

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
GENESEO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL
DISTRICT #228 BOARD OF EDUCATION
648 N. CHICAGO STREET
GENESEO, ILLINOIS
HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2013, AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE GENESEO DISTRICT OFFICE MEETING ROOM**

PRESENT:

H. DeBrock
D. Ford
J. Mickley
J. Puentes
B. Snodgrass
A. VanDeWoestyne

ALSO PRESENT:

Scott Kuffel, Superintendent
Tim Gronski, Director of Support Services
Jill DePauw

ABSENT:

C. Coleman

Natalie Haugse, Recording Secretary

1. President Ford called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call was taken with six members present (Ford, Puentes, Snodgrass, VanDeWoestyne, DeBrock, Mickley), one absent (Coleman).

2. Mr. Ford recognized visitors and asked for any public participation. Bill Eaker and Stephanie Rickman updated the Board on elementary technology and its uses in the classroom, highlighting EverNote and iBooks Author.
3. Motion by VanDeWoestyne, seconded by Mickley to accept the consent agenda as presented:
 - a. Approve the minutes of the November 14, 2013, Regular Meeting
 - b. Approve RRCAS bills in the amount of \$11,639.45, payroll in the amount of \$11,509.74, for total expenditures of \$23,149.19
 - c. Approve Geneseo District #228 bills in the amount of \$1,021,311.24, payroll in the amount of \$747,091.38, for total expenditures of \$1,768,403.12
 - d. Approve 2014-15 Geneseo High School New Course Proposals
 - i. AP World History
 - ii. Life Long Learning
 - e. Approve Solicitation of Bids for 2014-15 School Year

Motion carried by roll call vote of six ayes, (VanDeWoestyne, DeBrock, Puentes, Ford, Snodgrass, Mickley), one absent (Coleman).

4. Motion by Snodgrass, seconded by Puentes to accept the personnel agenda as presented

Employment

Name	Position
Jessica Haars	GHS Maplette Sponsor Volunteer
Claire Hermie	GHS Assistant Girls Varsity Basketball Coach Volunteer
Wes Jackson	GHS Assistant Girls Track Coach
Sarah Neff	Millikin Nurse, effective 01/06/2014
Jon Obrecht	GHS Assistant Boys Track Coach
Bob Pettit	GHS Assistant Girls Sophomore Basketball Coach Volunteer
DeAnn Piotrowski	Southwest Instructional Aide (2.5 hrs/day)/Playground Aide (1 hr/day)
Lauren Schmidt	GMS Head Girls Track Coach
Bob Ward	GHS Long-Term Substitute 12/02/2013 through 12/19/2013

Retirements/Resignations/Leaves

Name	Position
Deanna Danielson	Food Service Worker, effective 11/22/2013
Molly Reel	One-Year Leave of Absence, 2014-2015 school year
Alice Smith	Millikin Custodian, effective 12/30/2015

Motion carried by roll call vote of six ayes, (Mickley, Puentes, Ford, VanDeWoestyne, Snodgrass, DeBrock), one absent (Coleman).

5. Director of Support Services Report, including Action Items

- a. Consider/Approve 2013 Property Tax Levy

- i. Motion by Mickley, seconded by Puentes to approve the 2013 Property Tax Levy as presented reflecting 4.1338 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. A Truth In Taxation Hearing is not required. The total amount of the December 2013 levy, including bond and interest, is \$13,435,077.09, a 3.5645% increase.

Motion carried by roll call vote of six ayes, (DeBrock, Mickley, Snodgrass, VanDeWoestyne, Ford, Puentes), one absent (Coleman).

- b. Consider/Approve Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of RRCAS Teachers, Mark Buyck and Deborah Abrahamson. The Board of Directors of the Rock River Alternative School has determined to discontinue the alternative school program at the end of the 2013-14 school year, and such determination has been affirmed by all of the member districts. As Administrative District for RRCAS, the Board of Education of D228 is directed to dismiss RRCAS Certified Teachers.

- i. Motion by Snodgrass, seconded by VanDeWoestyne to approve Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of RRCAS Teachers, Mark Buyck and Deborah Abrahamson

Motion carried by roll call vote of six ayes, (Ford, Snodgrass, Puentes, Mickley, VanDeWoestyne, DeBrock), one absent (Coleman).

6. Superintendent Report, including Action Items

- a. Consider/Approve 2014 Health Insurance Plan Year Program. Mr. Kuffel presented the board with 2%, 5% and 8% rate increase proposals. Considering the current claims fund balance, his recommendation is to approve the 2% rate increase

- i. Motion by VanDeWoestyne, seconded by Snodgrass to approve 2014 Insurance Plan Year Program, increasing rates by 2%

Motion carried by roll call vote of six ayes, (DeBrock, Snodgrass, VanDeWoestyne, Ford, Puentes, Mickley), one absent (Coleman).

- b. ATLAS Update—The goal is to have the curriculum maps published by Christmas. Parents will be made aware through various communications such as podcasts and report card stuffers.

- c. High School Restructuring Requirements per NCLB

7. Board Member Updates

- a. Review of Joint Annual Conference. Board members shared their highlights of the 2013 JAC. MS/HS ASAP Presentation was well received. Workshops attended included ACA, Student Discipline, 1-to-1 Computing.
- b. D228 Board Development Plan
- c. Community Engagement for Master Planning: Next meetings are January 6 (Facilitating Team), 6:00 p.m. at the District Office; and January 13 (Community Engagement), 6:30 p.m. at St. Malachy's.
- d. Heard First Reading of Board Policy 1:30, School District Philosophy
- e. AP District Honor Roll
- f. D228 will host the Fall 2014 Blackhawk Division Meeting
- g. Matt DeBaene has accepted an Assistant Superintendent position with Moline School District for 2014-15

8. Motion by DeBrock, seconded by VanDeWoestyne to adjourn the regular session meeting

Motion carried by roll call vote of six ayes, (Ford, Puentes, DeBrock, Mickley, Snodgrass, VanDeWoestyne), one absent (Coleman).

9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY