

Ray-Pec School Board Update
Regular monthly meeting
June 22, 2017

This is a summary of the Ray-Pec Board of Education meeting on Jun 22, 2017. This is an unofficial record. The official minutes of each board meeting are posted at:

<http://www.boarddocs.com/mo/rpsd/Board.nsf/Public>

The June 22 meeting included a construction update, an Activities/Athletics report, & approval of the 2017-2018 budget.

Recognition

The Board recognized choir students who earned an exemplary ("1") rating at the Missouri State high School Solo and Ensemble Contest:

- Tayler Bates, Vocal Solo
- Malone Blaich, Vocal Solo
- Katie Clewell, Vocal Solo
- Kylie Hansen, Vocal Solo
- Talmage Kelley, Vocal Solo
- Sam Reicher, Vocal Solo
- Sarah Scott, Vocal Solo
- Valiante Waltz, Vocal Solo
- Song Waltz, Chely Stratton, and Sarah Scott – Junior Girls Trio

The Board recognized Ray-Pec track and field athletes for earning All-State medals in six events at the state track and field meet May 26 and 27 at Jefferson City High School. Congratulations to:

- Chris McKinzy, state champion in the 110 meter hurdles and seventh place in the triple jump.
- Marissa Dick, Miranda Dick, Laurana Mitchell, and Makenzie Stucker, fourth place in the 4x800 meter relay.
- Miranda Dick, fourth place in the 3200 meter race and sixth place in the 1,600 meter race.
- Tyler Musgrave, sixth place in the 3200 meter race.

During its June 22 meeting, the School Board was recognized for receiving two prestigious state-level awards from the Missouri School Boards' Association. The Board was one of only 16 boards statewide selected as an Outstanding Board of Education for 2017 and was one of 24 boards to receive the 2017 Governance Award. The Board was one of only six Boards statewide to receive both awards this year. In addition, Board Member Ryan Wescoat was recognized for completing two higher levels of certification through the Board Member Certification Program of the Missouri School Boards' Association. Over the past year, Wescoat achieved both the Advanced and Master levels of certification.

Budget for 2017-2018

The Board approved a budget for 2017-2018 that continues to reflect the District's primary focus of Student Success. The budget includes the expansion of the Project Lead the Way program and early childhood education, as well as the purchase of math curriculum resources. The budget includes funds for capital improvements to support the District-wide reorganization, and also includes enhancements to salaries and benefits for staff. Review the budget document: <http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/DocumentCenter/View/13581>

Construction update

Patrick Smith with incite Design Studio presented an update on construction taking place throughout the District: <http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/DocumentCenter/View/13587>

Construction change orders

The Board approved 12 change orders related to construction. One change order with the playground installation project added an expense of \$12,504.25 for a change in sequence of site work and additional concrete work at Shull Early Learning Center. Three changes orders were related to the elementary remodeling project: reuse of doors, hardware and carpet (credit of \$9,998), two additional days for late start date (no cost), and window modifications at Shull (credit of \$528).

Eight change orders were related to the high school construction project. One change order for Phase I of the project added an expense of \$2,490.98 for additional concrete in the north parking lot.

Seven change orders were for Phase II of the project:

- Replacement of ceiling in kitchen prep area (\$11,959)
- Additional columns on staircase (\$4,112)
- Noise mitigation in art rooms (\$2,660)
- Landscaping allowance (credit of \$15,000)
- Add VCT to new choir room (\$2,658)
- Additional electrical cost (\$12,077)
- Additional CMU and sink/plumbing repairs (\$8,345)

Athletics/Activities Program Update

In his annual program update, Activities Director Tom Kruse provided data reaffirming that the grades of students involved in a sport or activity continue to be higher than the grades of students who do not participate in an activity.

Here is a comparison of cumulative GPA averages during 2016-2017:

- 3.37 for students who participate in band.
- 3.32 for students who participate in drama.
- 3.27 for students who participate in scholar bowl.
- 3.08 for students who participate in athletics.
- 2.93 for students who participate in choir.
- 2.89 for all students enrolled at the high school.
- 2.66 for students who do not participate in a sport or activity.

