

Proceeding of the Remsen-Union Community School Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting
September 11, 2018
Called to order at 6:30 P.M. – MMCRU Media Center, Remsen, IA

Board members present: Sara Krier, Jim Miller, Mike Sparr and Robin Weiler. Absent Chris Poeckes. Superintendent Dan Barkel and principal Toby Young were also present. Also present was the MMC School Board.

It was moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

It was moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 13, 2018, financial reports, and bills allowed for payment. Motion carried.

Board Secretary Leonard, acting temporary chairperson, took charge of the meeting and opened the floor for nominations for President.

Chris Poeckes and Robin Weiler were nominated for President. With no more nominations motion to close nominations. Motion carried.

Chris Poeckes and Robin Weiler each received 2 votes. Since it was a tie this will be tabled until the next meeting.

The floor was opened for nominations for Vice President.

Robin Weiler was nominated. As there was no more nominations motion to close nominations. Motion carried

Robin Weiler will be the Vice President and was given the oath of office.

Mike Sparr again took charge of the meeting.

Motion that the regular board meeting will be held jointly between the RU and MMC boards on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. to be alternated between Remsen and Marcus. Special meeting can be called with the approval of the board President. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Clint Leonard as board secretary and treasurer. Motion carried.

The Board President administered the oath of office to the Board secretary/Treasurer.

Lyle Schwartz with McPherson & Jacobson gave an overview of the roles and expectations of the board and superintendent. He also gave points for both groups to be effective members of the team.

Motion to approve Barry or Chad Thompson of Thompson, Phipps and Thompson as the school attorney with Craig Bauerly of Trotz and Bauerly, PLC as alternate if the board deems there is a need. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Remsen Bell Enterprise as the official newspaper. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Iowa State Bank and the American Bank as depositories for the school district deposits with a limit of (3) million dollars for Iowa State Bank and (1) million for the American Bank. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Level I investigators to be the building principal and school nurse and the Level II would be the local police department. Motion carried with a roll call vote as follows: Krier AYE, Miller AYE, Sparr ABSTAIN and Weiler AYE.

Motion to approve Mr. Young as the 504 coordinator. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Kayla Foresman as the Homeless Liaison coordinator. Motion carried.

Motion to approve Chris Poeckes as the IASB Delegate. Motion carried with a roll call vote as follows: Weiler AYE, Krier ABSTAIN, Miller AYE and Sparr AYE.

Barry Thompson joined the meeting and gave an overview of what is involved in the process of selling land.

Sammy Choda spoke on the land he would like to purchase and a discussion followed. He was given information about what he would need to do for the next step in the process.

Motion to move forward with looking at selling the land. Motion carried with a roll call vote as follow: Krier NAY, Miller AYE, Sparr AYE and Weiler AYE.

Motion to accept the resignation of Dian Bush as a Para-Professional. Motion carried..

Motion to approve hiring Kelsey Carpenter, Rhonda Bottjen, Josie Jones and Carrie Siepka as Para Professionals. Motion carried.

An early graduation request was reviewed but no action was taken, as this was a MMC item.

The MMC bus barn bids were reviewed but no action was taken, as this was a MMC item.

Motion to appoint Chris Poeckes and Sara Krier to a building committee between the RU and MMC districts. Motion carried.

The Principals gave their reports.

The Superintendent gave his report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m. Motion carried.

Reports and documents and the full text of motions considered by the board at this meeting are on file in the Board Secretary Office.