

BOARD BRIEFS

Todd Terrill, Superintendent

January 11, 2017

Oath of Office

Karen Scalf, Chief Financial Officer, administered the Oath of Office to Deborah Moore and Brad Walton. Ms. Moore and Mr. Walton's term of office is Jan. 2017 – Dec 31, 2020.



Reorganization of the Board of School Trustees

Election of Officers

Board Meeting Dates

Appointments

Approval of All Existing Policies and Guidelines

Work Session

Update on Educational Facility Master Planning

The board discussed the Facility Master Planning and next steps. The board determined a special session would be the best way to address questions, concerns and to discuss ideas more in depth. The Educational firms that have submitted proposals will be invited to the meeting to take questions from the board.

Consent Items

- ◆ Approval of Minutes
- ◆ Human Resources
- ◆ Accounts Payable



Board Reports/Old Business

REA/Board meeting follow up. Board President Dixie Robinson informed the board and administration that she would like to begin scheduling the meeting ideas that came from the REA/Board meeting. Mr. Terrill will discuss this with Kelley McDermott. More details on events, times and dates will be brought back to the board.

Weather: Rob Tidrow, Chief Operations Officer, discussed the unusual weather for the morning of January 11th. Ice started forming on streets and walkways after the time had passed to make the call of a delay or cancellation. Mr. Tidrow also explained the school closing/delay process and who is involved in making the final decision.

Mr. Terrill shared the importance of community members shoveling their sidewalks; this can play a major role in the safety of our students walking to school.

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Adjournment/Bell Ringer

Aaron Stevens read a card that he received from Linda Morgason. Ms. Morgason expressed her appreciation for the plaque that she received from the board. The board members expressed their gratitude for Ms. Morgason and all she has done for Richmond Community Schools.

Professional Development Day (PD Day) was held on January 6th at the High School for all RCS teachers. Over 50 sessions were available for the teachers. The day was a great success, the buy in from the teachers and the excitement was amazing. The sessions offered were all led by our own RCS employees. Thanks to all who presented and a special thanks to Chuck Reynolds, Rob Tidrow and their staff that worked very diligently putting a great day of blended learning together.

The Ben Davis Giant Speakers Tournament was held Saturday, January 7th. Chithra Vedantam was champion in Impromptu and Informative Speaking and was the Top (or Best) Overall Speaker, beating a 2-time reigning State Champion by 1 point. She was also a finalist in Original Oratory and Discussion.

Christian Sharits was also a champion in Discussion, and Freshman Gabby Martinez was a finalist in Original Performance. There were also several semi-finalists.

Mr. Swango, High School English Teacher, is the Speech and Debate Team Sponsor. Congratulations to the entire Speech/Debate team.



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WU: What's one new idea that you'd like to try in your classroom 2nd Semester?



Upcoming Meeting and Events
Tournament season is approaching, Mr. Terrill encouraged the board members to attend as many RCS events as possible.