Nearly 1,000 students at Ray-Pec High School were involved in one or more sports or activities during 2016-2017. In addition, more than 600 students were members of a student club, including the new Technology Student Association, which had students compete at the state level and one winning a state championship. Through special activities, Ray-Pec teams, clubs, and organizations raised more than \$63,315 for cancer charities, Special Olympics, and other causes. See the entire presentation: <http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/DocumentCenter/View/13580>

Committee assignments

The Board approved a list of committee assignments for 2017-2018:

- Finance-Audit: Ryan Wescoat and Kim York
- Citizen Advisory: Paul Coffman and Susan Edmonsond
- Curriculum Review: Kim York
- Innovation: Maria Davies and Ruth Johnson
- MSBA Delegate: Ruth Johnson
- MSBA Alternate: Ryan Wescoat
- Policy Review: Kim Bailey and Ryan Wescoat
- Professional Development: Susan Edmonsond and Ruth Johnson
- Strategic Plan: Kim Bailey, Ruth Johnson, and Kim York
- Team Ray-Pec: Maria Davies and Ryan Wescoat
- Wellness: Paul Coffman

Other action

In other action, the Board:

- Approved the purchase of 25 Anywhere AC Plut T and 21 Anywhere AC Mini carts from SHI for \$30,820. The carts will be used for Chromebooks and iPads used in first and second grade classrooms.
- Approved awarding a contract to All System for alarm system upgrades and monitoring services for the 2017-2018 school year with an option to renew each year up to four years.
- Approved the 2016-2017 final bus routes.
- Approved meeting dates for the 2017-2018 school year.

Superintendent comments

Dr. Kari Monsees commended the Board for its dedication to service and for earning the awards presented at the meeting.

He thanked legislators for fully funding the school foundation formula.

He reported on a bid openings for the next phase of the School Road project, and assured the Board and public that the District would make temporary traffic adjustments as needed during the project.

He noted that summer work continues throughout the District. The efforts include moving furniture and supplies, cleaning, renovation, and completion of summer School.

He shared that he attended the ribbon cutting to celebrate the opening of Centerview in Raymore. He also shared “I Love Raymore” buttons with Board members to show support for the Raymore Historical Society.

Board member comments

Board Member Ruth Johnson said the final legislative meeting for Cass County Kids First went well. She also attended the Centerview ribbon cutting. She thanked all District staff for the work being completed over the summer.

Board Member Ryan Wescoat said he planned to attend progress meetings about the School Road project. He thanked fellow Board members for the discussion at the annual Retreat. He also thanked the staff for its support of the Board.

Board President Kim Bailey also thanked staff, and was complimentary of how the Board is working as a team.

Board policies

The Board approved these policies:

- ADF – District Wellness Program
- BBE – School Board Vacancy
- GBL – Personnel Records
- GBLB – References
- GCPD – Suspension of Professional Staff Members
- GDPD – Suspension of Support Staff Members
- GDPE – Nonrenewal and Termination of Support Staff Members
- IGCE – District-Sponsored Instruction Options
- IKF – Graduation Requirements
- JCB – Intradistrict Transfers
- JCC – Interdistrict Transfers
- JFCL – A+ Schools Program
- JO – Student Records

To review these or any other Board policy, go here:

https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/SB_ePolicy/SB_PolicyOverview.aspx?S=80000

Consent agenda

The Board approved the consent agenda, which included the business report, surplus bid report, and minutes for the May 25 regular monthly meeting and the May 31 Joint Cities meeting. You may view these reports at: <http://www.boarddocs.com/mo/rpsd/Board.nsf/Public>

To view the personnel report (hirings, resignations and retirements), go here:
<http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/1167/Personnel-News-June-2017>. These items are considered during the closed session of the meeting, and made public afterward.

Updates

- Regular school board meeting, 6 p.m. closed and 7 p.m. open session, Thursday, July 27, at the Ray-Pec Administrative Services Center.