



Rocket Express

February 16, 2016

The Rockwood Area Board of School Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

The minutes of the committee meeting on 1/19/16 and the regular meeting on 1/19/16 were approved.

The agenda, agenda items, and additional agenda items were approved.

The financial and treasurer reports, bills, and budgetary transfers were approved.

Board Recognition:

The following students of the month were recognized by the Board:

- Leah Hunt
- Zain Truszka
- Natalie King
- Josie Knopsnyder
- Dylan Zerfoss
- Sean Rugg

Public Comment:

Greg King addressed the Board and thanked them, on behalf of himself and Carrie Beth, for their continued support of the District rifle team. The team has done very well and Mr. King expressed that our District supports the team a lot more than many other districts that they compete against.

Old Business:

The Board approved the first reading of the following revisions to the Rockwood Area School District policy manual:

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| 115 | Career and Technical Education |
| 317 | Conduct/Disciplinary Procedures |
| 806 | Child Abuse |

New Business:

The Board approved the annual donation to the Somerset County Reading Teacher's Association for the annual Scrabble tournament.

The Board voted in favor to remove a proofing cabinet from the district cafeteria inventory.

The Board approved homebound instruction for a 12th grade student.

The Board approved the first reading of the following new policies of the Rockwood Area School District policy manual:

- 824 Maintaining Professional Adult/Student Boundaries
- 916 Volunteers

Committee Reports:

The Board accepted the resignation of Shanna Topka as the bona-fide volunteer junior high assistant track coach and voted in favor to advertise for the position.

The Board accepted the resignation of James Miller as the bona-fide volunteer boys' varsity basketball coach and voted in favor to advertise for the position. The Board approved James Miller as a bona-fide unpaid assistant coach for girls' basketball.

Conference Requests:

The following conference request was approved by the Board:

1. PA Association of School Nurses and Practitioners Annual Education Conference – State College, PA – 4/8/16 through 4/10/16 – Amanda Custer.

Field Trip Requests:

The Board approved the following field trip requests:

1. Spring Reading Competition – Forest Hills Middle School – 4/6/16 – Jenna Wintersteen and 2 teams.

Use of School Facility Requests:

The Board approved the following use of facility requests:

1. Rockwood Basketball Boosters – Rockwood high school gymnasium – 2/5/16, 6:00 A.M.-7:45 A.M. – Pizza & hoagie sale delivery.
2. Rockwood Basketball Boosters – Rockwood high school cafeteria – 2/19/16, 4:30 P.M.-9:00 P.M. – Basketball banquet.
3. Rockwood Church of the Brethren Youth Group – Rockwood high school cafeteria – 4/24/16, 9:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – Basket party bingo.
4. Rockwood Junior Legion Baseball – Rockwood elementary gymnasium, athletic fields – middle of February through the middle of July when available – Baseball practice.
5. Michelle Hoover Family & Friends – Rockwood high school cafeteria – 4/3/16, 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. – Basket party for Michelle Hoover.
6. Girls Varsity Soccer Team – Rockwood high school gymnasium – Saturdays in February and March, 9:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M. – Drop in soccer practice.
7. Pa. West Soccer Team (U12) – Rockwood high school or elementary gymnasium – weekdays, 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M.; Sundays after 1:00 P.M. when available – Soccer practice.

Club & Class Activity Requests:

The Board approved the following club & class activity requests:

1. Friends of the Library – Painting Party – 3/15/16 and 3/17/16 – Raise funds for books.

2. Class of 2019 – Krispy Kreme donut sale – Month of March – Raise funds for class projects.
3. Student Council – Marianna’s pizza & hoagie sale – 4/25/16 through 5/6/16 – raise funds for bonfire expenses.

Superintendent’s Report:

Mark Bower informed the Board that the boys’ basketball team has made the playoffs and will play in McConnellsburg on Thursday night. He wished the team good luck.

Mark Bower congratulated the rifle team on a very fine season.

Mark Bower informed the Board that there is a state opening on the PSERS Board of Directors. Any Board member that is interested should let him know.

Mark Bower informed the Board of a training session that will be held in Somerset on 3/9/16. Anyone interested should let him know as soon as possible.

The Board discussed a proposal from the Mill Shoppes to provide shows to our students in grades K-6. There was no support from the Board for approving these programs, as they want to continue to follow the field trip policy established several years ago with one trip per grade level.

Mark Bower informed the Board that PDE would like to get Narcon into all of the schools. He expressed his concerns about this proposal and the Board expressed no interest in pursuing the matter at this time.

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