

Ray-Pec School Board Update
Regular monthly meeting
July 25, 2019

This is a summary of the Ray-Pec Board of Education meeting on July 25, 2019. 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 Board hired a company to conduct a demographic study. The Board also set Aug. 22 as the date for a public hearing on the tax levy.

Recognition

The Board recognized Ella Schnake for winning the national championship in Program Oral Interpretation. She was unable to attend the meeting

The Board recognized 2019 RPHS graduate Katelynn Jungling. Katelynn won the gold medal in firefighting at the Missouri SkillsUSA competition. She was the first female student to ever win the state title in that event. She qualified for the national SkillsUSA competition, where she received a \$1,000 scholarship.

The recognized Audrey Huffman for placing third in the nation in Impromptu Speaking at the FBLA Awards of Excellence Program on July 2. Huffman competed against approximately 200 finalists in her event. She will be a sophomore this fall at Ray-Pec High School.

The Board recognized eight students from the Class of 2019 who completed requirements for the International Baccalaureate Diploma: Sydney Bearden, Kathryn Clewell, Julia Fenaroli, Jenna Forester, Mallory Levens, Cecelia Moss, Jacob Scott, and Tammy Yang.

Demographer

The Board approved a proposal from RSP in the amount of \$13,500 to partner with the District to complete an enrollment analysis. The analysis will be used as the District goes through a Long-Range Facility Planning Process this school year to plan for growth.

Tax hearing

The Board scheduled the tax levy hearing for 6:45 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, just before the regular meeting. State law requires at least one public hearing to be held on the proposed tax rate prior to the Board's approval of the tax rate.

Superintendent comments

Dr. Kari Monsees said that the first day of registration went great, with about 100 new families enrolling students. He estimated that total enrollment might be near 6,500 students. He thanked staff and parents for all the efforts to prepare for the new school year. He reminded the Board that new teachers

would report on Aug. 2 and that the All-Staff Convocation is Aug. 7. Preview Day for incoming kindergartners, 6th graders, and 9th graders is scheduled for Aug. 12, and the first day of school is Aug. 14.

Board member comments/committee reports

(Here is a summary of comments by Board members)

President Ruth Johnson said she enjoyed helping at registration.

Board Member Kim York said she liked seeing the IB diploma candidates at the meeting.

Consent agenda

The Board approved the [consent agenda](#), which included the finance report, contract approval, surplus bid report, and minutes for the June 13 Board Retreat and the June 27 regular monthly board meeting.

View the [personnel report](#) (hirings, resignations and retirements). These items are considered during the closed session of the meeting, and made public afterward.

Updates

- Registration, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. July 30 at Ray-Pec South Middle School.
- First day of school, Aug. 14.
- Joint Cities meeting, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21, City of Raymore hosting.
- Regular school board meeting, 6 p.m. closed and 7 p.m. open session, Thursday, Aug. 22, at the Administrative Services Center. The meeting is open to the public.