

Ralls County R-II School District
Regular Board Meeting
June 13, 2024
Library
Mark Twain High School

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of Ralls County R-II Board of Education was called to order on Thursday, June 13, 2024, by President Ritchie Palmer 7:00 p.m.:

Member	Title	Present/Absent
Ritchie Palmer	President	Present
Pete Hilgenbrinck	Vice President	Present
Michael Boling	Secretary	Present (arrived at 7:13 p.m.)
Jason Liter	Treasurer	Present
Scott Hodges	MSBA Rep	Absent
Kathleen Barnett	MSBA Alternate	Present
Jake Moss	Member	Absent

Others in attendance included Tara Lewis, Tricia Moore, Carey Scherder, Samantha Krankka, Matt Lawson, Becky Esrock and Jacques Reynolds

III. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

III.1 Student Recognition (CSIP 1.1)

Mark Twain Junior High

Students of the Year

6th - Elise Bickel

7th - Jackson Stewart

8th - Emerson Eckler

Mark Twain High School

Mark Twain Track New Records

- Jenna Ross- 200 M Dash- 26.41 (May 11- Sectional Meet/ South Callaway)
- Jenna Ross- 200M Dash 25.79 (May 17- State Meet/ Jefferson City Preliminary)
- Madison Boleach, Jocelyn Hudelson, Ava McKinney, Jenna Ross- 4x200M 1:49.38 (May 11- Sectional Meet/ South Callaway)
- Amaris Melvin, Jenna Ross, Madison Boleach, Ella Moss- 4x100M 51.22 (May 11- Sectional Meet, South Callaway)
- Madison Boleach, Amaris Melvin, Jenna Ross, Ella Moss- 4 x 100 51.13 (May 17- State Meet/ Jefferson City Preliminary)
- Madison Boleach, Amaris Melvin, Jenna Ross, Ella Moss- 4 x 100 50.98 (May 18- State Meet/Jefferson City Final)
- Amaris Melvin- 100M Hurdles- 17.41 (May 17-State Meet/Jefferson City)
- Ella Moss- Long Jump 5.39M/17 ft 8.25in (May 17- State Meet/Jefferson City)
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- Jenna Ross- 200M 25.79 (May 17- State Meet/ Jefferson City)
- Madison Boleach, Amaris Melvin, Jenna Ross, Ella Moss- 4 x 100 50.98 (May 18- State Meet/ Jefferson City)
- Ella Moss- Long Jump 5.39M/17 ft 8.25in (May 17- State Meet/ Jefferson City)
- Sectional Track- May 11 at South Callaway (State Qualifiers)
 - Sam Northcutt- 800M 2:01.97 - 1st Place
 - Madison Boleach, Amaris Melvin, Jenna Ross, Ella Moss- 4 x 100- 51.22- 1st Place
 - Mason Delaporte- 110M Hurdles 16.38- 2nd Place
 - Ella Moss- Long Jump 16.02.25 - 2nd Place
 - Jenna Ross- 200M 26.41- 2nd Place
 - Isaiah Austin- Discus 129.09- 3rd Place
 - Amaris Melvin- 300M Hurdles 49.66 - 3rd Place

- **Ella Moss- 100 M Dash 13.09 - 3rd Place**
- **Madison Boleach, Jocelyn Hudelson, Ava McKinney, Jenna Ross- 4 x 200- 1:49.38- 3rd Place**
- **Coden Miller, Colten Eisele, Eli Mixon, Sam Northcutt- 4 x 800 - 8:42.70- 4th Place**
- **Amaris Melvin- 100M Hurdles 17.56- 4th Place**
- **Ella Moss- Triple Jump 35.00.50- 4th Place**
State Track- May 17-18 at Jefferson City
- **Ella Moss- Long Jump 5.39M/17 ft 8.25in 4th Place Medalist**
- **Isaiah Austin- Discus 4.89M 8th Place Medalist**
- **Madison Boleach, Amaris Melvin, Jenna Ross, Ella Moss- 4 x 100 50.98 7th Place Medalist**
All District Baseball
- **Ayden Waters- Class 3, District 8 All District Team**
10th Annual Missouri vs Illinois All-Star Baseball Team
- **Ayden Dye**
- **Ayden Waters**

