modified Supplemental Amount for Dropout Prevention in the amount of \$24,368. Second by Enderson. Motion carried.
 5. **School Bus Purchase** - Motion by Fay to approve the purchase of one International 59 passenger bus from Hognlund Bus Company. The cost will be \$80,799 plus \$900 for seat belts to be put in the front two seats of the bus. Second by Malm. Motion carried.
- VIII. Recognition of Staff and Students**
 - A. **“Good News Sharing”** -

IX. Principal/Superintendent Reports

A. Principal Report - Mr. Josephson -

1. Good News - Sharing/Recognition
 - a. 7th Grade Industrial Tech Students completed and “raced” their CO2 Cars
 - b. MAP Testing went well
 - c. Great Sophomore Poems related to their learning from the book “Night”
 - d. Junior preparations for Prom are going well.
 - e. Appreciate GREAT Subs!!
 - f. Wired Differently Conference was very good
 - g. \$500 donation from ISEA for our Middle School Field Trip
2. The R-A Middle School has been busy planning:
 - a. Fundraising for our “return trip” to the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre in Minneapolis on April 4th. They are going to see the Broadway Musical “Newsies.” They have raised \$2500. Mr. Nielsen will be introducing the “Adopt A Student” program at the Middle School Concert on Thursday. Individuals may donate \$60.00 for 1 student, \$120.00 for 2 students, etc.. The Middle School will hold a Frosty’s Fundraiser this Saturday to raise additional funds. Other fundraisers, including the Minute-to-Win-It competitions are planned for January thru March.
 - b. Assisting Iowa State Bank with their Sharing Tree program at the Ruthven Community Center on Friday. Last Friday, a group of students went shopping with Mrs. Kirk and Mrs. Zylstra to purchase gifts for the residents that the R-A Middle School Students are sponsoring. Thank you to Iowa State Bank.
3. High School students will participate in their winter PBIS Celebration Wednesday and will do community service in the afternoon
4. The R-A Middle School will present their Winter Concert Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
5. The G-T/R-A High School Band and Vocal Department will present their Holiday Concert Monday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m. in Graettinger.
6. Semester Tests will be on December 21st and 22nd.
7. High School Basketball and Wrestling has started. Junior High Boys had their final game of the season today. Junior High Girls Basketball and Wrestling will start after the holiday break.
8. The accessible restroom on the gym level is near completion. Should be usable for the MMC/RU game on Friday.
9. Rod Hough and I will attend the Iowa High School Athletic Association Board of Control Meeting on Friday morning in Boone to discuss changes and their effect on our program.
10. Dead week will be December 22 -27. Practices will resume on December 28th.

B. Superintendent- Mr. Woiwood

Professional Development-

Wednesday Early Outs -

R-A Elementary - Working on Fastbridge with Interventions and Progress Mentoring. The teachers are stressing Core Concepts and grade level one up and one down. Also the Individual Growth Plans.

R-A MS/HS - The Middle School and High School are working on Individual Growth Plans.

Teacher Leadership and Compensation - TLC - Mrs. Masters has provided the SMORE presentation on What’s Happening in Our Schools.

The TLC National Convention is in Washington D.C. on March 23rd -26th.

Joint Board Meeting - Wednesday, February 21st at 6:00 p.m. in Ruthven.

Things to discuss will be 1) Facilities Project. The 2nd vote is April 3rd. 2) 2017-18 - Approve 6 Year Academic Sharing to match 6 Year Athletic Sharing. 3) Tuition cost and 4) any other topics that need to be on the agenda.

State Reporting -

- Modified Supplemental Amount - At-Risk/Dropout prevention is due December 15, 2017.
- **Platinum Star Status for Certified Enrollment** - Ruthven-Ayrshire attained the Platinum Star Status for meeting the requirements for the gold star status and requiring no modifications or corrections to data after October 15, 2017. Thanks to everyone that helps with completing this report!

Palo Alto County Gaming Grant for 2017 is being worked on to be submitted by Mr. Nielsen

Upcoming Events - 1) 2:30 pm. Early Dismissal - Christmas Break, 2) School resumes January 3rd for PD for teachers and January 4th for the students.

X. Information Items:

1. **Last day of the 1st Semester - Friday, December 22nd with a 2:30 Dismissal.** The teachers will return on January 3rd for PD and the students will start back on the 4th.
2. **GT/RA TLC** was selected to be part of the case study of TLC programs in Iowa. Congratulations to the TLC Leadership team and the GT/RA staffs.

XI. Adjourn - Motion by Enderson to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Second by Fay.
Motion carried. The next board meeting will be Wednesday, January 10th at 6:00 p.m.
Kelli Harmon, Board Secretary