The Randolph Southern School Corporation Board of School Trustees met for a regular meeting Monday, December 14, 2015 at 7:35 PM in the Elementary Cafeteria. The following members were present:

Keith Hart, President Eric Retter, Vice President Patricia E. Tillson, Secretary Michael Miller, Member

## II. DEC 2015

Michael Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of November 9, 2015 as presented. Patricia Tillson seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

#### V.12. DEC 2015

Patricia Tillson made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable Vouchers 1029 - 1151 for General Fund; Capital Projects; Transportation; Misc./Gifts/Bequests; Drug Free Community; School Technology Fund; High Ability 2015-16p; Title I 2015-16; Special Ed 2015-16; Title II Part A 2014-15; REAP 2015-16; Clearing; and Payroll. November Cash Balance was \$260,919.67. Michael Miller seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

## VI.A.36 DEC 2015

Michael Miller made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to make year-end transfers within each fund so that no line item has a negative balance. Eric Retter seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

## VI.A.37 DEC 2015

Patricia Tillson made a motion to pay year-end accounts payable vouchers prior to December 31, 2015. (A separate docket will be presented for board approval on January 11, 2016.) Michael Miller seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

# VI.A.38 DEC 2015

Michael Miller made a motion to authorize the Treasurer to make the following transfers to the Rainy Day Fund:

- a. Transportation Fund to Rainy Day Fund up to but not to exceed \$80,000.00.
- b. School Bus Replacement Fund to Rainy Day Fund up to but not to exceed \$50,000.00.

c. Capital Projects Fund to Rainy Day Fund up to but not to exceed \$ 80,000.00. Eric Retter seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

## VI.A.39 DEC 2015

Patricia Tillson made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 Head Start Lease Agreement as presented with no changes. Eric Retter seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Bowsman and Mr. Allen discussed the change in the room used for Head Start which helped with student drop-off issues.

## VI.A.40 DEC 2015

Michael Miller made a motion to approve the Extra-Curricular Account (ECA) Managerial Review Contract for RSE and RSHS with Administrator Assistance for \$2250.00. The review will analyze receipts, deposits, purchase order processes, financial compliance, and reconciliation from the last audit to the present. Eric Retter seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

## VI.B.71 DEC 2015

Patricia Tillson made a motion to approve the following extra-curricular positions:

Beth Randall, 4-H Advisor -- \$565.00 Christina Robinson, 4-H Advisor -- \$565.00 Tiffany Bowman, Math Bowl Co-Coach -- \$380.50 Shawna Smith, Math Bowl Co-Coach -- \$380.50 Shawna Smith, Math Bowl Competition Host -- \$258.00.

Michael Miller seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

## VI.D. 16 DEC 2015

Michael Miller made a motion to approve the use of the Elementary Gym and Cafeteria by the Lynn Lions Club on Friday evening, January 29, and all day Saturday, January 30, 2016 for their annual Toy Tractor Show. Proceeds from event will support the club tractor pull and community projects. A Certificate of Liability Insurance is on file. Eric Retter seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

## VI.E. 8 DEC 2015

Michael Miller made a motion to approve the following field trip:

Junior/Senior Class members to Atlanta, GA and St. Augustine, FL from March 30, 2016 through April 4, 2016 using a chartered bus. Mrs. Nikki Knoll and Ms. Tammy Clements are Class Sponsors for the trip.

Patricia Tillson seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

#### VII.A. DEC 2015

In the absence of the Jr./Sr. High School Principal, Mr. Bowsman discussed the following:

- 1. FFA Crops Team won the County Contest and has qualified for the State Contest on December 12<sup>th</sup> at Purdue by placing second in the area contest. Members of the team are: Emma Keesling, Damon Garber, Garrett Alka and Levi Knoll.
- 2. County Basketball Tournament at Monroe Central on January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. Archery Invitational held at RSHS on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Results were First Place for the Jr. High Team and Second Place for the High School Team.
- 4. Swimmer MacKenzie Bales placed first place for RS in the 100 meter freestyle and second in the 50 meter freestyle at the Burris Invitational.

## VII.B. DEC 2015

Mr. Allen handed out NWEA statistics to the board members. He discussed the growth in scores. He stated students are meeting goals already that are goal guidelines for the spring. Some things that are contributing to the positive scores are: fourth, fifth, and sixth grade teachers are collaborating ideas and methods, classes are taking 15-20 minutes per day to do quick math facts, and they are using Fountas and Pinnell to test lower-scoring students and identify help needed, which is boosting reading scores.

Other items discussed by Mr. Allen included:

- 1. Regional Spell Bowl Meet held on November 19<sup>th</sup> with 17 teams participating. RSE placed third with 43 points and was 15<sup>th</sup> in the State.
- 2. Elementary teacher Bethany Fields has been researching forming a Robotic Club. She would like to start the club in January. There are grants available for this type of club and competitions they could attend.

## VIII. DEC 2015

# Mr. Bowsman reported on the following items:

- 1. Staff Christmas Breakfast on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM.
- 2. A-F Grades are currently embargoed. RSSC has filed three appeals with the IDOE and SBOE for Graduation Rate and A-F Grade. We currently have raw scores, but no breakdown to show where strengths and weaknesses are so that teachers can focus on those skills. There are concerns from teachers that kids are clicking through tests to be done quickly.
- 3. Performance Grant Awards and Timeline from the IDOE: release of fund amounts to schools on December 21, 2015, release of funds to be announced by IDOE.
- 4. There was a meeting with Senator Jeff Raatz in November to discuss ISTEP tests and the graduation rate appeal. There are several things impacted by the ISTEP scores: school grade, performance grant, teacher compensation, teacher retention, and community viewpoint. Mr. Allen commented that the Title grants are also affected.
- 5. Maintenance reported included the following possible future projects: HS Gym floor, the elementary intercom, and paving and patchwork on the parking lots. Mr. Bowsman suggested that the corporation consider the possibility of obtaining a utility vehicle for snow removal, maintenance tasks and pulling the marching band trailer.
- 6. Every Child Achieves Act (ESEA Reauthorization) passed the Senate, House and was signed by the President on December 9, 2015. This bill provides more local and state control, reduces federal testing requirements, and eliminates AYP and leaves it up to the states to decide.

# 7. ADM Count official count day -- September 18, 2015. ADM Count --- 2015-2016 Official Count Days are 9/18/15 and 2/1/2016

	5/29	8/6/15	9/18	11/9	12/11		
K(.5)	17 34	39	40	40	41		
1	35	29	29	29	30		
2	38	34	36	36	36		
3	40	39	37	37	38		
4	35	42	42	42	42		
5	41	34	34	34	34		
6	28	44	45	44	44		
Total	234	261	263	262	265		
7	37	31	31	33	32		
8	49	41	41	40	40		
9	53	54	53	51	50		
10	35	54	52	53	50		
11	31	33	35	33	33		
12	45	35	32	31	31		
HS	250	248	244	241	236		
Total							
Elem Total	234/ (25)	261	263	262	265		

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There were no Faculty, Staff, Student or Patron Comments.

Board expressed their support for Mr. and Mrs. Knotts in the illness of their son Tyler and fellow board member Jan Caudle following surgery.

Michael Miller made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 PM. Eric Retter seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

Persons Attending: Daniel Allen and Jodi Miller