Becky Esrock- Stifel was in attendance to share the loan documents to borrow the final \$875,000 for the voter approved Vision 20/20 projects. This lease purchase will cover reimbursement of district fund balances for recently completed phase 4 projects to renovate the MTJH and to pay for the geothermal cooling tower renovation to the system at Mark Twain later this summer/fall. Due to the district's outstanding fund management, data collection processes in place and reliability as a borrower, the district received competitive borrowing rates below 5%. Multiple US companies were competing to loan the district money due to the Insured rating of AA and A+ status through S&P and tax exempt status on the funding.

Jacques Reynolds was in attendance to share the bid results for the geothermal cooling tower renovation project for Mark Twain Junior/Senior High. The bids received were higher than the estimated cost. He offered an option to work with the bidder to modify a few details to lower the cost of the project.

III.4 Administrative Reports (CSIP 1, 2, 3)

Administrative Updates: June 2024

ECSE & Special Education (Ellen Britt):

- Thank you to Mrs. Kara Boleach and Ms. Morgan Bross for continuing to progress our students who will benefit from Extended School Year services this summer!
- Plans are underway for ECSE child find. The district uses Preschool screening results to determine if disabilities are suspected for our students ages 3-5. We also use the screen results to help determine our typical student roster (non-disabled peers) for preschool.

Ralls County Primary (Carey Scherder):

- We had a great end of the year. We celebrated Diagnostic growth with our Bubble bus and students were able to celebrate classroom behavior success with our end of the year BASH. Our Tiger Cub Booster Club purchased the inflatable slide for use during this BASH.
- Summer school has gotten off to a great start. We have just over 190 students enrolled for summer school this year.
- Our staff selected 2 staff members from each hallway to be their voice on the leadership team. This group will help guide the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Our student leadership team chose the theme "Teaming Up For A Great Year" for this next school year. We look forward to having students and staff be an integral part of the day-to-day happenings at RCE!
- Our Tiger Cub Booster Club has enough funds from last year and this year's carnival to purchase additional equipment for the playground.

Ralls County Intermediate (Tricia Moore):

- We had a successful and well attended 5th grade celebration and music program.
- Many 5th grade students showcased their musical talents by singing a solo/duet/small ensemble, bucket drumming skills, as well as playing piano pieces they learned and or composed themselves.
- Each grade celebrated all the students' achievements with our awards programs on the last day of school.
- Our secretaries worked diligently to get all summer school forms returned and students enrolled.
- The custodial staff has been working hard to clean unused classrooms at the elementary.
- New staff has started to move things in as well as volunteering during summer school to get to know students/staff/and the building.

Mark Twain Junior High School (Samantha Krankka)

- YAY to the end of the school year!!
- Students had a great month! The bash trip was successful. They went bowling and to the park for pizza.
- 8th grade students went on their class trip to Sky Zone and then to Pizza Hut for lunch! They had a blast and we had no Injuries =)
- Field day on the last day of school was great! Students participated in both gym and outdoor activities. We also got to eat some tasty treats at the ice cream truck.
- The promotion was a success. Both Tanner and Jared had some amazing speeches!
- Our final dance of the year was a blast! The 7th/8th grade students danced and ate some cupcakes! Great way to eat the hard-working school year!
- We cannot wait to get the school back in shape for next year!!

