

Ray-Pec School Board Update
Regular monthly meeting
July 27, 2017

This is a summary of the Ray-Pec Board of Education meeting on July 27, 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>

Lots of finishing details are taking place to complete the construction and renovation projects and prepare for the opening of school. This was the message that Patrick Smith of incite Design Studio shared with the Board during a construction update on July 27.

The Board also heard a review of health services, approved School Resource Officer agreements with the cities of Peculiar and Raymore, and approved the revised 2017-2018 budget.

Recognition

The Board recognized Teacher of the Year Dan Garrison for being selected a Regional Teacher of the Year.

The Board honored Ray-Pec Theatre students for winning the state championship in Readers Theatre for the performance of "Me and Earl and the Dying Girl" at the 2017 Missouri State High School Activities Association speech, debate, and theatre tournament earlier this year. Participants were: Macee Blair, Tevin Chavez, Erica Theiling, Austin Moulder, Ian Haston, Kelley Shanahan, Riley Linn, Valiante Waltz, Isabelle Burton, Trevor Diepenbrock, Peter Dyreng, Courtney Farr, Parker Hauptmann, India Kittrell, Noah Lampson, Cameron Perry, Dalton Russell, Allison Trageser, and Song Waltz.

The School Board on July 27 recognized students who graduated in May 2017 with an International Baccalaureate Diploma. This was the first year for Ray-Pec High School to have student graduate with an IB Diploma. The graduates are: Connor Woodward, Malone Blaich, Lilly Carroll, Zachary Newman, Benjamin Osborne, Dalton Gilmore, Austin Moulder, Jacob Shriner, Grant Bosley, Jordan Doss, Samantha Heggem, Jesse Turos, and Audrey Wartens.

Tax Levy Hearing

The Board voted to schedule a public hearing about the proposed tax levy for 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, just before the August monthly business meeting.

Budget for 2017-2018

The Board approved the revised 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 the use of remaining 2016 Bond Funds and additional District reserves to complete the facility improvements outlined in the Long Range Facility Plan.

Review the budget document: <http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/DocumentCenter/View/13884>

Here is a one-page Budget Preview of fast facts: <http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/DocumentCenter/View/13885>

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/13881>. Finishing details are taking place, including signage, final cleaning, and touch-up painting.

Construction change orders

The Board approved 17 change orders related to construction.

Six change orders, with a net total expense of \$73, 332 were for Phillips Paving:

- Additional concrete and asphalt at South Middle School, \$7,527
- Additional milling at South Middle School, and additional quantity of connector road, \$6,697
- Full-depth repair of south connector road, \$10,064
- Leveling course at south parking lot of high school, \$17,746
- Removing and replacing concrete approach at Administrative Services Center entrance, \$25,063
- Replacement 60 feet of sidewalk at Commons entrance, \$5,235 (Crossland will credit \$2,617)

One change order with the elementary renovation work by Wilcott added an expense of \$955 for additional grab bars at Shull Early Learning Center to meet ADA guidelines.

Three change orders were related to work performed by J.A. Lillig Excavating:

- Additional curbing on north side to cover footings, \$2,901.88
- Asphalt index pricing, \$7,030.64
- Tie existing gutter into underground storm system, \$5,858

Six change orders were for Crossland Construction Company's work related to the high school construction project:

- Concession stand epoxy floor demolition, \$1,250
- Lintel patch in patio commons and painting under stairs in northeast stairwell, \$2,527
- Plumbing items, \$4,644
- Curb on north side of high school, credit of \$1,300
- Electric items, \$3,915
- Door items, \$12,163

One change order for Progressive Electronics added an expense of \$1,352 to provide and install 67 power strips.

Health Services Program Update

Nurse Supervisor Jennifer Johnson provided an update on health services throughout the District. She shared health room statistics, including the numbers of students seen daily, the numbers of medications dispensed, and numbers of students with allergies. She noted that nurses continue to receive training in concussion management, and have also begun training to become trauma-sensitive. See the entire presentation: <http://www.raypec.k12.mo.us/DocumentCenter/View/13882>.

Other action

In other action, the Board:

- Approved School Resource Officer agreements with the City of Peculiar and the City of Raymore, and a School Security Event Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Peculiar for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Approved a base bid of \$21,975 from Rosehill Gardens for irrigation system repair at Ray-Pec East Middle School.
- Approved the KCP&L easement behind Shull Early Learning Center.
- Approved the land lease at Ray-Pec East Middle School with L.C. Briggs Turf Farm.

Superintendent comments

Dr. Kari Monsees announced that dedication ceremonies are planned for Thursday, Aug. 17. A ceremony will take place at 5:30 p.m. on the playground at Shull Early Learning Center and at 6:15 p.m. at the library media center at Ray-Pec High School. A high school open house from 6:30 to 8 p.m. will follow the ceremony.

He noted that work is set to begin within the next week or so for the next phase of the School Road project. The section from 211th St. to the fire station will be closed first. He assured the Board and public that the District would make temporary traffic adjustments as needed during the project. The District plans to share detour maps at Central Registration.

As of July 27, approximately 40 percent of families have completed forms and submitted proof of residency to obtain a FAST PASS for registration. Central Registration is scheduled for Aug. 2 and 8 at Ray-Pec East Middle School.

He also said that some rumors had been shared that the District would delay the start of school due to construction. That is just a rumor. School will start on time on Aug. 23.

Board member comments

Board Member Ruth Johnson shared information from the Missouri School Boards' Association and said that some details related to the Outstanding Board of Education award will change. Ray-Pec has received the award for the past three years.

Board Vice President Kim York said that the Ray-Pec Public School Foundation has begun planning for the 2018 Gala, scheduled for Feb. 24, at the new Centerview facility in Raymore.

Board Member Ryan Wescoat suggested ways to add a celebratory feel to Convocation, the time when all District employees gather to start the school year.

Board Member Susan Edmonson expressed thanks for local law enforcement agencies using school facilities to conduct training.

Board President Kim Bailey said that the Board was committed to doing everything in its power to bring employee salaries to a competitive level.

Board policy

Policy BBFA – (Board Member Conflict of Interest and Financial Disclosure) was presented for a first reading. To review this 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 June 14 Board retreat and the June 22 regular monthly 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/1180/Personnel-News-July-27-2017>. These items are considered during the closed session of the meeting, and made public afterward.

Updates

- Registration, Aug. 2 and 8
- Convocation, Aug. 16.
- First day of school, Aug. 23.
- Regular school board meeting, 6 p.m. closed and 7 p.m. open session, Thursday, Aug. 24, at the Ray-Pec Administrative Services Center.