

Quick Board Summary

October 15, 2026

Board of Education

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The regular meeting of the Richland County Board of Education was called to order by President Scott Snyder at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2026. Scott Snyder, Jake Anderson, Cindy Bailey, Dusty Kocher, Cindy Lockley and Jeff Wilson were in attendance.

Absent: Dennis Anderson

The meeting was viewable via live stream at <http://live.rccu1.net>.

Recognition and Comments from Employees & Public

1. The board recognized the Early Learning Center as receiving back-to-back ExceleRate Gold Ratings.
2. Tim Anderson, addressed the board on behalf of Tena Anderson, RCHS Para, regarding culture of One Tiger Nation, use of personal cell phones for work, and the new TimeClock Plus System.

Board Comments

1. Mr. Wilson wanted to share the accomplishments of the RCHS Marching Tigers Band at their recent contests. The FFA National Convention is coming up with RCHS sending 8 teams and 3 individuals to compete.
2. Mrs. Bailey shared some great things happening at RCES, such as Positive Attendance Rewards, High Five Fridays, High School students interacting at Elementary for Intro to Teaching and Professional Development for IAR Testing.
3. Mr. Snyder shared the accomplishments for both RCHS and RCMS Cross Country Teams, ELC and Parent Resources, and RCMS Perfect Attendance Class.

Consent Agenda Items – The regular and closed minutes of the September 24, 2026 regular board meeting and October 5, 2026 special board meeting, destruction of the audio recording of March 20, 2025, September FOIA requests, building reports, food service report, transportation report, and fundraiser requests.

Financial Reports - The September financial report was included in the board packet. The monthly bill listing in the amount of \$2,998,013.41 was approved.

Superintendent's Report

1. National School Bus Safety Week – October 19-23.
2. Parent Teacher Conferences – October 20 & 22 (3:30 p.m.-7p.m.).
3. Illinois Principal Appreciation Day – October 23.
4. Veterans Day – November 11 – No School.
5. Illinois School Board Member's Day – November 15.
6. American Education Week – November 16-20.
7. RCES Canopy installation will begin next week.
8. The board will look at other options than advertising in the Chamber of Commerce Community Guide.

The Board of Education met in regular session at
6:00 pm at the
Richland County High School

Assistant Superintendent's Report

1. Houston Meyer and Seth Meyer of GeoSurfaces gave an update on the Athletic Complex.
2. Ryan Fuhler of Poettker Construction gave an update on the Athletic Building.
3. Mr. Rusk reviewed the Current Projects Payments.
4. Mrs. Rodgers gave a slideshow presentation on events happening Inside the Classroom.

Discussion/Action Items

1. Motion Tabled for Holiday Pay/ 3 Inclement Weather Days for Support Staff.
2. Motion Tabled for Selection and Assignment of Board Committees.
3. Motion Failed for the Tentative 2026 Tax Levy.
4. Approved purchase of High Jump and Pole Vault Equipment from Pole Vault STL in the amount of \$37,107.00
5. Approved 2027-2028 Bus Specifications as presented.
6. Approved the Athletic Storage Building Option from GeoSurfaces for a 62' x 26' metal building.

Personnel Matters:

Resignation(s)/Retirement – The board approved the revised letter of intent to retire for Major (Retired) Roy Waldhoff as JROTC Instructor effective at the end of the 2026-2027 school year, the retirement of Christine Borah as Bus Driver effective October 20, 2026, the resignations of Richard Atkins as RCMS Custodian effective October 16, 2026, and Logan Kauble as RCMS 6th Grade Volleyball Coach effective immediately.

Employment – The board approved the employment of Tiffanie Joost as RCMS Custodian effective completion of new hire paperwork.

The board approved the 2026-2027 extra-duty assignment of Alisha Duenas as RCMS 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach and the volunteers of Brock Holloway for RCHS Baseball, Rhett Hancock, Jakoby VanDyke, Tony Holtschlag, Chad Koester, and Ron Hazel for RCHS Bass Fishing, Mark Steber and Braxton Pittman for FFA and Leroy Stallard for FBLa.

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Next regular board meeting:
Tuesday, November 17, 2026