

ROCKPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING
Wednesday September 6, 2017

Chairperson Colleen Coogan called the regular meeting of the Rockport School Committee to order at 7:04 p.m. in the MS/HS Library. Present were Nicole Altieri, Colleen Coogan, Heather Nelson, Mary Porter, and Rebecca Sly. Also, present were Superintendent Robert Liebow and Recording Secretary Ingrid Keating.

I. Opening of Regular Meeting

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion: Nicole Altieri motioned to approve the regular minutes from August 23, 2017.
Seconded: Rebecca Sly seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion carried 4-0.

B. Personnel Actions

Nancy Bogardus has filed her intent to retire on June 30, 2018.

II. Community Participation

A. Student Advisory Representative N/A

B. Public Participation N/A

III. Discussion and Recommended Action

A. Opening of School Report

Superintendent Liebow presented and explained the enrollment numbers from the start of the school year. There are concerns that the birth rates in Rockport are declining and without school choice students in the high school we would not be able to offer a comprehensive program.

B. Support Staff MOA's

Motion: Heather Nelson motioned to approve the MOA and job description for the Special Education Department Support Clerk and Substitute for the 2017- 2018 school year as presented.
Second: Nicole Altieri seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion carried 5-0.

C. Job Description

See above motion

D. Policy Review/Proposals

Motion: Rebecca Sly motioned to approve the revised policy File: GCF Professional Staff Hiring as presented.
Second: Nicole Altieri seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion carried 5-0.

The school committee had a first reading on the following policies:

- File: BBBA/BBBB School Committee Member Qualifications/Oath of office
- File: BDF Advisory Committees
- File: BEDA Notification of School Committee Meetings
- File: BEDB School Committee Agendas
- File: BEDF Voting Method

File: BHE Use of electronic Messaging by School Committee Members
File: FA Facilities Development Goals
File: GBEA Staff Ethics/Conflict of Interest

E. Warrants and Payroll

IV. Information and proposals

A. School Council Update N/A

B. Donations N/A

C. Updates

Sub-committees:

The communications sub-committee will be setting up meetings with Mike Montgomery from the IT department to review the website and procedures for social media.

D Other Business

Superintendent Liebow reported that the MASC/AYP scores will not be available until mid-October. Since it is a “hybrid” test, growth profiles will probably not be available.

He also showed the committee the website that monitors the energy production at the Greenhouse. The playground has had some repairs and is scheduled to be inspected by a certified contractor.

V. Correspondence

VI. Future Agenda Items

- A. Superintendent’s Report/FundFlow
- B. Elementary Wellness/Specials report (9/20)
- C. Capital Improvement Requests (10/4)
- D. MASC/AYP (10/18)
- E. Strategic Plan (10/18)
- F. Nurse (11/1)

VII. Calendar

- A. September 20, 2017, regular meeting
- B. October 4, 2017, regular meeting

VIII. Executive Session N/A

Motion: Mary Porter motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:00 p.m.
Seconded: Nicole Altieri seconded the motion.
Vote: The motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Liebow
Superintendent of Schools