



Minutes - January 17, 2023

Call to Order: Chair Rashkin called the hybrid meeting of the Education & Veterans Committee to order on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 5:01 P.M., in Conference Room N1, Rock County Courthouse East.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Rashkin, Peer, Sutterlin and Clasen.

Committee Members Absent: Supervisor Crary.

Staff Members Present: None.

Others Present: Janesville Schools Superintendent Mark Holzman; Sheila Williams.

Approve Agenda: Supervisor Clasen moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Sutterlin. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None.

Approval of Minutes:

December 20, 2022 Minutes: Supervisor Sutterlin moved approval of the minutes of December 20, 2022 as presented, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action:

Discussion Regarding School Superintendents Updates: Mr. Holzman shared some statistics about the Janesville Schools. Janesville is the tenth largest school district in Wisconsin with 50% of students eligible for free or reduced lunch. He shared some of the same concerns as other districts, such as crises and poverty. He said they have a wonderful working relationship with the Janesville Police Department. They are currently working on trying to get children up to date with vaccinations that fell behind during COVID. Rock County Public Health may be able to help with this. They are also working on recruiting and hiring more diverse staff. Of nearly 1800 staff, 98 to 99% are of white ethnicity. Their goal is for staff ethnicity to match the student population. The committee thanked Mr. Holzman for attending the meeting.

Chair Rashkin asked the committee how they felt about the school updates and would they like to continue with this agenda item. The committee unanimously agreed that the information being shared

is very useful and would like to continue the initiative.

Veterans Office Updates:

CVSO Report: No report today. Mr. Crawford was not in attendance.

Committee Requests: The committee would like to invite Blackhawk Technical College to come back and provide updates on new programs.

Next meeting date and time: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.

Adjournment: Supervisor Sutterlin moved adjournment at 5:35 P.M., second by Supervisor Peer.
ADOPTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tracey VanZandt
Secretary

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