Mark Twain High School (Deacon Windsor)

- Graduation — WOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- WE have Awesome Teachers/Students at THE Mark Twain!!!!
- Looking forward to Our 2028 Class moving to the HS!!
- Hats off to Our Maintenance/Custodial Team!!!!!!
- School Year ended as well as it ever has – Great job Students and Staff for doing it Right!!
- Mrs. Palmer already has 99% of Students scheduled and entered into the new program for 2024-25!!
- Great job Mrs. Lake for leading the new program and all Secretaries for investing in the change over!!
- Summer work is rolling and Our TEAM is making it happen with PRIDE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- Great to see Our Students on Campus with Coaches/Sponsors making Progress!!
- HS Credit Recovery begins June 4-14.....Mrs. Palmer has contacted all Students that are eligible -----Thanks Mr. Bogue for running the HS Credit Recovery Program!!
- Our Kaleb Ingram is the #1 Seed in the 4-H National Trap Shoot in Nebraska!!!!!!
- NHS Blood Drive June 20th!! Thanks Mrs. Van Cleave for Leading and Students run it!!
- SCHOOL Begins August 21st!!

Facilities, Athletics, & Transportation (Cody McCann):

-Facilities-

- Summer projects are underway

-Athletics/Activities-

- Summer sports are underway
- Weight room is open and going

-Transportation-

- Summer school routes are running smoothly
- Buses are serviced and ready for August
- 24/25 bus routes are done. Have to add new students and adjust accordingly.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

1. Adoption of Agenda/Additions to Agenda (No Closed Session needed)
2. Minutes, Bills & Treasurer's Report

Jason Litter motioned to approve the consent items as presented, Pete Hilgenbrinck seconded. Motion carried 4-0

V. SPECIAL REPORTS

1. MSBA Delegate Report – The link for the monthly video report was shared with board members.

VI. ITEMS FOR DECISION

VI.1 Resolution approving a project under Section 177.088 RsMO, as amended, and authorizing the District to enter into a lease purchase transaction to finance the project. (CSIP 3.3)

Becky Esrock, Stifel was in attendance to initiate the borrowing process for \$875,000 in lease purchase certificates.

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to adopt the resolution entitled as follows,

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROJECT UNDER SECTION 177.088 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING RALLS COUNTY R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A LEASE PURCHASE TRANSACTION RESULTING IN THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION, SERIES 2024, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE USED TO PAY COSTS OF THE PROJECT BENEFITTING THE DISTRICT; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE AFORESAID

Kathleen Barnett seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

AYE: Ritchie Palmer, Pete Hilgenbrinck, Jason Liter, Kathleen Barnett

NAY:

VI.2 Facility Change Orders/Bid Specifications (CSIP 3.3)

- A. Geothermal Cooling Tower bid specifications- Architect Jacques Reynolds shared the bid results from this afternoon's 2 p.m. bid opening.
 - a. Integrated Facility Solutions (IFS)- Columbia, MO \$499,950.00
 - b. Peters Heating & Air Conditioning- Hannibal, MO \$633,955
- B. Football Stadium Sound System- Cody McCann has obtained two bids for sound system replacement at the football stadium (from May meeting) Cody was not in attendance and shared the following update prior to the meeting. Neither installer is available prior to the fall football season. In-house work will need to take place to repair the speaker(s). We got into the walls of the press box and will find speakers to replace our current speakers. Matt has an idea of how to run the wires to make them more accessible. The speakers will be mounted on the top of the press box.
 - a. Two Guys Music, LLC \$19,334.00
 - b. Sound Solutions \$22,812.29
- C. Bleacher Inspection/Renovation Plan-Cody McCann was not in attendance, he shared the following update prior to the meeting Mr. Brewer stopped by and we walked and talked about the bleachers.
 - 1. We will demo the railing all the way around the bleachers and it will be replaced by them with new posts and fencing. Us demoing the rails will save some money.
 - 2. They will make new plates for the bleacher seats. There will be two plates for each brace and they will sandwich the bleachers between them. The bleachers will be bolted together instead of clamped.
 - 3. The ramp on the far side will be replaced with stairs. They will use the existing planks as the stair treads. We will have to do some back filling in the wash out underneath the ramp.

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to table the Geothermal Cooling Tower Bids until the regular July meeting, seconded by Jason Liter, carried 4-0

Michael Boling arrived at 7:13 p.m.

Kathleen Barnett motioned to table Facility changes B and C until the regular July meeting, seconded by Jason Liter, carried 5-0

VI. 3 Surplus List (CSIP 3.1)

A surplus list has been generated with assistance from all employees. The items may be sold or given away depending on the value of individual items.

Jason Liter motioned to accept the surplus list as presented with permission for the Superintendent to dispose of or sell items, seconded by Kathleen Barnett, carried 5-0.

VI.4 Bids (CSIP 3.3)

- A. ChromeBook 1:1 Replacement Bidding (300 units)
 - a. The Fantastechs \$84,354.00
 - b. Data Center Warehouse \$85,137.00
 - c. GovConnection, Inc. \$86,635.91
 - d. World Wide Technology \$96,003.00
- B. Food Service: Pizza
 - a. Pizza Hut- \$1.16 per entree
 - b. Tony's French Bread Pizza- \$1.13 per entree

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to approve the bid for 300 chrome books from Fantastechs for \$84,354, seconded by Kathleen , motion carried 5-0.

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to approve the bid from Pizza Hut to provide pizza for the 2024-2025 school year, seconded by Jason Liter, motion carried 5-0.

VI.5 MSBA Policy Update 2024A

Policy EHBD Artificial Intelligence Use has been prepared from MSBA for approval. The policy was reviewed by the Superintendent and two Board Members.

Kathleen Barnett motioned to approve the policy as presented seconded by Jason Liter, motion carried 5-0.

VI.6 2024-2025 Budget

The budget now includes accurate to date salary and benefit expenditures. The budget continues to be conservative with revenues until the state budget is passed and signed by the Governor. The presented and approved budget contains revenue of \$10,161,500 and expenditures of \$10,632,187.

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to approve the budget for 2024-2025 as presented, seconded by Jason Liter, motion carried 5-0.

VI.7 Depository & Finance Authorized Users

A new bank signature card will need to be authorized for Royal Banks of Missouri and HNB Bank effective July 1, 2024.

Kathleen Barnett motioned to approve the following for bank check signers: Pete Hilgenbrinck, Jason Liter, and David Koogler as well as David Koogler and Julie Cragen for banking communication, direct deposits, payroll authorization and wire transfer authorizations, seconded by Michael Boling, motion carried 5-0.

VI.8 Fund Transfers and Close Out 2023-2024 Budget

Final allowable transfers are not available from DESE at this time only preliminary amounts are available.

A Fund 1 to Fund 4 Transfer is estimated to be \$359,946

A Transportation Transfer is estimated to be \$150,183

The budget needs to be closed out with a statement that all budgetary amounts will be matched to actual expenditures and revenues.

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to approve the allowable transfers and to close out the 2023-2024 budget with all expenditures and revenues equaling actual amounts, seconded by Kathleen Barnett, motion carried 5-0.

VII. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

VII.1 Handbook Revisions

Handbook revisions were reviewed and will be included in the 2024-2025 handbooks.

VII.2 Student Data Report (CSIP)

The student data report for 2023-2024 was shared with the Board of Education for review.

VII.3 School Health Advisory

Nurse Robyn Anderson shared information from the School Health Advisory and a report of accidents for the year.

VIII. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Attendance Report (CSIP 2.3)
2. Food Service Report (CSIP 3.3)
3. Transportation Report (CSIP 3.3)

Pete Hilgenbrinck motioned to approve the July regular meeting and adjusting the date to Wednesday, July 17th at 7pm and all meetings held in the interim, Jason Liter seconded. Motion passed (5-0).

Kathleen Barnett made a motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m., seconded by Michael Boling s, motion passed 5-0.

President

Secretary