

Ray-Pec School Board Update
Regular monthly meeting
Aug. 22, 2019

This is a summary of the Ray-Pec Board of Education meeting on Aug. 22, 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 heard a report on the District's Long Range Facility Plan. The Board approved the assessment plan for 2019-2020 and approved a proposal from the Missouri School Boards' Association to assist in the search for a new superintendent.

Recognition

The Board honored Senior Ella Schnake for winning the national championship in Program Oral Interpretation at the National Speech and Debate tournament. Her piece was titled "Debate Like a Girl."

The Board honored the Ray-Pec Technology Department for winning the first ever MOTechTalk Technology Department Excellence Award. The award was announced in July at the MOTechTalk conference in Osage Beach, Mo. The conference for school technology personnel covered topics including networking, servers, security, and best practices.

Long Range Facility Planning

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Bryan Pettengill provided a Long-Range Facility Plan update to the Board at its Aug. 22, 2019, meeting. The District is beginning the process to update its Long-Range Facility Plan. The District is contracting with a demographer to provide growth projections. A planning committee will soon be established to review data and consider facility options for the future. Read the [Long-Range Facility Plan update](#)

Superintendent search

As one of the first steps in finding a new superintendent for the District, the Board voted to approve a proposal from the Missouri School Boards' Association to assist in the search process. Superintendent Dr. Kari Monsees is retiring at the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

A subcommittee of the Board considered proposals from three search firms and then recommended the proposal from MSBA to the entire Board for approval. One part of the MSBA search procedure is the collection of input from a variety of stakeholders about the characteristics desired in the next superintendent. The District also utilized the search services of MSBA in 2012 when Dr. Monsees was hired.

Assessment Plan

The Board approved the [2019-2020 Assessment Plan](#). The plan lists the assessments given at each grade level to determine what students know and are able to do. This includes the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP), End-of-Course exams, early childhood assessments, the pre-kindergarten screening,

Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) assessments, ACT, Advanced Placement exams, International Baccalaureate, Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, and more.

Peculiar Roof Project

The Board approved a budget transfer to Capital Projects and accepted a proposal through the National IPA Cooperative to complete the roof repair on a section of the roof at Peculiar Elementary School. The cost is \$185,763.66.

Superintendent comments

Dr. Kari Monsees said Districtwide enrollment is nearing 6,500 students. He also spoke about upcoming activities.

Board member comments/committee reports

(Here is a summary of comments by Board members)

Board Member Paul Coffman said that he helped “chalk the walk” at Bridle Ridge Elementary School.

Board President Ruth Johnson helped at Eagle Glen Elementary.

Consent agenda

The Board approved the [consent agenda](#), which included the finance report, contract approval, surplus bid report, and minutes for the July 25 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

- Board work session, 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, at the Administrative Services Center.
- Regular school board meeting, 6 p.m. closed and 7 p.m. open session, Thursday, Sept. 19, at the Administrative Services Center. The meeting is open to the public.